

IMMANUEL CHURCH-ON-THE-HILL

Parish Notes

August 6, 2023

IN THE NAME OF CHRIST we welcome you to Immanuel Church-on-the-Hill!

Immanuel is an Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Virginia, and is part of the world-wide Anglican Communion. Immanuel was founded by the Virginia Theological Seminary. We are one parish that worships in two locations: the Zabriskie Chapel (3606 Seminary Road), and Immanuel Chapel (3737 Seminary Road) on the seminary grounds. Immanuel Chapel offers a fully-staffed nursery for our infant and toddler parishioners.

Visitors are encouraged to fill out a pew card — located in display stands at entrances of the chapels — and give it to an usher, or place in the collection plate. Thank you.

For the latest information on our online worship service and to view a video of our most recent service, please visit our website (www.icoh.net).

PRAY FOR PARISHIONERS: David Atwood, Edith, Natalie Doyle Hennin, Ann and Rollin Huntington, Frances Johnson, Hal Johnson, Joseph, Kenny, Ann MacNamara, Cynthia Morton, Linda and Cy Murphy, Everett Post, Tony Rogers, Catherine Sinclair, Agnes Soos, John Smucker, Norma Taliaferro, Jane Tavernier, and Francine Wargo.

PRAY FOR OUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY: Andrew, Jack Allen, Kathryn Anschutz, Felicia Balzano, Dave and Betsy Fox Berry, Jean Couban, Martha Culleton, Steve Davis, Joseph Fabian, Betty Harris, Louise Jackson, Peter and Joanne, John, Katja, Tom Kellner, Charlotte Kellogg, Joseph and Elaine Kelly, Winnie Kidd, Marcia MacDonald, Stephen Miller, McQuade Milligan, Candy Morgan, Mary Muniz, Shelby Ochs Owen, Paul, Lilly Pinner, Sarah Pollach, Jennie Rae, Michael Rathsack, Rebecca, Jim Rehnke, Sue Rehnke, George Rustigian, Jim Sanford, Connie Smith, Fred Vipperman, Mark Vipperman, Rosemary Wensing, and Ryan Willis.

Pray for those who are celebrating birthdays this week: Leef Barnes, Paul Barnes, Wade Greiner, **Cynthia Dolvin**, Ann Huntington, Mimi Carter, Betsy Perkins, Mable Randolph, Sylvia Glassco, John Schnedl, Cole Wirth, Governor Burke, Jennifer Greiner, Theresa Kliczewski, Andrew Scharnweber, and Martha Taggart.

Serving around the world: Noah Barker, Ian Phillips, Todd Bates, Jason Osborne, Michael Hussey, and Jonathan, Nicole, Alina, and Nolan Anderson.



*Wishing Cynthia Dolvin a very happy
100th Birthday next week!*

SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY BEGINS TODAY: *Listening to the Lessons*

The Rev Dr. Frank Wade, one of our priest associates and author of two books on the Bible, will lead a discussion of the appointed lessons each Sunday in August. Those interested will meet from **9:45 – 10:30 a.m. in the Oratory**, the small side chapel at Immanuel Chapel.

Announcements

WEEKDAY WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Morning Prayer, Tuesday, August 8th, Zabriskie Chapel

Bible Study “*The Gospel of Matthew: Book of the Messiah*”, Thursday, August 10th @10:30 a.m. online via Zoom. Look for login details in your weekly eBlast email.

Evening Compline, Friday, August 11th, 8:30 p.m., Online via Zoom

NEW DATES FOR VIRTUAL TOURS

LEARN MORE ABOUT EX-OFFENDERS TRANSITIONING BACK INTO THE COMMUNITY AND THE WORK OF OAR TO SUPPORT THEM

Offender Aid and Restoration (OAR) is a longstanding Outreach partner of Immanuel, receiving support through our Outreach, Christmas Families, and Social Justice budgets. OAR helps prisoners and their families as they transition out of incarceration. It also administers community service programs to divert people out of the prison system. OAR staff and the people they serve have inspiring stories of lives being changed and hope being restored. You might consider registering online to take a one hour “[Virtual Tour](#)” of OAR and learn what they do. Find this bulletin on our website under the “Worship” tab, click on the blue text above and register for one of the following online virtual tours:

- August 9th @ 12 Noon
- *More dates to come!*

OAR serves Alexandria, Arlington and Falls Church. For more information contact, David Atwood atwooddavid@gmail.com or Jim Snow jamesbsnow@verizon.net.

**NEW EASY WAY TO SIGN UP:
Sign up to Serve in our Sunday Services ONLINE
via Our New SignUp Genius Button**



Would you like to serve as a lay minister? If so, please sign up to serve as a Reader, Intercessor, Usher, Acolyte, Altar Guild, Crucifer and/or Chalice Bearer online via [SignUp Genius](#) for Immanuel by visiting the landing page of our website at www.ICOH.net and clicking on the button above at right.

If you are a first-timer and need training, please contact Agnes at the office on **Wednesdays from 10:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.** (ext. #206), or via email at asoos@icoh.net. Finally, if you need training for a particular ministry, please send a request to sparsons@icoh.net or indicate so next to your name on the sheet. Thank you!

Karen Besser and I - in consultation with Susan Kernan - have decided to take a vacation from the Goodwin House lunch for August. This is just a one month vacation and we'll continue our lunches at Goodwin House in September at the same time and same place.

Thanks so much everyone for spreading the word!

Sending blessings for a glorious summer,

Susan+

UPCOMING SENIOR ADULT MINISTRY AND FELLOWSHIP EVENTS

August 22nd, 12:15 p.m. - Brown Bag Lunch, Zabriskie Parish Hall: In 2017 the Washington National Cathedral removed two stained glass windows that honored Robert E. Lee and Stonewall Jackson and began a process of discerning what should replace those windows. In 2021, Kerry James Marshall was commissioned to design, create and install two new racial-justice themed windows and Dr. Elizabeth Alexander agreed to write a poem to be inscribed alongside the windows. The new windows and poem will be unveiled and dedicated on September 23 and Senior Adult Ministry and Fellowship will be taking a van into Washington to see the new windows in the coming months. Meanwhile, join us in the Parish Hall on Tuesday, August 22, at 12:15 to get a bit of history behind the decision to remove and replace windows in the Cathedral and to hear Cathedral Dean Randy Hollerith and Mr. Marshall talk about this project that has been years in the making.

Luncheon will begin at 12:15pm in the parish hall and our program will start around 12:30. Don't forget to bring your own sandwich or salad and Senior Ministry will provide beverages and dessert. There is no cost for this event and no reservation is required.

August 30th: THE FUTURE IS NOW (and some of it is adorable!) JOIN SENIOR ADULT MINISTRY AND FELLOWSHIP on Wednesday, August 30 to "meet" some technology that is already sharing our world and that we are likely to encounter more frequently in the future. We will start off by going to Mosaic District in Fairfax for a close encounter with an autonomous delivery robot and learn how it works, courtesy of Cartken (the robots' owner) and Eden (the developer of Mosaic). After a Neopolitan pizza lunch at Papatella's, we will go on to the Pohick Branch of the Fairfax Library to see a 3D printer in action, learn how it works, and come away with a 3D souvenir.

Our van will leave Zabriskie parking lot at 11:30am, stopping at Goodwin House-Alexandria. We will plan to return to Zabriskie via Goodwin House, arriving no later than 3:30pm. There will be a \$20 copay to ride in the van and each person will pay for their own lunch in the Mosaic District.



Please RSVP to Karen Besser at Karen.Besser@gmail.com to reserve your seat on the van.

MONTHLY SATURDAY BREAKFAST BIBLE STUDY **AUGUST 19th** @ 8:00 AM Held

Online via Zoom: Join Immanuel's monthly Saturday morning Breakfast Bible Study on Saturday, August 19th, the THIRD Saturday of the month. We will meet via Zoom (find this bulletin on our website under the "Worship" tab, then click on the link below) beginning at 8 AM. Our theme this year is *Freedom*; this month we will read **Isaiah 42:6-9** "*I have made you a covenant of the people...to free captives who live in darkness...*" using the African Model of Reflection. For more information, please visit [our webpage "Breakfast Bible Study"](#), or contact Chrissie Crosby at cmcfaddencrosby@gmail.com.

[Join Zoom Saturday Breakfast Bible Study Meeting](#) / Meeting ID: 959 5450 6553 / Passcode: 027913

CAMPAIGN FOR LEARNING

INGATHERING AND BLESSING OF BACKPACKS and SECOND SPECIAL COLLECTION TODAY

We have provided for all 70 children on our list. Now we need to complete the second part, supporting other organizations to help even more children get the school supplies they need. In the first special collection parishioners contributed \$3,000. On the strength of that result, we sent out disbursements the same as last year, hoping that the second special collection on August 6 will bring the total again to at least \$4,000. Please make checks out to ICOH and mark them *XFAM in August*.

Disbursements were as follows:

- ☆ [Haiti Micah Project](#) \$2,000
- ☆ [Community Lodgings](#) \$1,000
- ☆ [Human Services](#) \$1,000 (Alexandria total \$2,000).

Early disbursement makes our contribution more useful since it enables the receiving organization to plan and get school supplies to children in time. Haiti is in a bad place right now. The more corrupt and dysfunctional the government the more important is the work of the Micah project to help the children who did not have a choice in what country they were born.

Thanks to all who signed up and all who contributed money to help children find the joy in themselves, including the joy of learning, and share that joy in their journey through life.

Come Visit or Join IMMANUEL'S SOCIAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE

All are welcome to join, or simply visit, the parish social justice committee meeting the fourth Tuesday of most months, usually via Zoom and sometimes in person. So far we have organized a range of events and sessions on racial history and reconciliation, incarceration, and other topics; partnered with various other churches and synagogues on these activities as well as on voter registration; and provided support to people in prison or coming out of jail or prison as well as educating ourselves and talking to Virginia legislators about the national Episcopal church's positions on solitary confinement. We would love for you to visit us or join us.

Our next meeting will be **Tuesday, August 22nd** from 7:30-9:00 PM — look for log on information in your weekly eBlast email. Please direct any questions or comments to [Kathryn Jackson Haskin](#) or [David Atwood](#). Thank you.

Do you know what to do in the event of a HEALTH EMERGENCY at church?: After calling 911 as a first step, it is very important that parishioners know where the defibrillators are located — in both Zabriskie and Immanuel chapels — and the first aid kits. At Immanuel Chapel, the defibrillator (AED) is located across from the elevator. The first aid kit is in the floral kitchen. At Zabriskie, the AED is located along the small stairwell going from the chapel (near the organ) up to the parish hall. The first aid kit is in the kitchen.

We hope to reschedule the CPR instruction classes that were cancelled due to the COVID-19 lockdown... Stay tuned!

CLERGY AND STAFF

The Rev. J. Randolph Alexander, Jr. (ralexander@icoh.net) Rector
 The Rev. Susan D. Parsons (sparsons@icoh.net) Associate Rector
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 Gilma Balcarcel Nursery Coordinator
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THE VESTRY

Kristi Kubista-Hovis..... Senior Warden
 Gerry Anderson Junior Warden: Building and Grounds, Creation Care
 Peter Kent Junior Warden: Administration
 Amy Thomas Adult Formation and Discipleship
 Brad Ashton..... Stewardship and Planned Giving
 Mollie Lambert Outreach
 Kathy Lloyd..... Senior Ministry
 Kristi Kubista-Hovis and Kathy Lloyd..... Children Youth and Family Ministries
 Julie Bruns Pastoral Care
 David Atwood Social Justice
 Taylor Houck..... Communications
 Caroline Bergmark Evangelism and Newcomers
 Matt Haskin Worship
 Caroline Bergmark and Taylor Houck Fellowship
 Gabriella Young-Smith Youth Representative (nonvoting member)
 Caroline Bergmark Registrar

SCHEDULE OF SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite I, Zabriskie Chapel
 3606 Seminary Road, Alexandria, VA

10:30 a.m. Godly Play, Side Oratory Chapel
 inside of Immanuel Chapel

10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II, Immanuel Chapel
 3737 Seminary Road, Alexandria, VA

Online

www.immanuel-on-the-hill.org
[Immanuel's YouTube channel](#)

PRIESTS ASSOCIATE

The Rev. Dr. J. Barney Hawkins, IV
 The Rev. Dr. Ruthanna Hooke
 The Rev. Jan A. Maas
 The Rev. John R. Smucker
 The Rev. Dr. Francis H. Wade

RECTOR EMERITA

The Rev. Dr. Margaret Ann (Sam) Faeth



MISSION STATEMENT: Immanuel Church-on-the-Hill is a Christian community in the Episcopal tradition, striving to be in relationship with God and each other as Christ has taught us, actively attempting to sense and to serve God’s plan with great love. We are guided by Mark 16:15: “Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel,” to learn, discern, and proclaim the Good News by being active ministers in the various communities where we live and serve.

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