



# Immanuel Church-on-the-Hill

## Episcopal/Anglican Alexandria, Virginia



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THE NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

August 11, 2019

Holy Eucharist, Rite I, 8:00 a.m.

*Page references are for The Book of Common Prayer.*

*Large Print Prayer Books are available; please request one from an usher.*

*In respect for those wishing to pray before the service begins, the congregation is asked to remain as quiet as possible.*

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### Opening Acclamation

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Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People: *And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen*

### The Collect for Purity

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

### *Kyrie eleison*

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### The Collect of the Day

Grant to us, Lord, we beseech thee, the spirit to think and do always such things as are right, that we, who cannot exist without thee, may by thee be enabled to live according to thy will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

### The First Lesson: Genesis 15:1-6

The word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision, "Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great." But Abram said, "O Lord God, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?" And Abram said, "You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir." But the word of the Lord came to him, "This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir." He brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them." Then he said to him, "So shall your descendants be." And he believed the Lord; and the Lord reckoned it to him as righteousness.

The Word of the Lord

Response: *Thanks be to God.*

*Silence*

### Psalm 33:12-22 *Exultate, justi*

12 Happy is the nation whose God is the Lord! \*  
happy the people he has chosen to be his own!

13 The Lord looks down from heaven, \*  
and beholds all the people in the world.

- 14 From where he sits enthroned he turns his gaze \*  
on all who dwell on the earth.
- 15 He fashions all the hearts of them \*  
and understands all their works.
- 16 There is no king that can be saved by a mighty army; \*  
a strong man is not delivered by his great strength.
- 17 The horse is a vain hope for deliverance; \*  
for all its strength it cannot save.
- 18 Behold, the eye of the Lord is upon those who fear him, \*  
on those who wait upon his love,
- 19 To pluck their lives from death, \*  
and to feed them in time of famine.
- 20 Our soul waits for the Lord; \*  
he is our help and our shield.
- 21 Indeed, our heart rejoices in him, \*  
for in his holy Name we put our trust.
- 22 Let your loving-kindness, O Lord, be upon us, \*  
as we have put our trust in you.

### **The Epistle: Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16**

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible.

By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; and he set out, not knowing where he was going. By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. By faith he received power of procreation, even though he was too old-- and Sarah herself was barren-- because he considered him faithful who had promised. Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, "as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore."

All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth, for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

The Word of the Lord

Response: *Thanks be to God.*

### **The Holy Gospel: Luke 12:32-40**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Luke

Response: *Glory be to thee, O Lord.*

Jesus said to his disciples, "Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure

to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

"Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves.

"But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour."

The Gospel of the Lord

Response: *Praise be to thee, O Christ*

**The Sermon:** Mr. Sam Sheridan, Seminarian

**The Nicene Creed**

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*We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.  
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father.  
Through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven:  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.  
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.  
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.  
He has spoken through the Prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.*

## The Prayers of the People

After the Intercessor says “Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon us,” the congregation responds “*For we put our trust in you.*”

## Confession of Sin and Absolution

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## The Peace

## Welcome and Announcements

# THE HOLY COMMUNION

## The Offertory

## The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer II

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*Sanctus and Benedictus*

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## The Lord’s Prayer

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## The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us

Response: *Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.*

*Agnus Dei*

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*All baptized Christians are welcomed and encouraged to receive Holy Communion.*

*If you wish to receive a blessing, simply cross your arms over your chest.*

*Gluten-free hosts are available on request from the clergy.*

## Post Communion Prayer

*Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.*

## The Blessing

## The Dismissal

## Farewell Coffee Hour



**FAREWELL RECEPTION TODAY during Forum Hour at 9:15 a.m., for Tim and Martha Sedgwick**, faithful members of Immanuel who are moving to Hood River, Oregon. Please plan to attend to give Tim and Martha last hugs and best wishes for the next big adventure in their lives.

**Serving at this Eucharist:** *Acolyte:* Francine Wargo; *Altar Guild:* Diana Walker; *Flower Guild:* C. Kerry Kelly Wade; *Reader:* David Ingold; *Chalice:* Susan Gildersleeve; *Usher:* Candace Quinlan; *Coffee Hosts:* Alisa Biache, Andy Biache; *Vestry Greeter:* Katheryn Haskin; *Vestry Counter:* Keith June; *Audio-Visual:* Mark Fearer; *Celebrant:* The Rev. John Hogg