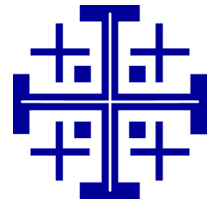




Immanuel Church-on-the-Hill
Episcopal/Anglican
Alexandria, Virginia



THE TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

October 13, 2024

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

Page numbers refer to [The Book of Common Prayer](#).

THE WORD OF GOD

Opening Acclamation

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

People: *And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.*

The Collect for Purity

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Kyrie eleison

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Lord, have mercy upon us. Kyrie eleison.
Christ, have mercy upon us. or Christe eleison.
Lord, have mercy upon us. Kyrie eleison.

The Collect of the Day

Lord, we pray thee that thy grace may always precede and follow us, and make us continually to be given to all good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The First Lesson: Amos 5:6-7,10-15

Seek the Lord and live, or he will break out against the house of Joseph like fire, and it will devour Bethel, with no one to quench it. Ah, you that turn justice to wormwood, and bring righteousness to the ground! They hate the one who reproves in the gate, and they abhor the one who speaks the truth. Therefore, because you trample on the poor and take from them levies of grain, you have built houses of hewn stone, but you shall not live in them; you have planted pleasant vineyards, but you shall not drink their wine. For I know how many are your transgressions, and how great are your sins— you who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe, and push aside the needy in the gate. Therefore the prudent will keep silent in such a time; for it is an evil time. Seek good and not evil, that you may live; and so the Lord, the God of hosts, will be with you, just as you have said. Hate evil and love good, and establish justice in the gate; it may be that the Lord, the God of hosts, will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.

The Word of the Lord

Response: *Thanks be to God.*

Psalm 90:12-17 *Domine, refugium*

- 12 So teach us to number our days *
that we may apply our hearts to wisdom.
- 13 Return, O Lord; how long will you tarry? *
be gracious to your servants.
- 14 Satisfy us by your loving-kindness in the morning; *
so shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our life.
- 15 Make us glad by the measure of the days that you afflicted us *
and the years in which we suffered adversity.
- 16 Show your servants your works *
and your splendor to their children.
- 17 May the graciousness of the Lord our God be upon us; *
prosper the work of our hands;
prosper our handiwork.

The Epistle: Hebrews 4:12-16

The word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account.

Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

The word of the Lord

Response: *Thanks be to God.*

The Holy Gospel: Mark 10:17-31

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

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

As Jesus was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, “Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?” Jesus said to him, “Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: ‘You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.’” He said to him, “Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth.” Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, “You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.” When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, “How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!” And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, “Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God.” They were greatly astounded and said to one another, “Then who can be saved?” Jesus looked at them and said, “For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible.”

Peter began to say to him, “Look, we have left everything and followed you.” Jesus said, “Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first.”

The Gospel of the Lord

Response: *Praise be to thee, O Christ.*

The Sermon: The Rev. Sarah Spurlock Biggs

The Nicene Creed

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The Prayers of the People

The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: *And with thy spirit.*

Welcome and Announcements

Want to give electronically? While the alms basin is being passed, you can also make an offering online using your bank account, debit, or credit card: just scan the code at right.

Thank you for your gift to Immanuel.



THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Offertory

Clergy: All things come of thee, O Lord; *and of thine own have we given thee.*

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The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer II

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Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: *And with thy spirit.*

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: *We lift them up unto the Lord.*

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: *It is meet and right so to do.*

Sanctus and Benedictus

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Celebrant ***Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:***
and People ***Heaven and earth are full of thy Glory.***
Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.

Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

The Lord's Prayer

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THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant: Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us
People: ***Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.***

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O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, ***have mercy upon us.***
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, ***have mercy upon us.***
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, ***grant us thy peace.***

*If you are physically unable to come to the Altar, please let an usher know
that you would like to have Communion brought to you.*

Post Communion Prayer

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After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

***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:

Go forth into the world in peace. Be of good courage. Hold fast that which is good. Render to no one evil for evil. Strengthen the fainthearted. Support the weak. Help the afflicted. Honor all people. Love and serve the Lord, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you from this day forth and forevermore. *Amen.*

The Dismissal

Clergy: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

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SERVING AT THIS EUCHARIST:	<i>Reader/Intercessor:</i>	Linda Donahue
	<i>Usher:</i>	Tom Brown
	<i>Altar Guild:</i>	Diana Walker
	<i>Flower Guild:</i>	Connie Kurz
	<i>Celebrant:</i>	The Rev. Susan D. Parsons

Forum Hour “VTS Reparations Program” October 20th, The Welcome Center



In September 2019, Virginia Theological Seminary announced the creation of a reparations endowment fund and the intent to research, uncover, and recognize the labor of Black persons who toiled under the oppression of VTS during slavery and throughout the Jim Crow era. In her presentation, Ebonee Davis-Hayes, Director of Reparations at VTS, will share the research findings and implementation of VTS’ Reparations Program; highlighting, in particular, the importance and complex nature of descendant-focused work.

IMMANUEL CHURCH-ON-THE-HILL

Parish Notes
October 13, 2024

IN THE NAME OF JESUS 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. Both chapels offer a fully-staffed nursery for our infant and toddler parishioners.

Visitors are encouraged to fill out a visitor card — located in the pews or display stands at the entrances of the chapels. Give your card 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: Ann MacNamara, Barbara Ramsdell, Catherine Sinclair, Cynthia Dolvin, Cynthia Morton, Cy Murphy, Gary and MeiLung DeVight, Jane Flinn, Jessi MacLeod, Joseph, Kenny, Mable Randolph, Marianne Ingold, Margaret Messenger, Natalie Doyle Hennin, Norma Taliaferro, Patsy Rogers, Rollin Huntington, and Wendy Hoge.

PRAY FOR OUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY: Ann Langdon Days, Anna Woodward, Ashleighana, Barbara Sagan, Betsy Fox Berry, Betty Hicks, Brian and Joyce, Bridget Rice Rose, Carol Ording, Charlotte Kellogg, Dana De Cecco, Fred Vipperman, George Rustigian, Gerald, Gerard Ennis, Jack Allen, Jean Couban, Jean Williams, Jennie Rae, Jessi Napolitano, Jill Lane, Joanne Perla, Joe Micelli, Joseph Fabian, Joseph and Elaine Kelly, Joyce Di Misa, Kathryn Anschutz, Kathy Porter, the Rev. Kelly Moughty, Lilly Pinner, Linda Gill, Louise Jackson, Lucie Bauer, Lysbeth, Michael, Marcia Richardson, MariAnn Hollis, Mark Vipperman, Marty Childs, McQuade Milligan, Mary Leonard, Mary Muniz, Pamela, Paul, Peter Blackledge, Rebecca Smith, Richard Zitelli, the Rev. Rosa Harper Crawford, Rosemary Wensing, Ryan Willis, Shelby Ochs Owen, Stephen Miller, Stephen Spurlock, Susan Little, Winnie Kidd, and the victims of hurricanes Helene and Milton.

Pray for those who are celebrating birthdays this week: Phil Johnson, Karin Kizer, Connie Kurz, Claudia Reading, Martin Horne, Mia Mason, Kristen Moore, Lane Debevoise, Barbara Kirkland, Rufus Peabody, and Carlton Stockton.

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

NASA Astronauts on Extended Service Aboard the International Space Station: Commander Barry “Butch” Wilmore and Pilot Sunita “Suni” Williams.

Those who have died: Sean Michael Malone, neighbor of Brooke Roberts and her brother, Mark Roberts; and Sue Rehnke, sister-in-law of Mary Ann Rehnke. *Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon them.*

Monthly Saturday Breakfast Bible Study

THIS SATURDAY, [OCTOBER 19th](#) @ 8:00 AM Held Online via Zoom

Join Immanuel’s monthly Saturday morning Breakfast Bible Study **Saturday, October 19th** online via Zoom (find this bulletin on our website under the “Worship” tab, then click on the link below) beginning at 8 AM. Our new theme for 2024 is *Anxiety!* This month we will read **Joshua 1:7-9 "Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go "** 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

Announcements

WEEKDAY WORSHIP AND STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

All are welcome to participate

Morning Prayer Tuesday, October 15th @ 10:00 a.m., Zabriskie Chapel

Noonday Holy Eucharist Rite II, Wednesday, October 16th, Zabriskie Chapel

Weekly Bible Study: “*The Book of Job*”

Thursday, October 17th @10:30 a.m. online via Zoom.

Look for login details in your weekly eBlast email.

Evening Compline, Friday, October 18th @ 8:30 p.m., Online via Zoom

Pumpkin Patch 2024 is Up and Running *Last Two Trucks Unload Saturday, October 19th*

Thank you – thank you – thank you to everyone who came out and helped unload pumpkins – the Patch is up and running! Many thanks to all the soup makers, bakers, knitters – sellers – Patch Preppers – so many hands have volunteered time, talent, and treasure to get us going this year. In spite of some rain, we had a great first weekend, so let’s keep the momentum going! We need your help – soups, baked goods, apple crisp makers (October 19th!) -- there’s a job for everyone! Look for “Pumpkins: Everything You Need to Know About Immanuel’s Pumpkin Patch 2024” emails from Immanuel and emails from our Soup Wranglers, Baked Goods Coordinators, and Apple Crisp Coordinator. Plastic soup containers are available in the Parish Hall and Immanuel Chapel parlor– please help keep fill the Parish Kitchen Freezer with delicious soups. Please help keep our delicious baked goods supplies fresh and tempting!



Next and final Pumpkin Unloading is **this Saturday morning, October 19, 2024**. Mark your calendars! Since the year 2000 (when we first started keeping detailed records), your Immanuel Pumpkin Patch work has raised \$1,308,000 for Outreach charities such as ALIVE!, Carpenter’s Shelter, Community Lodgings, Culmore Clinic, Five Talents, Haiti Micah Project, Christ Church Refugee Ministry, and other organizations that aid the homeless, restore dignity to offenders, assist refugees, and aid impoverished children. Immanuel’s Outreach gives every parishioner the opportunity and encouragement to become involved. Please sign up for sales shifts by scanning the QR code at left. We especially need help on weekends! Thank you again – and see you at the Patch!

With Grace and Gratitude – *Immanuel Outreach*

SEPTEMBER—NOVEMBER 2024 - IT’S EASY TO SIGN UP ONLINE

Sign-up to Serve in our Sunday Services *through November* ONLINE — including The Feast of All Saints’ and Thanksgiving Eve —by visiting the landing page of our website at www.ICOH.net via Our **Red SignUp Genius Button**: We’re entering our busiest season, so please sign up to serve as a Reader, Intercessor, Usher, Acolyte, Altar Guild Server, Crucifer and/or Coffee Hour Host online via [SignUp Genius](http://www.ICOH.net) for Immanuel by visiting the landing page of our website at [ICOH.net](http://www.ICOH.net) and [clicking on the red button](#) .

THANK YOU — especially to all who have signed-up!

THE BENEDICTINE COMMUNITY WELCOMES YOU, TUESDAY OCTOBER 15TH

*If you are seeking to deepen your spiritual life,
come to our biweekly Benedictine Community via Zoom*

If you want more contemplation in your life, you are invited to become part of the Benedictine Community at Immanuel. We regather for reflection on **Tuesday, October 15** and meet (virtually) twice a month on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays from 7 pm-8 pm.

As a community, we reflect on how the tenets of St. Benedict, such as humility, silence, and prayer, can guide us in practical ways in our spiritual lives and our day to day endeavors. Individual reflection is guided by short readings from a Benedictine-inspired book. We are currently reading and reflecting on Kathleen Norris's book, *Cloister Walk*. Our focus each week is primarily on reflections sparked by having read a few pages from the book.

Our Benedictine Community gather as companions on the journey with one another while drawing wisdom from selected reading material and the ancient traditions and wisdom of Benedictine practice and prayer. With half or more of our current members residing outside of the area, we are using Zoom for our meetings, but if you are not comfortable with the video aspects of Zoom, you can simply call on the telephone and be connected to the Community by voice-only via Zoom. We may very occasionally have hybrid meetings using Zoom with simultaneous gathering in the parish hall for those nearby.

If this opportunity appeals to you and for more information, please contact one of the following:

Dana Hengst (dana.hengst@gmail.com), Barbara Fornoff (cr8vweaver@gmail.com)
or David Atwood (David_Atwood@hotmail.com)

WEDNESDAYS IN THE WORLD *with The Rev. Sarah Spurlock Biggs* *We will gather again this Wednesday, October 16th.*

Join her this Wednesday from **10:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon**, at the Alexandria Pastry Shop, Bradlee Shopping Center on King Street. All are welcome!

TWO THINGS TO BRING TO YOUR ATTENTION FROM ALIVE!

1. Immanuel is again a sponsor for the StepALIVE! walkathon. The walkathon supports ALIVE's efforts to provide food, shelter and emergency financial assistance for rent and other basic needs. The date of the **walkathon is next Sunday, Oct. 20th**; walkers are invited to gather in the parking lot of First Christian Church at 2pm for a kick off, walk or run 5 miles through Old Town and finally, enjoy a post-walk celebration. You can register at www.stepalive.org joining team "Immanuel Walks"! Can't walk? Consider visiting the StepALIVE! site to donate — scan code at left — supporting our team at Immanuel!



*We will also have a mini-walk after the 10:30 a.m. Eucharist on October 20th.
The children of Immanuel will walk and accept donations for ALIVE!*

2. The ALIVE! furniture delivery program is getting back into full swing with two trucks each Saturday, picking up and delivering furniture to those who need it. Historically, congregations have adopted one or two Saturdays (8am-1pm) a year to pick up and deliver furniture to those in need. This year, our congregation had been asked to deliver furniture on Saturday, November 9th. If you can help with this effort, please contact Lisa Clausen at Lisa.clausen@verizon.net.

SENIOR ADULT MINISTRY AND FELLOWSHIP EVENTS OCTOBER 2024

OCTOBER 16 - THIRD WEDNESDAY LUNCH AT GOODWIN HOUSE. Please join us for luncheon and conversation at Goodwin House-Alexandria. We gather at noon on the third Wednesday of the month, which will be October 16. Please RSVP to the Rev. Susan if you are not a resident of Goodwin House and to Susan Kernan if you are a resident.

OCTOBER 22 - REVIEW OF IMPRESSIONIST ART, FOURTH TUESDAY BROWN BAG LUNCH:

At our brown bag luncheon we will prepare for our upcoming visit to the National Gallery of Art exhibit Paris 1874 – The Impressionist Moment in November. Come and brush up on what the Impressionists were rebelling against, what was going on in the world as they painted, and remind yourself of who the artists were and what their work looked like.

We will meet in the Parish Hall at 12:15pm on the fourth Tuesday, October 22. Bring your own sandwich or salad, and Senior Ministry and Fellowship will provide beverages and dessert. There is no cost for this event and no reservation is required.

REGISTER YOUR 4-11 YEAR-OLD FOR GODLY PLAY: Godly Play meets in the Oratory Chapel in Immanuel Chapel on Sundays, beginning at 10:15 AM. Parents return to the Oratory during the Peace to gather the children for Communion with the congregation. Godly Play is a service with prayer, music, and a way to connect to God's stories. If you have questions or are interested in volunteering, please contact the Rev. Sarah at sspurlockbiggs@icoh.net.

Mark your calendars for our EYC Old Town Ghost Tour!
October 27 at 6pm — Free of charge! All 6th-12th graders are welcome! More details to come...

CIVIC ENGAGEMENT, VOTER REGISTRATION, AND VOTER INFORMATION

Volunteers for voter registration in the Pumpkin Patch: Immanuel's Social Justice Committee will once more be partnering with other parishes to offer Virginia-sponsored non-partisan voter registration the first three weekends of the Pumpkin Patch, as well as additional days at Northern Virginia Community College in September. If you are interested in volunteering please contact Kathryn Haskin and complete the short Virginia state-required training available completely online at the QR code below. October 15 is the final day voter registration can occur before the November election.

Voter information for Virginia: Election day is November 5, but there are several simple things you are able to do before election day:

- ✓ Verify or update your voter registration status or address at the user-friendly Virginia elections website
- ✓ Locate your neighborhood voting location at the same website
- ✓ Apply for a mail-in ballot (deadline for application: October 25) at the same website
- ✓ Early voting in-person begins in Virginia on September 20 through November 2.

Voter registration for residents of other states: If you want to check your status, or register, to vote in another state where you reside, you can locate appropriate dates and information on the VA elections website.



Voter Registration Training



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 Brian Rush Evangelism and Newcomers
 Matt Haskin Worship
 Caroline Bergmark Registrar, Communications
 Sophie Johnson, Sydney Onley, David Lloyd, and Isabelle Young-Smith Youth Representatives

SCHEDULE OF SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES

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

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

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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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