### IMMANUEL CHURCH-ON-THE-HILL Parish Notes February 28, 2021

### 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 currently worships virtually online, hoping to soon resume in-person services in two locations: the Zabriskie Chapel (3606 Seminary Road), and Immanuel Chapel (3737 Seminary Road) on the seminary grounds. Both locations will offer a fully-staffed nursery for our infant and toddler parishioners.

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).

### Learn more about us at www.icoh.net.

**PASTORAL CARE CORNER: Please remember these parishioners in your prayers:** Nancy Wise, Mike Walker, Lucy, Ted Walker, Catherine Sinclair, Aggie Fortune, Natalie Doyle-Hennin, Ann MacNamara, Tony, Mary Bruce Corkern, and Dick Hobson.

Pray for those who are celebrating birthdays this week: Grace Albritton, Arthur Braun, Juliet Houck, Len Lynch, Mary Taylor, Keith June, Bruce Morton, The Rev. Dr. Barney Hawkins, Sampson Robinson, Matthew Bastow, Owen Davies, Tyler Harris, Cecile Phillips, Kathy Conrad, Katja Shimkin, Thomas Cuddy, and Sanjiv Augustine.

Please also remember in your prayers members of our extended Parish family: Charlotte Kellogg; Anthony Christino, Jr., Paul, Dorothy Phaneuf, Linda Patton, Anne Newcomb, Sydney Bailey, Narciso, Sheri, Karen and Gwen, Lelah Ann Young, Caroline, Bert Ifill, Jeanette Beckmann, Lois Blair, Amy Wallens Green, Kelly, Cameron Pattisall, Ellen Repsher, Stephen Miller, Jill, Jack Allen, Molly Grey, Kathryn Anschutz, Thomas "Neil" Walters, Luciane Helena Borges Moreira, David Westgate, Doug Carmichael, Carol Sands, George Morris, Sandy, Jakey Newcomer, Julia Dietschak, Preston Atwood, John Matthewson, Ronald King, Marta Dimetre, Mary Lou Johnston, Katie McGinn Centola, Margaret and Lloyd Chenoweth, Bill Anderson, Bob Dickson, Mildred Alexander, Dotty, Susan Thomas, Steve Davis, Natalie Terwillinger, Cecile Zitelli, Joseph and Elaine Kelly, Alice Greenhall, Nancy, Edith Mead, Stephen, Louise Jackson, Charles Thurber, Arsine Oshagan, Emilie Brown, Sue Cleveland, David Johnson, Victoria Markin, Martin Stevens, Jeff Gorman, Jill Lane, Suzanne Prendergast, Howard, Alice Meyer, Ron Simar, Matthew Simar, Connie Smith, Payton, Kevin Lancaster, Jennifer Ashline, Bill Ennis, Norma MacLean, Frank, Perry, John and Alycia, Sue Rehnke, Marjean Smith, Andy MacLeod, Deacon Linda Murphy, Ben Hoge, Don Gobble; Judith Simpson, and The Simpson Family, David Kuck, Adele Barker, Martha Robison, Karl Kadish, Tamara, Daniela Samillan Celis, and Quintus Frederick.

**Serving around the world:** Noah Barker, Ian Phillips, Todd Bates, Philip Smucker, Jason Osborne, Michael Hussey, and Jonathan, Nicole, Alina and Nolan Anderson. Pray for healing for US troops wounded as casualties of war, and their caregivers.

**Those who have recently died**: Paul Casey, nephew of Doug Henry; Robert Wiand Sr., father of Sarah Glassco's sister-in-law, Anne Wiand Tolson; James Edward Jackson, father of Kathryn Jackson Haskin; Air National Guard Staff Sergeant Remington K. Viney, Air Force Reservist Tanner W. Byholm, Air Force Tech Sergeant Michael W. Morris; and Police Lieutenant Eugene Lasco. *Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon them.* 



**LENTEN CREATION CARE CALENDAR:** Interfaith Power and Light, an organization supported by Immanuel's Outreach Committee, has compiled a list of ideas for becoming better stewards of God's creation as a Lenten practice. You can pick-up a print copy of the calendar on the table outside of the parish office; or visit our website, click the link to this bulleting under the "Worship" tab at top, then click the blue text Lenten Creation Care Calendar to download.

## **Announcements**

### LENTEN FORUM HOUR SERIES CONTINUES: LIVE NEXT SUNDAY

Let's enjoy a new take on the traditional Lenten subject of fasting, and examine it in several forms. We hope you will set aside some time at 11:45 a.m. on Sundays after Eucharist, to reflect on all the different things it means to fast or go without.

To participate, simply use the same Zoom link as our coffee hour (see details below).



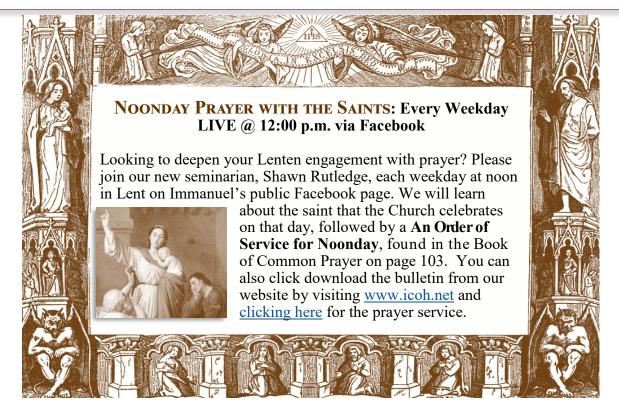
**March 14<sup>th</sup> - SANCTIFICATION:** A conversation explicitly about the effects of removing or pausing something harmful or negative from your life. What would it mean to turn away from items and practices that you believe cause you harm, and turn towards only those things that contribute to your sanctification, to your holiness, to furthering your relationship with the Love at the center of all being?

March 21<sup>st</sup> - ABUNDANCE, NEW LIFE, AND WHERE DO WE GO FROM HERE? A meditation and conversation about how we have been living this forced fast of social distancing, masks, and gathering restrictions. What will it look like to regather? What will it feel like to return to something more like normal? How can we faithfully and joyfully turn towards what we feel compelled to do next?

To log-in on your computer: Visit our website www.icoh.net, at the top menu select "Worship", then "Worship Service Bulletin" from the pull-down menu. Click on this bulletin, then:

- click the blue text: <u>Join FORUM HOUR via Zoom NOW</u>,
- enter Meeting ID: **853 9092 9796**, followed by the Password: **352917**.

To join by phone, dial: 1 (301) 715-8592, then enter the meeting ID and password above using your telephone's keypad.



## JOSHUA IN 3D: A Social Justice-Oriented Bible Book Study



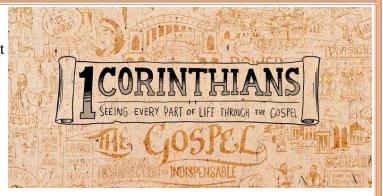
Join us this Wednesday at 7p.m. online via Zoom for a bible study on Chapters 13 and 14 of Joshua, and chapter 8 the L. Daniel Hawk book "Joshua in 3D: A Commentary on Biblical Conquest and Manifest Destiny". We're discussing the book of Joshua in a variety of ways, as biblical themes can help us parse through American history and values. Look for the Zoom link and logon information in your weekly eblast email.

Prior participation in this series isn't necessary to attend — all are welcome!



Join Us This Wednesday for Evening Prayer Service: Please join us for the service of Evening Prayer this Wednesday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:30p.m. via Zoom. Look for a zoom link in your weekly eblast, then join Mother Susan in the middle of the week, just when we need some restoration and renewal.

BIBLE STUDY ON THURSDAYS AND SATURDAYS: Join the clergy for Bible study this Thursday, March 4<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 a.m. via Zoom to study St. Paul's Letters to the Corinthians. This week, we will be discussing 1 Corinthians Chapters 13 and 14. The link for this class will appear in our weekly email and on Immanuel's Facebook page. If you're interested in joining us for the first time — or the first time in a while — you're welcome to do so without any reading or preparing.



Join Father Sam on Saturdays at 10 a.m. for another Bible study via Zoom. No previous experience or attendance necessary, just bring your questions and your Bible -- or an online version of the Bible, such as <u>Bible Gateway here</u>. Zoom call contact information will be sent out on Wednesday February 16<sup>th</sup> -- watch for your email!



**COMPLINE Service on Fridays**: Join us for this **Friday Compline March 5**<sup>th</sup> at 8:30p.m. via Zoom. Compline is an offering of late evening prayer, sometimes referred to as the "Goodnight Prayer of the Church." To participate, click the link: **Join Friday Night Compline Service**. Meeting ID: Will be sent in next week's E-Blast/ Password: Will be sent in next week's E-Blast.

To join the service by phone, dial: 1-(301) 715-8592.

### COOK WITH IMMANUEL'S CARPENTER'S SHELTER TEAM

Do you like to cook? Do you worry about people suffering homelessness in Alexandria? If so, our Carpenter's Shelter team invites you to join us at the beautiful new Shelter facility at 930 North Henry Street in Old Town.

We cook and deliver a healthy dinner for Shelter residents and staff on the **second Thursday** of every month. You can help in any of three ways, depending on your schedule:

- 1. You can buy and prepare ingredients for a side dish, such as slicing cucumbers and peppers for a salad;
- 2. **You can cook** a side dish or dessert, serving about 12 people, from recipes and instructions we provide; and/or
- 3. You can reheat and serve the prepared meal in the Shelter's kitchen, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. This is a great ministry for a couple of family members or friends (age 18 and over).

Volunteers receive assignments, recipes, aluminum pans, and some bulk ingredients each month. You can prep and cook the food at home, and then deliver it to organizers Connie Kurz and Laura Snow, who live a block from the church. If interested, contact Laura Snow at <a href="mailto:laurabsnow@verizon.net">laurabsnow@verizon.net</a> or Connie Kurz at <a href="mailto:cgkurz@aol.com">cgkurz@aol.com</a>.



### IMMANUEL'S CAREGIVERS AND GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

Saturday, March 6 @ 10:00 AM



Join the Immanuel Caregivers and Grief Support Group, a support group for members and friends who are caring for ailing or elderly loved ones or grieving those who have died for its final meeting of the season this Saturday. The group is led by clergy or invited and trained leaders who make space for sharing experiences, offering prayerful and moral support, and sharing resources. We are looking for signs of new life and God's presence. If you wish to join, please contact Father Randy (ralexander@icoh.net) or Mother Susan (sparsons@icoh.net) for an invitation to join the Zoom-based gathering.

## Memorial Service for Dick and Judy Bednar

Immanuel will hold a virtual Memorial Service for long-time parishioners Dick and Judy Bednar this Saturday, March 6<sup>th</sup>, at 6:00 p.m. It will be broadcast on <u>our YouTube channel</u>, and we will send the link beforehand. The Bednars will be buried later at Arlington National Cemetery. Please keep John Bednar, and all of the Bednar family, in your prayers.





# Epiphany 2022 Travel to the Holy Land

Join the Rt. Rev. Frank T. Griswald, the 25th Presiding Bishop of The Episcopal Church, and the Rev. J. Barney Hawkins IV, Ph.D.



### WE ARE READY WHEN YOU ARE!

All of us have "cabin fever." Most of us are trying to follow "religiously" the CDC guidelines. We wear masks, sanitize our hands and avoid crowds. Most of us are not traveling. The news about a vaccine is promising.

As you contemplate returning to travel in 2022 and beyond, remember our flexible booking policy which lets you plan your future travel with complete peace of mind. If you change or cancel up to 15 days prior to departure in the event of a COVID-19-related reason—whether at home or in your travel destination—you will receive a credit toward future travel associated with VTS. So, book with confidence.

Please look forward to these pilgrimages and do request more information:

### EPIPHANY PILGRIMAGES TO THE HOLY LAND

with The Rt. Rev. Frank T. Griswold and the Rev. J. Barney Hawkins IV, Ph.D.

PILGRIMAGE ONE: Jan. 8-19, 2022

PILGRIMAGE TWO: Jan. 22-Feb. 2, 2022

Abraham's Tomb in Hebron



For more information, please contact Victoria Elie at Virginia Theological Seminary (velie@vts.edu).

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Harrison Clark	Co-steward: Children, Youth, and Family Ministries
Danette "Dani" Gentile Kauffman	Stewardship and Planned Giving
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### **ONLINE SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE**

www.immanuel-on-the-hill.org
Immanuel's YouTube channel

### PRIEST ASSOCIATES

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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.

### **Parish Office**

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