### IMMANUEL CHURCH-ON-THE-HILL Parish Notes February 7, 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, Bruce Wanamaker, Aggie Fortune, Natalie Doyle-Hennin, Ann MacNamara, Tony, Mary Bruce Corkern, and Kevin Wensing.

**Pray for those who are celebrating birthdays this week:** Mary Latif, Diana Page, Aggie Fortune, Scott Hovis, Susan Kilpatrick, Karen Besser, Jane Flinn, Sophia Johnson, and Caroline Hicks.

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, Jim and 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, Paul Casey, John and Alycia, Sue Rehnke, Marjean Smith, Andy MacLeod, Deacon Linda Murphy, Ben Hoge, Don Gobble; Kendra, Ed, Durham, Ellie and Family, Judith Simpson, and The Simpson Family, David Kuck, Adele Barker, Martha Robison, Mark Roberts, and Karl Kadish.

**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**: Stephen Keith Markham, father of The Very Rev. Ian S. Markhan, Ph.D., dean of Virginia Theological Seminary; Police Lieutenant Michael Boutte, FBI Special Agent Laura Schwartzenberger, and FBI Special Agent Daniel Alfin. *Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon them.* 

Join us for a Virtual Sunday Coffee Hour immediately after today's 10:30 a.m. online service via Zoom.

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: Join Zoom Coffee Hour NOW,
- 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.



### **Announcements**

## IMMANUEL PARENT AND YOUTH FORUM HOUR VIA ZOOM

TODAY @ 2p.m. via Zoom



The EYC invites the parish to a VALENTINES DAY TRIVIA NIGHT NEXT SUNDAY, February 14th @7p.m. via Zoom

Look for details and log-on information in your weekly parish email.

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



Wednesday, February 10<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00 p.m. via Zoom: There are Christians who are sure that war is sometimes the appropriate, and morally right, reaction to the world. There are also Christian pacifists who would have peace at almost any cost. Although Christians likely will remain deeply divided about participation in war, Daniel Hawk suggests all Christians may be urged—in the story of Joshua—to focus more on examining the suffering of others when considering the rightness of our wars. Joshua may urge us to consider that God isn't necessarily one our side every time we resort to violence.

The Joshua Bible study group has decided we've just skimmed the surface of Joshua itself, so we are marching forward with a few more weeks of a chapter at a time. This week looking at Chapters 11/12 of Joshua, and Chapter 7 the L. Daniel Hawk book *Joshua in 3D* (Excerpts from the book can be found online for anyone interested. Look for details of how to log on in our weekly eBlast.)

Please join us on Wednesday night at 7p.m. whether you've checked us out before! All are welcome!

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Join Us This Wednesday for Evening Prayer Service: Please join us for the service of Evening Prayer this Wednesday, February 10<sup>TH</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: Please join the clergy for Bible study this Thursday, February 11<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 a.m. via Zoom to study St. Paul's Letter to the Corinthians. This week, we will be discussing 1 Corinthians Chapters 8 and 9. 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 10<sup>th</sup> -- watch for your email!

COMPLINE Service on Fridays: Join us for this Friday Compline February 12<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.



### IMMANUEL'S CAREGIVERS AND GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP RETURNS:

The group meets Saturday, February 14 @ 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 on Saturdays, 10:00-11:00a.m. now **through February 27**<sup>th</sup>. The group, 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 (<u>ralexander@icoh.net</u>) or Mother Susan (<u>sparsons@icoh.net</u>) for an invitation to join the Zoom-based gathering.

# Ash Wednesday Service

FEBRUARY 17<sup>th</sup> @ 12 NOON VIA YOUTUBE



Posted on Immanuel's Facebook Page @ 7:00 p.m.

## STORY CALL: LET'S ALL PRAY



Share a subject, theme, or person that you'd like for us to pray for this coming Lenten Season — specifically, those that *don't* normally make it into Immanuel's weekly prayer list, as they will be copied from the parish notes. We'll feature a full list of prayer subjects in the March 1st issue of **The Almond Tree Quarterly** magazine, allowing all of us to lift your specific concerns in prayer. Deadline for submissions is February 15th.

Send the names of people, their stories, photos, and prayers for areas of concern (environmental threats in your hometown, friends and neighbors suffering due to job loss, homeless strangers you see in town, etc.) to

office@icoh.net or to apowell@icoh.net with "My Easter Prayer" ion the subject line. You and/or the person that you are praying for may remain completely anonymous: Aleta will substitute a "code name" for your anonymous prayer subject based on the name of a patron saint, and will email you the code name chosen.



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>.



**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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