Immanuel Church-on-the-Hill Parish Notes March 13, 2022

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.

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.

PRAY FOR PARISHIONERS: Aggie Fortune, Ann MacNamara, Cynthia and Bruce Morton, Catherine Sinclair, Eloise Payne, Francine Wargo, Jessi MacLeod, Kenny, Linda and Cy Murphy, Lucy, Natalie Doyle Hennin, Susan Wiard, Tony, Daphne, Lawrence, Ann Huntington, and Beth McGahuey.

PRAY FOR OUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY: Arsine Oshagan, Charlotte Kellogg, Dana De Cecco, Dorothy Phanuef, George Rustigian, Jack Allen, Kathryn Anschutz, Ben Hoge, Louise Jackson, Margaret Chenoweth, Marjean Smith, Mildred Alexander, Paul, Rowena and Don Lynch, Steve Davis, Stephen Miller, Sue Rehnke, Ann Shelly, Sarah Minor, Tom Dollard, Jim McClane, Edith and Joseph, Ryan, Mr. and Mrs. Bird, John, Alexandra, Hans, Jessica, McQuade Milligan, J.C., Scott De Vight, Reagan, and Waide Egener.

Pray for those who are celebrating birthdays this week: Albert Burgess, Jenifer Larson, Jake Cohn, Jeremy Enright, Jackie Phillips, Constance Casey, Harry Diffendal, Hilary Parker, Peter Albritton, Jack Hamnbrick, Cassidy McCaslin, Marcus Rarick, and Patrick Tribe.

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 casualties and their caregivers.

Those who have recently died: Army Private First Class Noah Samuel-Siegel, State Trooper Tamar Bucci, and Police Corporal Benjamin Cooper. *Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon them.*

Spring Fling NEXT SUNDAY Spring Fling Gathering in the Garden - 12 noon - 2p.m: Come celebrate the first day of spring with the Creation Care Action Team in the Zabriskie Gardens! Join us for a casual reception held outdoors (unless heavy rain) so we can enjoy our grounds and see what is blooming/springing up, and talk with Creation Care Action Team members.

SOLAR PROJECT INSTALLATION: Sustainable Energy Solutions (SES) advised us in January that the building permit package for Immanuel's solar array installation is complete and has been submitted to the City of Alexandria for review and permitting. On February 28, SES let us know the City expects to complete the review March 11, 2022 and issue the permit needed soon after. SES still needs to receive delivery of some key components (an inverter and optimizers), essential to have before installation can begin. Installation should take 10-14 days barring any weather delays. The good news is the solar panels are in storage locally and, thanks to the generosity of our parishioners, we have more than sufficient funds to cover the next progress payment to SES. Assuming receipt of Alexandria City permit and all needed components, SES now hopes for a late March/early April 2022 installation of our solar system.

Announcements

Join our Lenten Series Sundays @ 9:15a.m. - Parish Hall:

Diving into the Lenten Word

Our Lenten series this year is exploring, in depth, the Scripture readings of the five Sundays in Lent. The preacher of the day leads the discussion, allowing lots of time for questions, responses, and musings. We'll explore the context more fully, musing about the authors of the lessons, and also hearing from the preacher about their process as they wrote the sermon.

We gather at 9:15a.m. in Zabriskie Parish Hall each Sunday in Lent, both in person and online.

Join the Benedictine Community This Tuesday, March 15th @7:00 p.m. via Zoom

If you want more contemplation during Lent and beyond, you are invited to become part of the Benedictine Community at Immanuel.

We currently meet virtually twice a month on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays from 7 pm-8 pm. The Community reflects on the tenets of St. Benedict such as humility, silence, and prayer. Individual reflection is guided by short readings from a Benedictine-inspired book. We are starting a new book on April 5: *Benedictine Promises for Everyday People: Staying Put, Listening Well, Being Changed by God* by Rachel Srubas, but you need not wait for **April 5th** to check us out. Our focus is primarily on reflections sparked by having read a few pages from the book.

We are not a book study group, rather a Benedictine Community, gathering as companions on the journey with one another while drawing wisdom from selected reading material. 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.

If this opportunity appeals to you and for more information, please contact Dana Hengst, Barbara Fornoff, or David Atwood.

Join us for the Wednesday Evening Holy Eucharist Rite II March 16th at 6:30p.m, Zabriskie Chapel

Wednesday, March 16th @ 6:30 PM: Social Justice Book Study: *Just Mercy*

We continue our 9-10 week conversation on <u>Just Mercy</u> by Bryan Stephenson as the next book to help tie our Social Justice discussions with Immanuel's Criminal Justice Initiative.

We'd love for you to join us as we explore building a vocabulary and theology around the idea that what happens to incarcerated people, both the innocent and guilty, should matter to us as Christians.



Helping the Humanitarian Crisis in Ukraine Donate Now

Immanuel's Vestry and Outreach Committee ask for your continued prayers and support for the people of Ukraine. We're witnessing a humanitarian crisis not seen in Europe since World War II. Here are some of the charities you may wish to consider for your direct donation (please don't send money to the church). Hyperlinks should send you to the appropriate website.

- **Episcopal Relief & Development** is supporting Action by Churches Together (ACT Alliance) as it provides critical assistance to support people affected by violence in Ukraine. Working through ACT member Hungarian Interchurch Aid (HIA) and other local organizations, ACT Alliance is providing emergency assistance on the ground. A portion of your gift will provide help such as food, shelter, water and basic supplies to refugees and people displaced within Ukraine. To give, click here: https://www.episcopalrelief.org/
- World Central Kitchen, run by chef José Andrés, is operating in Poland providing meals for refugees fleeing Ukraine. https://wck.org/
- **Direct Relief** is working to fulfill a list of medical needs provided by Ukraine's health ministry.
- CARE, a 75-year-old organization operating in 100 countries, is working to provide food, water and hygiene kits to those suffering in Ukraine. <u>Donate here</u>.
- **Doctors Without Borders**, a 50-year-old Nobel-winning organization, has teams in Ukraine as well as surrounding countries as it works to send staff and medical supplies to the hardest-hit areas. Donate here to support its efforts in Ukraine and elsewhere in the world.
- Save the Children, a century-old organization that has worked in 100 countries, has a <u>Ukraine crisis relief fund</u> aimed at furnishing children and families with food, hygiene kits, funding and more.
- The International Rescue Committee has teams working in Poland, aiding displaced families. The organization, founded in 1933, operates in 40 countries. Donations go to food, medical treatment, and other emergency care in Ukraine, Afghanistan, Syria and elsewhere. Donate here to the IRC's work around the world.

Your Outreach Committee will be monitoring the situation and looking for opportunities to help, particularly if Ukrainian refugees arrive in Virginia.

NEW BIBLE STUDY this Thursday, March 17th @ 10:30 a.m:

FIRST AND SECOND TIMOTHY and THE EPISTLE OF PAUL TO TITUS

All are welcome to share in this exploration of the three pastoral epistles — 1 Timothy, 2 Timothy, and Titus — found in the New Testament and attributed to Saint Paul. No prior study or participation necessary. We meet Thursdays from 10:30 a.m. to noon online via Zoom -- look for login information in your weekly eBlast email.

Just bring your Bible (or an online version such as <u>Bible Gateway here</u>) and a heart open to the idea that we are meant learn from one another, that we are a people called to learn about God's love in community. You most certainly can just listen, but your witness, experience, thoughts, and beliefs are just as important and valuable as anyone else's!

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

BREAKFAST BIBLE STUDY on Luke 9:46-50

Join us online for Immanuel's monthly Saturday morning Breakfast Bible Study on **Saturday**, **March 19th** -- we meet the third Saturday of each month. We will meet via Zoom (link and info below) beginning at 8a.m.. Our theme this year is God's Loving Concern; we will read Luke 9:46-50, using the African Model of Reflection.

For more information, contact Chrissie at cmcfaddencrosby@gmail.com. For more information, please visit our website HERE

Zoom Meeting: Join Breakfast Bible Study NOW Meeting ID: 959 5450 6553, Passcode: 027913



Senior Adult Ministry and Fellowship Brown Bag Luncheon

Tuesday, March 22nd @ 12:10 p.m. Zabriskie Parish Hall



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SCHEDULE OF SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite I, Zabriskie Chapel 3606 Seminary Road, Alexandria, VA 9:00 a.m. Family Holy Eucharist, Zabriskie Chapel 10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II, Immanuel Chapel 3737 Seminary Road, Alexandria, VA

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www.immanuel-on-the-hill.org
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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

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