

IMMANUEL CHURCH-ON-THE-HILL

Parish Notes
October 4, 2020

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, Dick Bednar, Mike Walker, Lucy, Ted Walker, Catherine Sinclair, Bruce Wanamaker, Aggie Fortune, Natalie Doyle-Hennin, Joan, Ann MacNamara, Raven, Tony, and Mary Bruce Corkern.

Pray for those who are celebrating birthdays this week: Brad Ashton, Natalie Doyle-Hennin, Scott Moore, Betsy Huffman, Caroline Johnson, Nancy Lyons, Heather Schnedl, Dr. A. Sandra Graham, Susan Montague, Noah Taylor, Barbara Carroll, Beth Hendrix, Randy Kell, Diana Walker, Charlotte Barnes, Curt Cowan, Doug Onley, Brooke Roberts, Mary Fitzpatrick, Emily Friday, Karin MacPhail, and Grace Wensing.

Please also remember in your prayers members of our extended Parish family: Charlotte Kellogg; Anthony Christino, Jr., Paul, Dorothy Phaneuf, Linda Patton, Beatriz Balcarcel, 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, Betsy Fox Berry, 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, Mary Brooks Jamison, 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, Ashley Whitehurst, Howard, Alice Meyer, Ron Simar, Matthew Simar, Connie Smith, Payton, The Right Rev. Susan Goff, Kevin Lancaster, Jennifer Ashline, Bill Ennis, Norma MacLean, Frank, Perry, Paul Casey, and Sue Rehnke.

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

Those who have recently died: Army Sergeant Cade D. Pendergast. *Rest eternal grant to him, O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon him.*



Unloading of pumpkins immediately after Eucharist on the Zabriskie Chapel's front lawn.

Pumpkin Patch Hours

TODAY, PUMPKIN SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4TH: 1– 4 P.M.

Monday - Friday: 12noon - 6 p.m.

Saturday and Sunday: 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Immanuel's Pumpkin Patch is on for 2020 — By The Grace of God and Your Help!

Welcome to Pumpkin Sunday! We're hoping many of you who may have felt cooped up inside will welcome a chance to volunteer outside in the fresh air for one or more shifts at our beloved Immanuel Pumpkin Patch. Ministries like ALIVE! and the Lazarus Project that depend on the Patch have needs like never before, and we're overjoyed to be able to hold the Patch this year. We hope the Patch will also be a welcome bit of normality to our customers.

But we can only pull off this wonderful outreach ministry with your help!! Several of our regulars will not be able to participate this year due to COVID-19 vulnerabilities, living at Goodwin House, etc., and so it will be especially important that those of us who can volunteer do. The Patch will be open every day starting this afternoon through October 31st. First shift is today from 1 – 4p.m.

October 2020 Patch shifts:

Monday – Friday:

- Shift 1: 12/Noon - 3 PM
- Shift 2: 3 – 6 PM

Saturday/Sunday:

- Shift 1: 10 AM – 1 PM
- Shift 2: 1 – 4PM
- Shift 3: 4 – 6PM



*** We'll treat the October Monday federal holiday as a weekend day*

Special COVID Safety Information: Main reason we can have the Pumpkin Patch safely this year is it's all outside in the fresh air! Still - we are taking extensive precautions to keep both volunteers and visitors safe. We have sought guidance from/are certified by Alexandria Health Department's "ALX Promise" program and will follow its recommendations such as

- Visitors and volunteers to Pumpkin Patch to wear masks at all times
- Options for touchless purchasing
- Physical distancing for both visitors and volunteers
- Robust cleaning/sanitizing

We will also have plexiglass barriers set up for volunteers working the Pumpkin Patch payment table, a table with hand-sanitizer, etc.

Please Sign Up for one or more shifts using below [SignUp Genius](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090E4EA9A823A4FC1-immanuel1) link:
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090E4EA9A823A4FC1-immanuel1>

***Because we are not having services in the church, we will not have the large easel-based paper sign-up sheet this year. [SignUp Genius](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090E4EA9A823A4FC1-immanuel1) is easy to use and lets you know at a glance who just signed up for a shift – someone with whom you might like to join in some physically distanced volunteer fellowship! If you would like to volunteer for a shift and are not able to register using [SignUp Genius](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090E4EA9A823A4FC1-immanuel1), you can call the Church number and leave a message (state date, day of week, and which shift you'd like) at (703) 370-6555, enter **extension 204**. Preston O'Neill, has kindly offered to check this message line and add your name to the [SignUp Genius Pumpkin Patch Sales Schedule](#).*

Thank you in advance for signing up to sell pumpkins!

Your Immanuel Outreach Group



EYC Zoom Formation TODAY @ 7pm: Each week the Middle School and High School members of our parish gather for one final online meeting of the week. The Second Sunday of each month is different, but every other week we meet at 7p.m. on Zoom. We check in, we review our community rule, we watch a 4-8 minute video on what the Bible is and why we'd bother to talk about it, then we talk about. We close by going over what the EYC would like to add to the next week's prayers of the people. If you have a teenager, we'd love to [see them there!](#) [Join EYC Zoom Formation by Clicking HERE](#), then enter Meeting ID: 835 2386 7417 and Passcode: 308305

Bible Study and Compline Online This Week

BIBLE STUDY ON THURSDAYS AND SATURDAYS: Please join the clergy for a study of The Acts of the Apostles this Thursday, October 8th at 10:30 a.m. via Zoom. The Acts of the Apostles is a history book of the early Church and its struggles and ministries. Some have described the book as "an adventure thrill ride from start to finish." Come and see! On **SATURDAYS**, join Father Sam for a study of the Old Testament at 10a.m. via Zoom. The link for this class will appear in our weekly email and on Immanuel's Facebook page.

No previous experience or attendance necessary, just bring your questions and your Bible -- or an online version of the Bible, such as [Bible Gateway here](#).

Zoom call contact information will be sent out on Wednesday October 7th -- watch for your email!

COMPLINE Service on Fridays: Join us for a **Friday Compline** October 9th 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 (929) 205-6099 US (East)

Apples Are Waiting for Pick-up: APPLE CRISP ASSEMBLY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We still need a few more volunteers to help prepare the apple crisp kits for this October's Pumpkin Patch. Things will look a bit different from previous years, because of COVID-19. Apple crisp makers: We have about two bushels of apples left in the Zabriskie Chapel refrigerator, and probably enough space in the freezer above the fridge to accommodate them. Feel free to stop by the Zabriskie kitchen to retrieve apples and to continue to make crisps until the apples are gone. (And I will send out an email when they are gone). Also, we desperately need baked goods to kick off our Pumpkin Patch opening this Sunday. While we have lots of soups and apple crisps, we need whatever you can provide for the display cases -- cupcakes, muffins, breads, cookies, candies, anything you like. Please deposit them in the Zabriskie kitchen. If there's no room in the fridge, feel free to leave them on the kitchen counter and we will be sure to cover them to keep them fresh. Thank you to all cooks and bakers who are working to build up a supply of delicious items for the Immanuel Pumpkin Patch! If you have questions, email danamwilkie@gmail.com.

IMMANUEL CAREGIVERS GROUP

Please Join! Immanuel Church-on-the-Hill is convening an Immanuel Caregivers Group to determine interest and need for parishioners and friends who find themselves in roles of caring for ailing or elderly family members. An organizational meeting to be led by Father Randy Alexander will take place via Zoom on **Saturday, October 10th at 11:00a.m.** We will discuss: 1) our Purpose: Understand our roles in a Christian context as caregivers for elderly and ailing individuals or for those who have recently died, through sharing experiences, honest conversation, and offering prayerful support, 2) identifying how frequently to meet, setting ground rules, etc., and 3) gathering ideas and resources. If you are interested in participating in this first



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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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