## IMMANUEL CHURCH-ON-THE-HILL Parish Notes February 26, 2023

### 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.

Visitors are encouraged to fill out a pew card — located in display stands at entrances of the chapels — and give it 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**: Danette "Dani" Gentile Kauffman, Edith, Joseph, Linda and Cy Murphy, John and Louisa Smucker, Ann MacNamara, the Sara Fein family, Norma Taliaferro, Cynthia Morton, Catherine Sinclair, Francine Wargo, Jessi MacLeod, Kenny, Natalie Doyle Hennin, Tony Rogers, Daphne, Nancy Bishop, Ann Huntington, and Nancy Wise.

PRAY FOR OUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY: Charlotte Kellogg, Dana De Cecco, George Rustigian, Jack Allen, Kathryn Anschutz, Louise Jackson, Paul, Rowena and Don Lynch, Steve Davis, Stephen Miller, Sue Rehnke, Ryan, John, McQuade Milligan, Peter and Joanne, Mary Muniz, the Rev. Rosa Harper, John and Alice Corbett, Joseph Fabian, Candy Morgan, Nancy Kraus, Jim Rehnke, Felicia Balzano, Roy Zartarian, Connie Smith, Salih, Zeyneb and Elif Sayilgan, Dave and Betsy Fox Berry, Betty Harris, and the Rev. Tracy Baker.

Pray for those who are celebrating birthdays this week: Jan Campbell, Betsy DeMulder, Susan Wiard, Grace Albritton, Arthur Braun, Juliet Houck, Len Lynch Jr., Mary Taylor, Keith June, Sharon Waiss, the Rev. Dr. Barney Hawkins IV, Sampson Robinson, Stephanie Scharnweber, Matthew Bastow, Carson Clark Arp, Tyler Harris, Cecile Phillips, Hayden Arp, Kathy Conrad, and Katja Shimkin.

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

**Those who have recently died**: Margaret Stockton, mother of Khary Stockton, mother-in-law of Susan, and grandmother of Jahi and Isa Stockton; Will Rodger, friend of Francine Wargo and Assistant Scoutmaster of Troop 131; and victims of the Tate County, Mississippi shooting: Chris Boyce, Debra Crum, George McCain, Lynda McCain, Charles Manuel, and John Rorie. *Rest eternal grant to them*, *O Lord*, *and let light perpetual shine upon them*.



# FORUM HOUR Lenten Series Begins TODAY 11:45 a.m., Immanuel Chapel

The Rev. Dr. Rode Molla, Assistant Professor, Berryman Family Chair for Children's Spirituality and Nurture at VTS leads today's Lenten forum hour. Dr. Molla's research and writing interests employ an interdisciplinary approach at the intersection of lived religion; the spirituality of children and families; postcolonial studies; political, intercultural, and postcolonial pastoral and practical theological methods, and critique of neoliberalism.

All are welcome and encouraged to attend.

## Announcements





Pack your bag and join the Episcopal Youth Community for fun and festivities during an overnight lock-in this Saturday, March 4<sup>th</sup>, in the Parish Hall, followed by a post-Eucharist brunch in the Fairchild Room on Sunday, March 5<sup>th</sup>.

For anyone interested in joining the EYC, please contact **Brian Rush** at james.b.rush2@uscg.mil or jbrianrush@gmail.com."

## Weekday Worship Opportunities

**MORNING PRAYER** @ **10 A.M., Zabriskie Chapel**: All are invited to join Immanuel staff and clergy for Morning Prayer every Tuesday at 10:00 a.m. in Zabriskie Chapel. This quiet, contemplative service typically lasts thirty minutes and offers each worshipper a chance to lift a person, cause, or concern in prayer while learning about any saints the Church is commemorating.

Wednesday Holy Eucharist, March 1<sup>st</sup> @6:30 p.m., Zabriskie Chapel

NEW NEXT WEEK for Our Weekly Bible Study, Thursday, March 2<sup>nd</sup> @ 10:30 a.m.

## THE GOSPEL OF MARK

Evening Compline, Friday, March 4th, 8:30 p.m., Online via Zoom

## Sign-up to Serve in our Sunday Services



Would you like to serve as a lay minister? If so, sign-up to serve as a Reader, Intercessor, Usher, Acolyte, Crucifer and/or Chalice Bearer on one of four sign-up sheets, which can be found near the main door of each chapel. During the week, these rosters live just outside of Mother Susan's office in the basement of Zabriskie Chapel.

Finally, if you need training for a particular ministry, please send a request to <a href="mailto:sparsons@icoh.net">sparsons@icoh.net</a> or indicate so next to your name on the sheet. Thank you!



### SENIOR MINISTRY AND FELLOWSHIP

SENIOR MINISTRY BROWN BAG LUNCH: All seniors are invited to our Brown Bag Lunch this <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>February 28th at 12:15 p.m.</u> to spend some time, live via Zoom, with **Dr. Steven Plank**. Dr. Plank is the Andrew B. Meldrum Professor of Musicology at Oberlin College. He also writes the program notes for *The Thirteen*, a nationally recognized choir and orchestra "celebrated for reimagining the potential of vocal music from many periods." *The Thirteen* will be performing the Rachmaninoff Vespers (also known as the All-Night Vigil) on Friday, March 3 at 7:30 p.m. at Immanuel Chapel.

Dr. Plank will introduce us to the Vespers and will help to make this sweeping work more familiar to us, so that we can experience it as an entrée to our observance of Lent and Holy Week.

Please bring your own sandwich or salad, and Senior Ministry will provide beverages and dessert. There is no cost for this event and no reservation is required.

\*\* If you purchase your ticket to the March 3rd concert from Senior Ministry you will get a \$10 discount. Senior Ministry will be hosting a reception following the concert, with wine and desserts, on the VTS campus following the concert as our March event, so please put this date on your calendar now!

As always, if you need a ride to either of these events, please contact Karen Besser at Karen.Besser@gmail.com.

## Benedictine Community Meeting, Tuesday, March 7th@ 7:00 p.m. online via Zoom

If you want more contemplation in your life, you are invited to become part of the Benedictine Community at Immanuel. We currently meet twice a month virtually via Zoom on the first and third Tuesdays of the month, from 7-8 p.m.

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, currently *Benedictine Promises for Everyday People: Staying Put, Listening Well, Being Changed by God*, by Rachel Srubas.

As a Benedictine Community, we gather as companions on the journey with one another while drawing wisdom from a few pages from selected reading material. If this opportunity appeals to you and for more information, please contact one of the following: Dana Hengst (<u>Dana.Hengst@gmail.com</u>), Barbara Fornoff (<u>cr8vweaver@gmail.com</u>), or David Atwood (<u>David Atwood@hotmail.com</u>).

## Saturday, March 18th @ 8:00 AM: Monthly Saturday Breakfast Bible Study by Zoom

Join Immanuel's monthly Saturday morning Breakfast Bible Study on Saturday, March 18<sup>th</sup>, the third Saturday. We will meet 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 this year is *Freedom*; this month we will read **Romans** 6:13b -23 "...you are the slave of him you obey...now you are set free from sin and bound to the service of God...", using the African Model of Reflection. For more information, please visit our webpage "Breakfast Bible Study", or contact Chrissie Crosby at <a href="mailto:cmchadencrosby@gmail.com">cmchadencrosby@gmail.com</a>.

Join Zoom Saturday Breakfast Bible Study Meeting / Meeting ID: 959 5450 6553 / Passcode: 027913



## Walking the Walk: A Lenten Series

"Walk in the way of love, just as Christ loved us..." ~ Ephesians 5:2

It's clear, from both Scripture and Church tradition, that living the Christian life involves far more than gathering for worship on Sundays – vital as that is. Drawing on our historic partnership with the Virginia Theological Seminary, we will welcome five members of the faculty who will talk about living the faith and walking the walk in many different parts of our lives. Each speaker will leave room for questions and discussion after his or her presentation.

## Next Week's Speaker



The Very Rev. Ian S. Markham, Ph.D. is an Episcopal priest and the Dean and President of Virginia Theological Seminary (VTS) since August 2007. A trained Christian Ethicist and award-winning Biblical Scholar, Markham is a prolific author and editor of numerous books, including: Against Atheism: Why Dawkins, Hitchens, and Harris Are Fundamentally Wrong; An Introduction to Ministry: A Primer for Renewed Life and Leadership in Mainline Protestant Congregations; An Introduction to Said Nursi: Life, Thoughts, and Writings; A World Religions Reader; Do Morals Matter?; The New Apologetics: At the Intersection of Secularism, Science, and Spirituality; Prophetic Preaching: The Hope or the Curse of the Church?; Reasonable Radical?: Reading the Writings of Martyn Percy, Understanding Christian Doctrine; and Words That Listen: A Literary Companion to the Lectionary.



Dear Members of Immanuel Church-on-the-Hill:

My name is Elizabeth and I'm the Production & Communications Coordinator for The Thirteen professional choir and orchestra. On behalf of The Thirteen, I invite you and your congregation members to our performance of Rachmaninoff's All- Night Vigil! We're familiar with your church and we'd love to have you join us for the performance of this iconic work on March 3-5<sup>th</sup> in DC, Bethesda, and Alexandria.

We're excited to offer you this discount code, granting 25% off tickets "Alexandria25". Tickets can be purchased at <a href="https://www.TheThirteenChoir.org">www.TheThirteenChoir.org</a>

Below you can find a few recordings of our previous shows as well as the information about the concerts:

### https://youtu.be/zULxjL6IPzE https://youtu.be/PYCHlf 8mYg

Rachmaninoff's Vespers - alternately known as The All-Night Vigil - is often hailed as the composer's greatest triumph. The apotheosis of the power, beauty, and emotion of the human voice, Rachmaninoff's masterpiece is a concerto for the entire choir. Written with a symphonic palette, Rachmaninoff's masterpiece has moved audiences for over 100 years with soaring melodies, rich harmonies, and vocal pyrotechnics.

Join our choir of 22 singers, including bassi profundi Glenn Miller and Eric Alatorre, as we celebrate Rachmaninoff's 150<sup>th</sup> birthday with three performances of his Vespers.

Warm Regards,

## Elizabeth Murray

Production & Communications Coordinator: The Thirteen

The Thirteen is a professional choir and orchestra based in Washington, DC founded in 2012 by our artistic director, Matthew Robertson. While the Thirteen began as a collaborative ensemble that performed and toured with twelve singers and one conductor, we've since been fortunate enough to expand our community to over 50 musicians that share our vision to perform choral music spanning many times and cultures,, inspire new audiences, and foster empathy in our communities. In the past, The Thirteen has been celebrated for reimagining the potential of vocal music from many periods, been awarded the Greater Washington Area Choral Excellence award for Most Creative Programming, and been described by the Washington Post as performing with "striking color and richness that transfigures the listener."

### **CLERGY AND STAFF**

The Rev. J. Randolph Alexander, Jr. (ralexander@icoh.net)	Rector
The Rev. Susan D. Parsons (sparsons@icoh.net)	Associate Rector
Dr. Jane Tavernier (jtavernier@icoh.net)	Director of Music
Janettarose Greene (JGreene@vts.edu)	Seminarian
Tom Hewson (thewson@icoh.net)	Treasurer
Sughra Bakhtiari (sbakhtiari@icoh.net)	Bookkeeper
Aleta Y. Powell (apowell@icoh.net)	Parish Administrator
Tamika Martin (tmartin@vts.edu)	Audio Visual Technician
Gilma Balcarcel	Nursery Coordinator
Stuart Dahlinger	Sexton

### THE VESTRY

	Senior Warden
Gerry Anderson	Junior Warden: Building and Grounds, Creation Care
Peter Kent	Junior Warden: Administration
Amy Thomas	
	Stewardship and Planned Giving
Mollie Lambert	Outreach
Kathy Lloyd	Senior Ministry
Kristi Kubista-Hovis and Kathy Lloyd	Children Youth and Family Ministries
Julie Bruns	Pastoral Care
	Social Justice
Taylor Houck	
Caroline Bergmark	Evangelism and Newcomers
	Worship
Caroline Bergmark and Taylor Houck	Fellowship
Gabriella Young-Smith	Youth Representative (nonvoting member)

### SCHEDULE OF SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES

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

10:30 a.m. Godly Play, Side Oratory Chapel inside of Immanuel Chapel 10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II, Immanuel Chapel 3737 Seminary Road, Alexandria, VA

### **Online**

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

### PRIESTS ASSOCIATE

The Rev. Dr. J. Barney Hawkins, IV The Rev. Dr. Ruthanna Hooke The Rev. Jan A. Maas The Rev. John R. Smucker The Rev. Dr. Francis H. Wade

### RECTOR EMERITA

The Rev. Dr. Margaret Ann (Sam) Faeth

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, tively attempting to sense and to serve God's plan with great love. We are guided by Mark 16:15: by ye into all the world and preach the gospel," to learn, discern, and proclaim the Good News by ng active ministers in the various communities where we live and serve.

### **Parish Office**

3606 Seminary Road, Alexandria, VA 22304 Telephone: 703-370-6555, Fax: 703-370-0837

www.icoh.net