

# Immanuel Church-on-the-Hill

## Parish Notes

November 10, 2024

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**IN THE NAME OF JESUS 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. Both chapels offer a fully-staffed nursery for our infant and toddler parishioners.

**Visitors are encouraged to fill out a visitor card — located in the pews or display stands at the entrances of the chapels.** Give your card 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](http://www.icoh.net)).

**Pray for Parishioners:** Aggie Fortune, Ann MacNamara, Barbara Ramsdell, Catherine Sinclair, Cynthia Dolvin, Cynthia Morton, Cy Murphy, Gary and MeiLung DeVight, Joseph, Ken and Mia Mason, Kenny, Lynn Gas, Mable Randolph, Margaret Messenger, Natalie Doyle Hennin, Norma Taliaferro, Rollin Huntington, and Wendy Hoge.

**Pray for Our Friends and Family:** Ann Langdon Days, Anna Woodward, Ashleighana, Barbara Sagan, Betsy Fox Berry, Betty Hicks, Brian and Joyce, Bridget Rice Rose, Carol Ordning, Charlotte Kellogg, Dana De Cecco, Dorothy Gerhart, Felicia Balzano, George Rustigian, Gerald, Gerard Ennis, Jack Allen, Jean Couban, Jean Williams, Jennie Rae, Jessi Napolitano, Jill Lane, Joanne Perla, Joe Micelli, Joseph Fabian, Joseph and Elaine Kelly, Joyce Di Misa, Kathryn Anschutz, Kathy Porter, the Rev. Kelly Moughty, Lavinia Johnson, Lilly Pinner, Linda Gill, Louise Jackson, Lucie Bauer, Lysbeth, Michael, Marcia Richardson, MariAnn Hollis, Marty Childs, Matteo Kabay, McQuade Milligan, Mary Leonard, Mary Muniz, Pamela, Paul, Peter Blackledge, Rebecca Smith, Richard Zitelli, the Rev. Rosa Harper Crawford, Rosemary Wensing, Ryan Willis, Sarah Minor, Shelby Ochs Owen, Soundary Dilan, Stephen Miller, Stephen Spurlock, Susan Little, and Winnie Kidd.

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

**NASA Astronauts on Extended Service Aboard the International Space Station:** Commander Barry "Butch" Wilmore and Pilot Sunita "Suni" Williams.

### ***Praying with Scripture: An Opportunity for Reflection After Eucharist***

**We will not be meeting today but will convene again next Sunday, November 17 – Please join us then!**

Silent prayer or mediation draws us closer to God. When we focus on one of the Sunday scripture passages, we may discover more of God's message to us. We will have the opportunity to explore praying with scripture in the **Octagon Room** off the small Oratory Chapel following the 10:30 a.m. service. Pick up a treat at coffee hour, bring your bulletin, and join us to meditate on one of the scripture passages for the day. Our prayer time will conclude by 12:30 p.m.

# Announcements

## Weekday Worship and Study Opportunities

*All are welcome to participate*

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Morning Prayer Tuesday, November 12<sup>th</sup> @ 10:00 a.m., Zabriskie Chapel

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Noonday Holy Eucharist Rite II, Wednesday, November 13<sup>th</sup>, Zabriskie Chapel

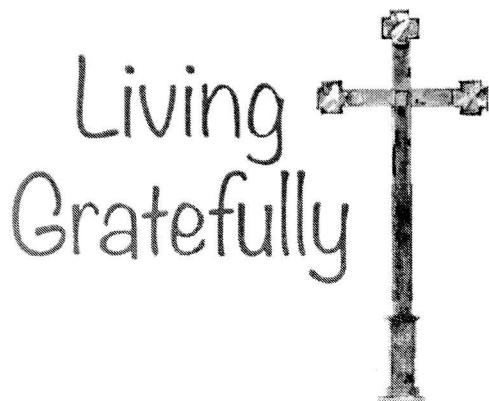
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Weekly Bible Study: *“The Book of Job”*  
Thursday, November 14<sup>th</sup> @10:30 a.m. online via Zoom.  
*Look for login details in your weekly eBlast email.*

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Evening Compline, Friday, November 15<sup>th</sup> @ 8:30 p.m., Online via Zoom

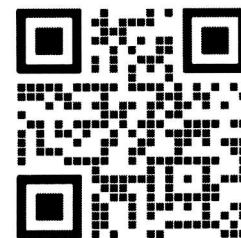
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Our faith tells us that essential aspect of living gratefully is giving back in thanksgiving to God and towards God’s great purposes in the world. To fulfill this crucial part of our faith we announce Immanuel’s **Every Member Pledge Campaign for 2025** with the theme **“Living Gratefully.”** This is an opportunity for all of us to give back to God from all we have been given.

**Immanuel’s Campaign runs from November 3<sup>rd</sup> through Commitment Sunday, November 24<sup>th</sup>.** All parishioners should have now received a pledge packet; if you did not, please let us know! You may use the QR code to make a pledge, or complete a pledge card and mail it to the church office, or place it in the offering plate.

You may also pledge online using Immanuel’s [website](#), by clicking the green *Pledge Here* button.



**Wednesdays in The World** *with The Rev. Sarah Spurlock Biggs*  
***We will gather again this Wednesday, November 13<sup>th</sup>.***

Join her this Wednesday from **10:00a.m. - 12 noon** at the Alexandria Pastry Shop, Bradlee Shopping Center on King Street. All are welcome!

**November - DECEMBER 2024 - IT’S EASY to SIGN UP ONLINE**

Sign-up to Serve in our Sunday Services *through DECEMBER ONLINE* — including Thanksgiving Eve, Feast of Christ the King, Gaudete Sunday and Christmas masses —by visiting the landing page of our website at [www.ICOH.net](http://www.ICOH.net) via Our Red SignUp Genius Button online by visiting the landing page of our website at [ICOH.net](http://ICOH.net)

**Thank you for your participation!**

## SENIOR ADULT MINISTRY AND FELLOWSHIP EVENTS NOVEMBER 2024

**NOVEMBER 13 -VISIT TO THE NATIONAL GALLERY OF ART:** Join Senior Adult Ministry and Fellowship on Wednesday, November 13 to view the exhibit *PARIS 1874 – The Impressionist Moment*. This exhibit was put together by the NGA together with the Musee d'Orsay in Paris and will leave Washington in mid-January to be displayed in Paris. There is no guided tour of this exhibit, so you will be free to view it at your own pace, and we will have plenty of time for lunch at the Cascade Café and shopping in the gift shop. The van will be leaving the Parish Hall parking lot around 10:30am, and we will plan to return no later than 3:00pm. As always, we will offer pick up at either Goodwin House or at The View. There is a \$20 co-pay to ride in the van. There is no cost for admission to the National Gallery.

Please RSVP to Karen Besser at [Karen.Besser@gmail.com](mailto:Karen.Besser@gmail.com) by today, Sunday, November 10.

**NOVEMBER 20 -THIRD WEDNESDAY LUNCH AT GOODWIN HOUSE:** Please join us for luncheon and conversation at Goodwin House-Alexandria. We gather at noon on the third Wednesday of the month, which will be November 20. Please RSVP to Rev. Susan if you are not a resident of Goodwin House and to Susan Kernan if you are a resident.

**NOVEMBER 26 -FOURTH TUESDAY BROWN BAG LUNCH:** Please join us for the last Senior Ministry and Fellowship brown bag lunch of 2024 to take a sneak-peek at what awaits us in 2025! We will be meeting in the Parish Hall at 12:15pm on the fourth Tuesday, November 26. Bring your own sandwich or salad, and Senior Ministry and Fellowship will provide beverages and dessert. There is no cost for this event and no reservation is required.

## Immanuel's Third Annual Blood Drive—SIGN UP NOW!

We are partnering with Inova Hospital for the third time to host a blood drive on **Sunday, November 24**, from noon to 4pm in the Zabriskie parking lot. The link to sign up is now LIVE!! Use the QR code below to pick a time, or you can reach out to Katherine Maas at [katherinemaas@gmail.com](mailto:katherinemaas@gmail.com) You do need to sign up, since they do not take walk-ins.

Blood drives are a meaningful way to help our community—one in seven people entering the hospital need blood and a single car accident victim can require as many as 100 pints of blood. The blood from our drive will likely be used within 48 hours after it ends.

Please see recently updated eligibility guidance on Inova's site [here](#) and on the FDA's site [here](#). If you are not eligible to donate, please consider volunteering at the registration table—even helping out for an hour would help! If you are considering donating for the first time, Inova has some helpful information [here](#). Please contact Katherine with any questions or to express interest in volunteering. Thank you.



[Link To Schedule Appt.](#)

## Change a life! Become a Book Buddy

The Alexandria Tutoring Consortium (ATC) is helping first and second graders learn to read, and they need you! Work with a student once or twice a week, now through May, at one of the following elementary schools: James Polk (9:40 – 10:20) or Ferdinand Day (1:50 – 2:20). ATC provides training, weekly materials, and ongoing support. It is important to honor the year-long commitment because you really do become Book Buddies and your student will look forward to seeing you every week.

For more information contact **Alexa Allmann** at [aallmann@alexandriatutors.org](mailto:aallmann@alexandriatutors.org) or go to <https://alexandriatutors.org/tutors/sign-up-to-become-a-tutor/>

**CLERGY AND STAFF**

The Rev. J. Randolph Alexander, Jr. (ralexander@icoh.net) ..... Rector  
 The Rev. Susan D. Parsons (sparsons@icoh.net) ..... Associate Rector  
 The Rev. Sarah Spurlock Biggs (sspurlockbiggs@icoh.net) ..... Assistant Rector  
 The Rev. Deacon Reggie Hayes (rhayes@vts.edu) ..... Deacon Intern  
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 Gilma Balcarcel ..... Nursery Coordinator  
 Miguelina Guzmann ..... Nursery Assistant  
 Tim Lawhorn ..... Sexton

**THE VESTRY**

Gerry Anderson ..... Senior Warden and Senior Ministry  
 Amy Thomas ..... Junior Warden: Building and Grounds, Creation Care  
 Peter Kent ..... Junior Warden: Administration  
 Taylor Houck ..... Adult Formation and Discipleship  
 Brad Ashton and Philip Brown ..... Stewardship and Planned Giving  
 Julie Bruns ..... Outreach  
 Kathy Lloyd ..... Children, Youth, and Family Ministries  
 Mark Fearer ..... Social Justice and Pastoral Care  
 Brian Rush ..... Evangelism and Newcomers  
 Matt Haskin ..... Worship  
 Caroline Bergmark ..... Registrar, Communications  
 Sophie Johnson, Sydney Onley, David Lloyd, and Isabelle Young-Smith ..... Youth Representatives

**SCHEDULE OF SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES**

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

10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II, Immanuel Chapel  
 3737 Seminary Road, Alexandria, VA

*Online*

[www.immanuel-on-the-hill.org](http://www.immanuel-on-the-hill.org)  
[Immanuel's YouTube channel](#)

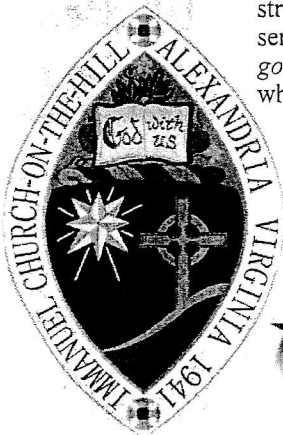
**PRIESTS ASSOCIATE**

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, 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 HOURS**

Weekdays 9:00a.m. - 5:00 p.m.  
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**Ways to GIVE**