

IMMANUEL CHURCH-ON-THE-HILL

Parish Notes
March 29, 2026



**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. Immanuel Chapel offers 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. Please 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).

PRAY FOR PARISHIONERS: Ann MacNamara, Carolyn Ferguson, Catherine Sinclair, Charlene Murphy, Chris von Schoening, Craig Jackson, Cynthia Morton, Debbie Hewson, Dick and Norma Taliaferro, Gary and MeiLung DeVight, Gordon Johnson, Hugh Campbell, Jane, Jim Hobson, Jim and Nancy Wise, Joseph, Kenny, Leif Christoffersen, Marcus, Marda Robillard, Mary Ann Rehnke, Mary Jane Ruhl, Natalie Doyle Hennis, Rollin Huntington, Thom Hussey, and Wendy Hoge.

PRAY FOR OUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY: Andrew Davis, Ann Langdon Days, Ann Woodward, Father Antranig Baljian, Barbara Kellner, Barbara Sagan, Becky Smith, Betsy Fox Berry, Brian and Joyce, Brian Van Buskirk, Bridget Rice Rose, Caleb Lusk, Carol Ording, Charlotte Kellogg, Claire DeMaggio, Cy Murphy, Donna Becker, Frances, George Rustigian, Gerry, Gerry and Nan Hardison, the Howerton Family, Hudson Milligan, Jack Allen, Jean Couban, Jill Perkins, Jodi Wilson, Joseph and Elaine Kelly, Karen Landry, Leea Gorman, , Leslie Perez, Lilly Pinner, Linda Taucher, Louise Jackson, Lysbeth, Madeline, Marcia Richardson, Margie Lidoff, Mary Albach, Mary Horner, Mary Muniz, Matt, McQuade Milligan, Melvyn and Stacy, Michael, Paul, Peter Blackledge, Rosemary Wensing, Russ, Sofia, Soundary Dilan, Stacey, Stephen Miller, Stephen Spurlock, Thomas Henry, Wesley Johnson, Will Boggs, and Winnie Kidd.

Pray for those who are celebrating birthdays this week: David Atwood, Rupal Pujara, Bill Hanvey, Cathy Bryan, Ana Christoffersen, David Soergel, Kathryn Jackson Haskin, Doris Ablard, Melissa Ennis, Caro Page Ian Donahue, Bonnie Fairbank, and Cyrus Murphy Jr.

Those who have died: Victims of the storage facility and home shooting in Amarillo, TX: Aaron Harper, Teodora Garcia-Herrera, and Courtney Holman. *Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon them.*

WEDNESDAYS IN THE WORLD with *The Rev. Sarah Spurlock Biggs RESUMES April 15th*

In observance of Holy Week and Easter Week, *Wednesdays in the World* is cancelled. Join Mother Sarah on **Wednesday, April 15th** at 10 a.m. for coffee and fellowship at the Alexandria Pastry Shop.

All are invited to attend.

Announcements

WEEKDAY WORSHIP AND STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

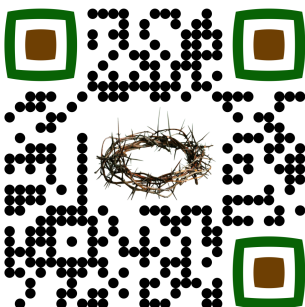
All are welcome to participate

Holy Week and Easter Schedule

March 29	Sunday of the Passion: PALM SUNDAY	8:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist Rite I	Zabriskie Chapel
		10:00 a.m.	Bagpiper-led Procession with Palms to chapel (<i>gather at VTS white post office</i>)	Immanuel Chapel
March 31	Tuesday	10:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer during Holy Week	Zabriskie Chapel
April 1	Wednesday	12 Noon	Holy Eucharist Rite II	Zabriskie Chapel
April 2	Maundy Thursday	10:30 a.m.	Bible Study “ <i>The Book of Genesis</i> ” (All are welcome)	Online via Zoom
		6:30 p.m.	Maundy Thursday Holy Eucharist Rite II with choir, foot washing; followed by overnight watch	Immanuel Chapel
April 3	Good Friday	12 Noon	Good Friday Stations of the Cross	Immanuel Chapel
		6:30 p.m.	The Solemn Liturgy of Good Friday with choir	
April 5	EASTER SUNDAY: Feast of the Resurrection	8:30 p.m.	Compline (Evening Prayer)	Online via Zoom
		7:30 a.m.	Feast of the Resurrection Holy Eucharist Rite I	Zabriskie Chapel
		9:00 a.m.	Feast of the Resurrection Holy Eucharist Rite II with full choir, brass, and timpani	Immanuel Chapel
		10:30 a.m.	Children’s Easter Egg Hunt	VTS Grounds
April 8	<i>Quiet Prayer</i>	11:00 a.m.	Feast of the Resurrection Holy Eucharist Rite II with full choir, brass, and timpani	Immanuel Chapel
		5:15 p.m.	Clergy-led quiet prayer	Oratory Chapel at Immanuel Chapel
April 12	The Second Sunday of Easter	8:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist Rite I	Zabriskie Chapel
		10:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist Rite II with choir	Immanuel Chapel



ALTAR OF REPOSE: JUST TWO MORE NEEDED



If you can help us keep watch by staying in the Oratory Chapel in Immanuel for one hour during the Overnight Prayer Vigil, **Maundy Thursday, April 2nd**, please scan the code at left.

Simply stop, pray and keep watch during the night until 12 noon Good Friday.

Special thanks to the 14 who have signed-up to keep watch!

EASTER MUSIC AND FLOWER DEDICATIONS 2026

As Easter approaches, you are invited to make a donation to help offset the cost of our Easter brass musicians and/or altar flowers for our Easter Sunday Eucharists.

To make a memorial or thanksgiving donation for a loved one, or to make a thanksgiving dedication for some blessing, please complete and send this form along with your check to the Parish Office or place it in the alms box in the narthex. To make your dedications online, scan the QR code below or visit our website and click on "[Easter Flower and Music Dedications](#)" image on our landing page.

Names will be printed in our Easter bulletins for all donations received **by noon on WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1ST**. Please print all names very clearly, or email names to DEDICATIONS@ICOH.NET. Any amount is welcome and appreciated.



FLOWERS: \$ _____

Given by: _____

Phone Number: () _____

In Thanksgiving for:

In Memory of:



SPECIAL MUSIC: \$ _____

Given by: _____

Phone Number: () _____

In Thanksgiving for:

In Memory of:



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SIGN-UP TO SERVE: IT'S EASY AND ONLINE:

Sign-up to Serve in our Sunday Services *through May 2026* ONLINE — including [the Altar of Repose](#) for Maundy Thursday and *Foreign Language Readers* for the Feast of Pentecost — by visiting the landing page of our website at ICOH.net and clicking our **Red SignUp Genius Button** or scanning the QR code at right.



If you're a student planning to spend occasional weekends home, feel free to **sign-up for a Sunday or two during the Lenten season, Easter, and the Feast of Pentecost only**. Training for all lay ministries available upon request. THANK YOU for your participation!



SENIOR ADULT MINISTRY AND FELLOWSHIP APRIL ACTIVITIES:

TRIP to VISIT ST. ROSE OF LIMA: Join us for a trip to Gaithersburg, MD on **Wednesday, April 22** to visit St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church. Christine Jeffery, Director of Adult Education and Adult Faith Formation, will provide thoughts on the varied life of the parish and their sanctuary, designed by Immanuel parishioner **Tom Kerns** in 2006. Tom says, "The geometry of the sanctuary creates 'open palms' to hold 800 congregants in a light filled space infused in the artful use of many materials, including the reuse of a giant tree that was removed to allow for construction." He looks forward to sharing the intimacy of this sacred space, which is about twice the size of Immanuel Chapel.

We will leave the Zabriskie parish hall at 9:30am for our 10:30am tour. Afterwards, we will have lunch at Copper Canyon. We plan to return to the Parish Hall around 2:00pm. Co-pay to ride in the van is \$25. These trips with Tom are extremely popular, so please RSVP early for this event at karen.besser@gmail.com. Additional vans can be rented if the demand exists.

FOURTH TUESDAY BROWN BAG LUNCH: We will meet in the Parish Hall at 12:15pm on **Tuesday, April 28**, for our *rescheduled* program featuring a video of **The Rt. Rev. Mariann Edgar Budde, Bishop of the Diocese of Washington, DC's Mollegen Lecture "The Politics of Mercy"**, delivered on February 3rd at the Virginia Theological Seminary. This film was originally scheduled for our February brown bag, but was cancelled due to weather concerns. Bring your own sandwich or salad, as drinks and dessert will be provided. No RSVP is necessary.

AS ALWAYS, friends and family are welcome to join all Senior Ministry and Fellowship activities.



NEW STORAGE FOR CHRISTMAS FAMILIES MINISTRY NEEDED: For the last 20 years since the fire at the Soergels' house, Christmas Families has been housed at 118 N Washington Street hosted by Christ Church. After many years of looking, Christ Church found a new tenant who will lease the entire building. We have been told that we can no longer use the space we've used over 30 years for rent-free.

We need to move next January and need 400-500 sq. ft. of minimally conditioned space, offering access on nights and weekends. Ideally, a location on the first floor that's easily accessible for loading and unloading. We do not have the budget to find a space that requires us to pay rent.

We ask *everyone* to let us know if they have *any* suggestions. Please contact Rich Hobson, richh777@gmail.com, or Linda Serabian, Serabian@somaarchitects.com. Thank you.



Quiet Prayer Resumes, Wednesday, April 8th @ 5:15 p.m., Oratory Chapel at Immanuel Chapel.

CLERGY AND STAFF

The Rev. J. Randolph Alexander, Jr. (ralexander@icoh.net)	Rector
The Rev. Susan D. Parsons (sparsons@icoh.net)	Associate Rector
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Beatrice Osumba (bosumba@vts.edu)	Seminarian
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Mina Sultani	Nursery Director
Tamana Karima	Nursery Assistant
Miguelina "Mimi" Guzmann	Hospitality Assistant

THE VESTRY

Mark Fearer	Senior Warden
Doug Onley	Junior Warden: Administration
Brian Ply	Junior Warden: Buildings and Grounds
Jennifer W. Greiner	Adult Formation and Discipleship
Rich Hobson	Outreach
Martin Horne	Communications
Taylor Houck	Stewardship and Planned Giving, Registrar
Dave John	Fellowship
Jim Kurz	Senior Ministry
Mary Ann Ring	Children, Youth, and Family Ministries, Newcomers, and Evangelism
Brian Rush	Social Justice
Diana Walker	Worship, Pastoral Care
Sydney Onley	Youth Representative

SCHEDULE OF SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite I, Zabriskie Chapel
 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II, *First Sunday of every month*
 3606 Seminary Road, Alexandria, VA

10:00 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. Sarah Coakley
 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.



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