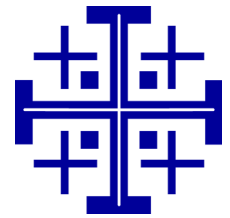




# Immanuel Church-on-the-Hill

## Episcopal/Anglican Alexandria, Virginia



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THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 5, 2024



Holy Eucharist, Rite I, 8:00 a.m.

**CREATION CARE SUNDAY**

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## THE WORD OF GOD

### Opening Acclamation

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Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ is risen.  
People: *The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.*

### The Collect for Purity

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### *The Gloria*

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### The Collect of the Day

The Lord be with you.  
People: *And with thy spirit.*  
Celebrant: Let us pray.

O God, who hast prepared for those who love thee such good things as pass man's understanding: Pour into our hearts such love toward thee, that we, loving thee in all things and above all things, may obtain thy promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

### The First Lesson: Acts 10:44-48

While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, "Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?" So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

The Word of the Lord  
Response: *Thanks be to God.*



## Psalm 98 *Cantate Domino*

- 1 Sing to the Lord a new song, \*  
for he has done marvelous things.
- 2 With his right hand and his holy arm \*  
has he won for himself the victory.
- 3 The Lord has made known his victory; \*  
his righteousness has he openly shown in the sight of the nations.
- 4 He remembers his mercy and faithfulness to the house of Israel, \*  
and all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.
- 5 Shout with joy to the Lord, all you lands; \*  
lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.
- 6 Sing to the Lord with the harp, \*  
with the harp and the voice of song.
- 7 With trumpets and the sound of the horn \*  
shout with joy before the King, the Lord.
- 8 Let the sea make a noise and all that is in it, \*  
the lands and those who dwell therein.
- 9 Let the rivers clap their hands, \*  
and let the hills ring out with joy before the Lord,  
when he comes to judge the earth.
- 10 In righteousness shall he judge the world \*  
and the peoples with equity.

## The Epistle: 1 John 5:1-6

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth.

The word of the Lord

Response: *Thanks be to God.*

## The Holy Gospel: John 15:9-17

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to John  
Response: *Glory be to thee, O Lord.*

Jesus said to his disciples, "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower. He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples."

The Gospel of the Lord  
Response: *Praise be to thee, O Christ.*

**The Sermon:** The Rev. Deacon Luke Selles, Seminarian

## The Nicene Creed

*We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.*

*We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father.  
Through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven:  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.*

*We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.  
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.  
He has spoken through the Prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.*

## The Prayers of the People : **CREATION CARE**

Leader: Holy God, you created the heavens and the earth. You breathed on humanity the gift of the Holy Spirit. We pray for the Church around the world, remembering especially Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury, Michael, our Presiding Bishop, and Mark, Gail, and James, our bishops. We pray for Randy, Susan, and Sarah, our priests, for Reggie, our intern, for Luke, our Deacon, and for our Priests Associate. For the wonder of your Church,  
To you, Lord,

People: *We offer our thanks and praise.*

Leader: God of all, you have entrusted the care of your creation and your children to us. Grant all leaders the wisdom to do the work you have given them to do in care of your creation. Guide them in fairness and justice that we may see the fullness of your kingdom in this world. We pray especially for all those charged with seeking peace in places of conflict, including Russia and Ukraine, Israel and Gaza, Haiti, and Sudan.  
To you, Lord,

People: *We offer our thanks and praise.*

Leader: God of all Creation, Jesus taught that the lilies of the field, the vines in their vineyards, and the grains of the harvest all reveal your love. You are seen in the earth's abundant vegetation, for the plants of the earth,  
To you, Lord,

People: *We offer our thanks and praise.*

Leader: Creator God, animals, birds, and fish fill your world. We are overwhelmed by the beauty of the many animals you created, from the tiny spiders who weave intricate webs to the whales who traverse the sea.  
For creatures great and small,  
To you, Lord,

People: *We offer our thanks and praise.*

Leader: God of Creation, John baptized Jesus in the Jordan River; Jesus stilled the storm on the Sea of Galilee. We give thanks for the water of Baptism – and we give thanks for our local bays, lakes, rivers, and streams. For the gift of water,  
To you, Lord,

People: *We offer our thanks and praise.*

Leader: Source of life, heal and redeem the wounds of your creation, and visit anyone who suffers especially those on our parish prayer list. You will make all things new.  
To you, Lord,

People: *We offer our thanks and praise.*

Clergy: Creator God, bless our lament.  
Bless the tear we shed for the resources we have squandered.  
Bless the sigh we breathe out for the atmosphere.  
Bless the head we hang for the creatures lost and exploited.  
Bless the hands we wring for the things we have broken and wasted.  
Bless us as we lament.  
Cradle us as we regret.  
Restore us as we start afresh. *(this petition by John Polhill)*

People: *Amen.*

Clergy: Creating God, your Son wept at the grave of his friend Lazarus and promised paradise to the thief on the cross. Create in us clean hearts and receive into the arms of your mercy all who have died. For the assurance of life eternal,  
To you, Lord,

People: *We offer our thanks and praise.*

Celebrant: Loving God, you are the Creator of heaven and earth, of all that is seen and unseen; you call us to be stewards of all that you have made. Keep us mindful of our promise to care for your creation, and give us the hope and courage we need to preserve and protect your fragile world; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: *Amen.*

## Confession of Sin and Absolution

Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

*Most merciful God,  
we confess that we have sinned against thee  
in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done,  
and by what we have left undone.  
We have not loved thee with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.  
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.  
For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ,  
have mercy on us and forgive us;  
that we may delight in thy will,  
and walk in thy ways,  
to the glory of thy Name. Amen.*

## The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: *And with thy spirit.*

## Welcome and Announcements

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

### The Offertory

Clergy: All things come of thee, O Lord; *and of thine own have we given thee.* p. 343

### The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer II p. 340

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.  
People: *And with thy spirit.*  
Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.  
People: *We lift them up unto the Lord.*  
Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
People: *It is meet and right so to do.*

### *Sanctus and Benedictus* p. 334

Celebrant *Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:*  
and People *Heaven and earth are full of thy Glory.*  
*Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.*

*Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.*  
*Hosanna in the highest.*

### The Lord's Prayer p. 336

## THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant: Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us p. 337  
People: *Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.*

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, *have mercy upon us.*  
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, *have mercy upon us.*  
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, *grant us thy peace.*

*If you are physically unable to come to the Altar, please let an usher know  
that you would like to have Communion brought to you.*

## Post Communion Prayer

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*Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end.  
Amen.*

## The Blessing

### The Dismissal

Clergy: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, Alleluia.  
People: *Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.*

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*The flowers on and around the Altar are given to the glory of God by Brian and Katherine Scarlett in honor of their son Jack's grandparents, **Lee and Doris Hewitt, and Jack and Frieda Chappell** on the day of Jack's Baptism.*

*Today's Altar flowers are native wildflower species. Though less showy than hothouse flowers, they attract and feed local pollinators.  
They will be planted in the gardens at Zabriskie Chapel.  
We thank the Scarlett Family for their generous donation.*

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**SERVING AT THIS EUCHARIST:**     *Reader/Intercessor:* Susan Gildersleeve  
   *Usher:* Doug Henry  
   *Altar Guild:* Susan Gildersleeve  
   *Flower Guild:* Sarah Glassco  
   *Coffee Hour Host:* Sudie McGahuey  
   *Celebrant:* The Rev. J. Randolph Alexander



# CREATION CARE SUNDAY AT IMMANUEL

The Episcopal Church's **Covenant for the Care of Creation** is a commitment to practice loving formation, liberating advocacy, and life-giving conservation as individuals, congregations, ministries, and dioceses. Immanuel's Creation Care Ministry Team uses this covenant as our guide.

In Jesus, God so loved the whole world. We follow Jesus, so we love the world God loves. Concerned about the global climate emergency, drawing from a range of approaches for our diverse contexts, we commit to form and restore loving, liberating, life-giving relationships with all of Creation.

**LOVING FORMATION:** For God's sake, we will grow our love for the Earth and all of life through preaching, teaching, storytelling, and prayer.

**LIBERATING ADVOCACY:** For God's sake, standing alongside marginalized, vulnerable peoples, we will advocate and act to repair Creation and seek the liberation and flourishing of all people.

**LIFE-GIVING CONSERVATION:** For God's sake, we will adopt practical ways of reducing our climate impact and living more humbly and gently on Earth as individuals, households, congregations, institutions, and dioceses.

To learn more about Immanuel's Creation Care Ministry Team, contact Denise Freeland at [eco.voce@verizon.net](mailto:eco.voce@verizon.net).

We invite you to visit our website for hopeful and helpful information at [www.icoh.net](http://www.icoh.net) or find this bulletin on our website under "Worship Service Bulletins" under the "Worship" tab, and click on the recycle icon on the back page under the masthead.

## RECOGNITION

Seed packets distributed today are offered in honor of all Immanuel gardeners — past and present — who have generously given their time and expertise to beautify our Memorial Garden and Grounds. Their loving commitment enables our gardens to flourish and bloom.

## CREATION CARE NEWS

### Immanuel Solar Update

Immanuel's solar panels will soon have been operating for two years. The SolarEdge monitoring application measures the amount of electricity generated since our church solar sys went operational (on June 7, 2022). Click on this link [Immanuel Church-on-the-Hill](#) to see what our solar panels generate each day, week, month, or year.

### Environmental Benefits:

As of April 30, 2024, our solar panels

- **Prevented emitting over 178,000 pounds of carbon dioxide** into the atmosphere, equivalent to
  - **Planting 1,342 new trees** or
  - **Supplying a year of carbon-emissions-free electricity for 17 houses** (per U.S. Energy Information Administration, average annual electricity consumption for an American household in 2021 was 10,632 kWh)

- **Generated 72% of the electricity Zabriskie Chapel-Parish Hall needed between January and December 2023**—nearly three quarters of the electricity our church needed for the year came from our clean, sustainable solar panels!

**Cost Savings for 2023:**

**70 % Savings on Electricity Bills:** Even though the church building used about the same amount of electricity in both 2021 (pre-solar) and 2023 (12 months of solar), because our solar panels generated 72% of the electricity needed during 2023, Immanuel only spent **\$2,906.41 on Dominion electricity bills – a savings of \$6,808.21 over what we spent on electricity in 2021 (\$9,714.62).**

- **Bonus – SREC Payments:** In addition to electricity bill savings, Immanuel receives approximately \$3,150/year from the Virginia Solar Renewable Energy Credit (SREC) program. SRECs are a performance-based incentive that let a solar system’s owner (Immanuel Church on-the-Hill) earn additional income from solar electricity generation. **Immanuel received \$3,146.70 for the solar electricity generated by our panels during 2023.**

**When Immanuel’s 2023 SREC earnings (+\$3,146.70) are applied to its 2023 electricity costs (-\$2,906.41), Immanuel spent less than \$0 on electricity last year! In fact, the solar panels gave us a net positive of + \$240.29. Let us celebrate this fragile earth, our island home, and cut our carbon emissions wherever and whenever we can!!!**

<b>Immanuel Zabriskie Chapel-Parish Hall Building</b>				
<b>Year</b>	<b>Electricity Used (kWh)</b>	<b>Electricity Cost</b>	<b>SREC Earnings</b>	<b>Electricity Actual Cost</b>
2023	86,670	\$2,906.41	\$3,146.70	<b>(-\$240.29)</b>
2021	85,040	\$9,714.62		

**Alexandria Residential Solar Info**

[Solarize Alexandria](#), a program that provides residents guidance and resources for installing home solar power systems, is holding its annual campaign **through Sunday, June 30, 2024**. During this period, Alexandria homeowners can [sign up](#) to receive a free solar satellite assessment of their property and discounted prices from vetted solar system installers.

This year marks the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Solarize Alexandria! Solarize Alexandria is part of the broader Solarize Virginia program, a grassroots, community-based outreach initiative managed by the state non-profit Local Energy Alliance Program (LEAP). LEAP provides ongoing customer support and education throughout the Solarize process. To sign up for free or learn more information, go to [solarizeva.org](http://solarizeva.org).



### **A Celebration for Zabriskie Society Members and Friends**

Music filled the air and cherry blossoms were everywhere! Forty-five parishioners gathered on Saturday afternoon, April 20, for a festive and fun-filled reception to honor and thank our Zabriskie Society members.

These parishioners have made arrangements to support Immanuel with a future, planned gift through their will, life insurance, retirement plan, financial account, or other program. Festivities included lots of time for socializing, abundant food – including a cherry tart for dessert – and cherry blossom-themed party favors.

**Father Randy** inspired all with his remarks about how the endowment has grown during his rectorship from several hundred thousand dollars to well over a million dollars today. He commented on the significant role the endowment plays in Immanuel's financial life today and for its future.

**Wilton Corkern**, Chair of Immanuel's Trustees, introduced Trustees in attendance and their role monitoring the endowment.

**Kerry Kelly Wade**, co-planner of the event, reminded everyone that making a planned gift allows us to imagine the ministries we will be supporting one hundred years from now. We can imagine the impact a future gift will have!

This festive reception was blessed to have vital help from these creative, dedicated, and hard-working volunteers: **Phyllis Sims, Linda Donahue, Diana Walker, Diane Adams, Danette (Dani) Kauffman, and Kerry Kelly Wade.**

If you would like more information about making a planned gift, pick up a copy of *Your Generosity Lives On – Planned Giving at Immanuel* found in Zabriskie Chapel brochure racks or contact Dani Kauffman.

**Linda Donahue, Diana Walker, and Phyllis Sims volunteered their creative talents, time, and hard work**



Frank Wade, Hartley Hobson Wensing, Kay Hobson, and Jennifer Greiner enjoy party festivities.

Parishioners enjoyed a dessert of cherry tarts, each decorated with a chocolate garnish in the shape of the Zabriskie Society's infinity logo.

In his remarks, Father Randy reminded all that the generosity and impact of a planned gift stretches into infinity.

Parishioners gathered for a Festive Reception on April 20, 2024, to thank and honor our Zabriskie Society members who have made a commitment to Immanuel's strong future with a planned gift.



# IMMANUEL CHURCH-ON-THE-HILL

## Parish Notes

### May 5, 2024

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**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. 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:** Gilma Balcarcel, Philip and Colette Brown, Natalie Doyle Hennin, Rollin Huntington, Marianne Ingold, Johnson/Gildersleeve Family, Joseph, Kenny, Norma Jean Lawton, Ann MacNamara, Cynthia Morton, Linda and Cy Murphy, Mable Randolph, Tony Rogers, Catherine Sinclair, Norma Taliaferro, Francine Wargo, Zuzanna and Spencer Wise.

**PRAY FOR OUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY:** Jack Allen, Kathryn Anschutz, Dave and Betsy Fox Berry, Peter Blackledge, Jean Couban, Steve Davis, Dana DeCecco, Joyce Di Missa, Joseph Fabian, Gerald, Linda Gill, Betty Hicks, Louise Jackson, Joanne, Tom Kellner, Charlotte Kellogg, Joseph and Elaine Kelly, Winnie Kidd, Lillian Kozuma, Ann Langdon-Days, Lysbeth, Marge McGoff, Joe Miceli, Michael, Stephen Miller, McQuade Milligan, Mary Muniz, Carol Ording, Shelby Ochs Owen, Pamela, Paul, Lilly Pinner, Jennie Rae, Sue Rehnke, Roger, Emily Rogers, Bridget Rice Rose, Shawn Rush, George Rustigian, Barbara Sagan, Brother Efrain Sosu, Stephen Spurlock, Fred Vipperman, Mark Vipperman, Rosemary Wensing, Jean Williams, Ryan Willis, and Richard Zitelli.

**Pray for those who are celebrating birthdays this week:** Martha Shimkin, Lucas Thompson, Gordon Johnson, Mark Loach, Jessica Turner, Kristi Kubista-Hovis, Linda Serabian, Briggs Burkhalter, Madison Eaton, Mark Fearer, Marjorie Glassco, Chandley McDonald, Benjamin Arp, Andy Biache, Alisa Pereira, Phoebe LaMountain, Thomas Wirth, Anne Patton, Aria Enright, Adeline Haskin, John Richards, Jay Sheffer, Marisa Temoshok, Zoe Powell-Switaj, and Geoff Sheffer.

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

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## **SPRING PARISH POTLUCK TODAY AT 11:45AM, ZABRISKIE PARISH HALL AND GARDEN**

Join us for a spring parish potluck, after this service, in the Parish Hall and the Garden. Parishioners are asked to please bring enough to share with 8-10 people. Mark your dish with your name and plan to take your leftovers home with you. Volunteers for set up, helping to refill items during the potluck, and clean up are needed and welcome - see Kathryn Jackson Haskin.

Whether you have a dish to share or not, **all are invited to join us** for food, fun, and fellowship!

# Announcements

## WEEKDAY WORSHIP AND STUDY OPPORTUNITIES *All are welcome to participate*

Morning Prayer Tuesday, May 7<sup>th</sup> @ 10:00 a.m., Zabriskie Chapel

Noonday Holy Eucharist Rite II, Wednesday, May 8<sup>th</sup>, Zabriskie Chapel

Weekly Bible Study "*The Gospel of Matthew: Book of the Messiah*"  
resumes Thursday, May 9<sup>th</sup> @10:30 a.m. online via Zoom.  
*Look for login details in your weekly eBlast email.*

Evening Compline, Friday, May 10<sup>th</sup> @ 8:30 p.m., Online via Zoom

**Immanuel's Children's Chapel meets each Sunday, 10:00 --10:25a.m, in the Oratory at Immanuel Chapel!** (The Oratory is a small chapel on the other end of the hallway—opposite the parlor/coffee hour). Our Children's Chapel is a 25-minute service rich with prayer, Bible stories, music, and reflections to teach our children about God's love. **All are welcome!**

## MONTHLY SATURDAY BREAKFAST BIBLE STUDY *Saturday, MAY 18<sup>th</sup>, 8:00 AM Held Online via Zoom*

Join Immanuel's monthly Saturday morning Breakfast Bible Study on Saturday, April 20<sup>th</sup> online 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 for 2024 is *Anxiety!* This month we will read **Matthew 6:25–34** "*I am telling you not to worry about your life...Can any of you...add one single cubit to your span of life?...will (your Father) not...look after you?*" using the African Model of Reflection. For more information, please visit [our webpage "Breakfast Bible Study"](#), or contact Chrissie Crosby at [cmcfaddencrosby@gmail.com](mailto:cmcfaddencrosby@gmail.com).

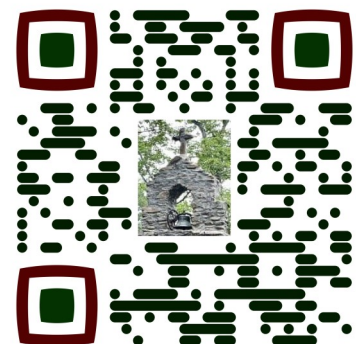
[Join Zoom Saturday Breakfast Bible Study Meeting](#) / Meeting ID: 959 5450 6553 /Passcode: 027913

## REGISTER NOW for the SHRINE MONT PARISH RETREAT

Our parish retreat at Shrine Mont is Memorial Day weekend. The retreat officially **begins on Saturday, May 25<sup>th</sup>**, at noon and ends after breakfast on Monday, May 27<sup>th</sup>. There will be time throughout the weekend to get to know new friends, reconnect with those you've known for years, enjoy nature, and worship together.

The details, including fees, how to register, and frequently-asked questions, can all be found on our website: just scan the QR code at right.

See you at Shrine Mont!



## CREATION CARE NEWS

While Alexandria City is honoring Earth Month throughout April, our Ministry Team invites you to view Immanuel's Creation Care Website for some very hopeful and helpful information reflecting our actions in caring for our fragile island home, planet Earth.

To visit our webpage, please scan the code at right.



## EASY WAY TO SIGN UP: MAY-JULY

Sign up to Serve in our Sunday Services *through Pentecost, June and July* ONLINE via Our **Red SignUp Genius Button**.

Please sign up to serve as a Reader, Intercessor, Usher, Acolyte, Altar Guild Server, Crucifer and/or Chalice Bearer online via [SignUp Genius](#) for Immanuel by visiting the landing page of our website at [www.ICOH.net](http://www.ICOH.net) and [clicking on the red button](#). **If you're a student — or planning Summer travel — feel free to sign-up for the Feast of Pentecost only.**



If you are a first-timer and need training, please contact Agnes at the office on **Wednesdays from 10:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.** (ext. #206), or via email at [asoos@icoh.net](mailto:asoos@icoh.net). Finally, if you need training for a particular ministry, please send a request to Mother Susan at [sparsons@icoh.net](mailto:sparsons@icoh.net) or indicate so in the comments box under your name on the online form. **THANK YOU — especially to all who have signed-up!**

## SENIOR ADULT MINISTRY EVENTS

### **Tuesday, May 28th Senior Ministry Brown Bag Lunch with Guest Speaker TOM KERNS,**

**12 Noon, Parish Hall:** Our May brown bag luncheon will feature fellow parishioner and architect Tom Kerns, who will share with us his experience designing the beautiful Epiphany of Our Lord Byzantine Catholic Church, Annandale, VA. You will want to hear this presentation before our June outing, which will be a visit to Epiphany with Tom to see the church and enjoy its icons in the setting that he designed.

### **Tuesday, June 25th: Senior Ministry Brown Bag Lunch with Guest Speaker THE REV. PETER**

**ACKERMAN:** Immanuel's former Assistant Rector the Rev. Peter Ackerman, now Rector of the historic Christ Episcopal Church, Chaptico, St. Mary's County, MD, will tell us about his recently published memoir, *Mom, Dad, Me and Classic TV-Growing Up with Classic Television's Harry Ackerman and Elinor Donahue*.

You won't want to miss any of these activities, so please watch for announcements of dates and times, and schedule them into your busy spring calendars. For questions and to RSVP, please contact Karen directly at [Karen.Besser@gmail.com](mailto:Karen.Besser@gmail.com)

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 Stuart Dahlinger ..... Sexton

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 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  
 Philip Brown ..... Fellowship  
 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  
 9:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II, Zabriskie Chapel  
 3606 Seminary Road, Alexandria, VA  
  
 10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II, Immanuel Chapel  
 3737 Seminary Road, Alexandria, VA

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 The Rev. John R. Smucker  
 The Rev. Dr. Francis H. Wade

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