

"Hope is not a lottery ticket you can sit on the sofa and clutch, feeling lucky. It is an axe you break down doors with in an emergency. Hope should shove you out the door, because it will take everything you have to steer the future away from endless war, from the annihilation of the earth's treasures and the grinding down of the poor and marginal... To hope is to give yourself to the future - and that commitment to the future is what makes the present inhabitable."

— Rebecca Solnit, Hope in the Dark

Legacy Sunday

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY Legacy Sunday, May 3rd

PREPARATION FOR THE WORD

PRELUDE Meet to Worship W. Moore

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS & INVITATION TO PRAYER

INVOCATION

LEGACY SUNDAY STORIES

INTROIT Wild Blooming Love B. Kluttz/L.Martin

Billy Kluttz & Abby Madden

CALL TO WORSHIP

Liz Pruchnicki

Please note that today's hymns are included at the end of the bulletin. Thank you!

HYMN Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

PRAYER OF APPROACH & CONFESSION

O Joy of Heaven, You have come down to earth.

You make Your home among us and Your Spirit breathes in us!

From generation to generation, Your Divine Love has been at work

In the support of community, in the courage of those who do the work of caring, And in the varied gifts and talents we have been given.

We praise You for the legacy of compassion and creativity

That has been passed on to us all.

We confess that the new creation You have begun in us and the world

Sometimes seems so far from finished.

Our worries and fears, resentments and insecurities,

Too often seem to get the upper hand.

But we trust that You are indeed working Your purpose out,

That our willingness to be of service to You and others is part of how that happens,

And that Your grace meets us where we are and transforms us

Into who we can be for Love's sake.

SILENT PRAYER WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Leader: Hear the sound of love poured out.

(The baptismal font is filled. As Christians, we are united in community through the waters of Baptism. Water is poured as a reminder that God claims, forgives, and renews us to live out God's love as a community of faith.)

Leader: O Lord, open our lips.

People: And our mouths will declare Your praise.

Leader: Praise the Lord.

People: The Lord's name be praised.

GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.

MOMENT FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

Rev. Susan Graceson

M. Haugen

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

ANTHEM Shepherd Me, O God

Sarah Sherman, soloist

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE Acts 2:42-47

SERMON "Signs and Wonders in a Troubling Time" Rev. Fulp-Eickstaedt

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

HYMN OF RESPONSE My Shepherd Will Supply My Need

LEGACY SUNDAY STORIES

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Rev. Strednak Singer & Rev. Kluttz

THE GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY Hyfrydol R. Prichard

DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Leader: Bless the Lord, O my soul.

People: And all that is within me bless God's holy name.

Leader: Bless the Lord, O my soul.

People: And forget not all God's benefits.

UNISON PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Holy One,

In days such as these, our gratitude crystalizes

And our eyes are open to the blessings

That we too often overlook.

So today we give thanks once again

For clean water, for daily bread,

For community, even across the miles.

Hear the gratitude of our hearts,

And receive the gifts of our lives,

As we seek to serve you in our giving and our living.

We pray this and more to You,

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name.

Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil;

For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

LEGACY SUNDAY STORIES

HYMN OF SENDING

Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones

CHARGE & BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE Hymn to Joy

L. Beethoven

Announcements Concerning Our Lives Together

Welcome to all those worshipping with us today! New to Immanuel? Please take a few moments to let us know about yourself - simply scan the QR code to the right to get started!



Share "Celebrations & Concerns" in Small Groups this Sunday!

Grab your cup of coffee and join your church family on Zoom this morning from 11:00-11:30am. Upon being admitted from the virtual waiting room, we'll divide into breakout rooms to share our celebration and concerns in small groups. Then at 11:20am,

we'll reunite as a whole for a prayer together led by one of Immanuel's pastors. Join your faith family to laugh and lament as we lift our prayers to God together.

Matthew 25 Challenge: Sending Notes of Love to Chesterbrook Residences

As we continue to pray for so many during the Covid-19 pandemic, Immanuelites and friends are invited to pray for and send cards of support, love, and encouragement to staff and residents at Chesterbrook Residences. As you may be aware, thirteen residents and nine staff members have tested positive for Covid-19. Also, residents have been sheltering-in-place in their own rooms for weeks and staff are working hard to provide care. Simply address your card or note to "Staff Member" (including Vijay Maharajan, the Executive Director) or "Resident" (including Immanuelites John Rainbolt, Ellen Sato, Dee Erickson, and Ann Lindstrom) with the address below. Let's shower Chesterbrook with our prayers and cards of love this week!

Chesterbrook Residences / 2030 Westmoreland Street / Falls Church, VA 22043

New Ways to Give...

In response to the evolving challenges of COVID-19, we want to remind everyone of alternative tithing options which allow us to continue to operate and manage our church during this time.

- Click <u>here</u> for secure online giving.
- Would you prefer to set up an ACH direct debit from your bank account? Simply fill out this form, then scan and e-mail it to Mary Ann Vaughan.
- Immanuel's new 'Text to Give' telephone number is 833-756-0284. <u>Click here</u> for instructions!
- Our members can also download the $\underline{\text{Give Plus app}}$ and search for our church to make donations.
- Any checks that are being mailed should temporarily be mailed to: Mary Ann Vaughan. Please <u>email her</u> for the mailing address. Please continue to make checks payable to Immanuel. Thank you!

2020 ENDOWMENT GRANT RECIPIENTS and PROJECTS

"Divinity Within Wellness" Retreat (\$1,950). Jesus calls us to love our neighbors as ourselves. This retreat will guide us in growing our ability to work with our own minds, bodies, and spirits as a foundation for extending non-judgement, compassion, and love to ourselves and others. Led by IPC's youth and young adult leaders, it will invite youth and young adults to engage with inter-generational speakers, spiritual practices, wellbeing techniques, positive psychology, and scientifically proven mindfulness practices to reflect on what it means, scientifically and spiritually, to truly love ourselves so that we can better embody the love of Christ in the world.

The Harraseeket Foundation's Pathways Fund (\$2,350). Harraseeket supports the IPC Pathways vocation exploration program for Immanuel youth and young adults. The Pathways Fund will award grants to Northern Virginia low income, at-risk high school students to encourage them to take unpaid internships that inform their vocation choices and to support career guidance programs for these students. Harraseeket is partnering with Communities in Schools of NOVA for selection of students and administration of grants.

Chesterbrook Residences, Inc. (\$1,000). CRI owns and operates Chesterbrook Residences, a mixed-income assisted living facility in Falls Church. IPC is a member of CRI, as are Lewinsville Presbyterian Church and Temple Rodef Shalom. CRI will use the 2020 grant to help undertake an in-depth survey of Chesterbrook residents to identify measures to improve their quality of life. The grant will serve as seed money to help defray the cost of the project.

Memory Café for Seniors (\$3,000). IPC's Healthcare Navigation Team has received a grant to start a Memory Café at Immanuel. Memory Cafés engage those who are afflicted with memory loss (dementia, Parkinson's, Alzheimer's, etc.) and their caregivers by offering fellowship and a variety of activities: crafts, games, education, etc., along with refreshments. Immanuel's Memory Café will be open to Immanuel members and to the community.

Artstream and Immanuel's Children (\$600). IPC's Children's Ministry Team has received a grant that will enable Immanuel's children to stage a theatrical production with the performers of ArtStream, a local theater company for children and adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities. The show will be open to the church and the community for a \$10 minimum suggested donation per person. All proceeds will benefit ArtStream.

Allyship Workshop (\$1,700). Funding from the endowment will enable IPC's Spirituality and Learning Committee to bring Allyship Training to thirty members of our congregation as IPC's next step in our education about dismantling racism. Allyship is "an active way of life that calls us to serve as bridge-builders: empathizing with those who are marginalized, engaging those who feel apathetic, and creating community with those who are disconnected." Our Saturday day long workshop will equip participants with the framework, skills, and tools necessary to advance social justice in our everyday lives.

Children's Books for Share (\$400). Bill Pratt, a long-time volunteer at Share of McLean, is purchasing 50 children's books in Spanish to give to clients of Share. Although Share receives donations of children's books, most are in English, which many clients find difficult to read. During the coronavirus pandemic, Share is only accepting food and personal hygiene items; however, as soon he can, Bill will deliver children's favorites such as *Dr. Seuss, Jack and the Beanstalk*, and a book of traditional Latin American tales, *Beunas Noches Luna*.

IPC Earth Day Native Tree Giveaway (\$1,000). To celebrate the 50th anniversary of Earth Day and the spring season, Immanuel will be conducting a native tree give-away. Native Virginia trees were chosen because these species serve as the basis for local ecosystems. Planting a tree sets the framework for future ecosystems and future generations. This tree give-away seeks to honor God's creation, Earth, and our collaborative responsibility to care. To reserve your tree for pick up on May 9th, click here.

Students Helping Honduras (\$5,543). In 2012, SHH opened the Bilingual School in Villa Soleada, Honduras, with 48 students from a previous riverbed shanty slum. By this summer, the Bilingual School population has grown to 276, with the oldest students graduating from middle school. SHH is in the process of building a high school building for their ongoing education, but lacked funding for related bathrooms and wash stations. SHH's experience shows that students, and girls especially, are less likely to miss school if they have access to bathrooms. Immanuel's contribution means improved hygiene, sanitation, and health for SHH's Bilingual School students and a much better educational program.

IPC's Community Garden (\$618). Sam Bennett and Boy Scout Troop #128 will be automating our garden so it is watered and fertilized based on soil moisture and the weather. This will conserve water and should dramatically increase the crop yield. The control system of the project will be built from a microcomputer, called a Raspberry Pi, run by solar power, using weather data and an in-ground moisture sensor. If there is a high chance of rain in the forecast or the soil is sufficiently moist, the control system will not activate the watering

ystem. If there is no rain in the forecast and the soil is dry, the watering system will be urned on. Every 10 days or so the control system will apply liquid Miracle Grow fertilizer.	;

THIS WEEK ON ZOOM!

Weekly Events:

Faith Matters

Mondays at 1:30 p.m. (via conference call)

AA Open Meeting (with Pastor Susan)

Mondays at 12:00 p.m.

Men's Bible Study

Tuesdays at 7:30 a.m.

Grace Yoga with Kathy Bagden

Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m.

Coffee & Kerygma

Wednesdays at 8:00 a.m.

AA Open Meeting

Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m.

Lectionary Group

Thursdays at 9:30 a.m.

Online Worship Service

Sundays at 10:00 a.m.

Pastor Susan Zoom w/IPC Kids

Sundays at 3:00 p.m.

Special Events:

POLO Check-In

(Parents of Little Ones)
Monday, May 4 at 8:30 p.m.

Immanuel Book Group
(Monthly)

Tuesday, May 12 at 12:00 p.m.

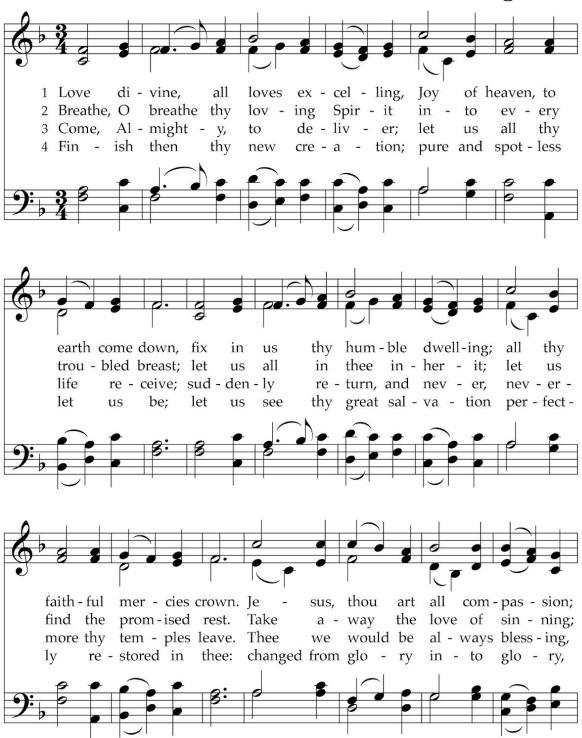
Immanuel Midweek Service

Wednesday, May 6 at 7:15 p.m.

Young Adult Game Night

Sunday, May 3 at 6:30 p.m.

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