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Celebrating 140 Years
Immanuel's Messenger
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From the Rector:

Summer Fun Arriving Soon!

Who says church slows down in the summer? We have many fun events for you, your family, and your friends. Take a look and mark your calendar!

“Mass in the Grass” and Summer Social Sunday- **On July 15 at 4pm** we will hold a casual, outdoor Eucharist followed by a cookout. Main dish, drinks, and dessert will be provided. Please bring chips, fruit, or a side dish to share. Bring your kids’ bike or tricycle (and helmet!) and we’ll park cars around the circle and cemetery entrance so part of the lot can be used for bikes. There will also be footballs and basketballs and plenty of time for kids to run and play the remainder of the day away!

“Pick Your Own Hymns Sundays” with special sermon series- We will hold three of these this year. Due to travel schedules, they cannot fall on the first Sundays like last year, but instead will take place **June 17, July 29, and August 26**. At each “Pick your own hymns Sunday,” you will be invited to list a hymn or two you would love to sing along with its number on a card. Then, every time we reach a point in the service when we sing a hymn, a card will be pulled from the basket and we sing it! Every hymn from any season is fair game! The sermon on these days will be a fun and educational series talking about a particular hymn, its words, and/or its composer so we can

learn about and celebrate our wide diversity of music.

Please make a special note of these dates and make an effort to be here if you are in town. These will be wonderful ways for our parish to have some summer fun together! And don’t forget to note Jen Newgent’s listing of summer concert dates below.

- The Rev. Megan Stewart-Sicking

From our Music Department...

Summer Concert Series!

On June 24, at 4pm - "500 Years of Music for Guitar," in which guitarist/composer Peter Griggs explores the music of the classical guitar, from the Renaissance to the Contemporary. The program will include music by Gaspar Sanz, Johann Sebastian Bach, Bartolome Calatuyud, Django Rheinhardt and Thelonious Monk, as well as Flamenco, Brazilian music and several of Griggs' own compositions.

Peter Griggs is a guitarist and composer from New York City. Over the last several years, he has presented more than 350 solo guitar concerts in the USA, United Kingdom, Germany, and

elsewhere in Europe at art centres, museums, festivals, churches, jazz clubs and other venues. He performs classical music of all periods, as well as jazz, Brazilian music, flamenco and his own compositions.

And put on your calendars:

July 22 - The Missing Chums will join us for worship and then present a concert during an extra special coffee hour.

August 12, 4pm - Early Music with Jen and Friends - I've been collecting my friends and their instruments for a concert of music written before 1750. Instruments of various kinds and combinations will be represented - including some that you probably have never seen before!

The choir season this year was wonderful! We in the adult choir have had a lot of fun learning new pieces, revisiting old favorites, meeting some new people, and in general making beautiful music. I thank the members of the choir for all their time, energy, and commitment, and look forward to next year! Also, the children's choir has grown tremendously this year - they are singing higher notes than they could before and sounding prettier while they do it! And they are a lot of fun! I thank all the children for their time and energy, and their parents for making sure they make it to rehearsal.

Adult Choir:

Susan Baxter
Andrea Bowman
Page Crosby
Savitri Gauthier
Kara Molesworth
David Morris
Paul Schlitz
Clay Welch

Children's Choir:

James Gillam
Louisa Gillam
Rosemary Gillam
Sam Stewart-Sicking
Alex Whatley
Emma Whatley

Julia Whatley
Kate Whatley

Frequent Guests:

Gislin Dagnelie
Edie Stern

Jen Newgent
Director of Music Ministries

Sunday School News

Sunday School has had a very successful year engaging students and teachers together! We covered a wide variety of subjects throughout the school year to create a better understanding of our religion and how it affects our daily lives. If you are interested in teaching and getting involved in either Sunday School or our Middle School group, please contact me this summer. We will resume Sunday School, Middle School, and our Child Care room again on September 9th.

Thank you to all of the Sunday School and Middle School teachers who exercised great patience with me and carried out our vision for this year: Melissa Whatley, Michele O'Connor, Darcy Turner, Drew Perkins, Ginny Gillam, and Lynn Traynor. Thank you also to my husband, Peter, who always has my back and continues to push me forward.

[Anne Greene](#)

Sunday School Coordinator

Fare forward, not fair haven

On September 7, 2008 I began as your "temporary interim part-time priest-in-charge," a day made memorable by the storm that passed through Saturday night, leaving Glencoe Road blocked in both directions, and no power (which meant no water either). So we parked in the lower field, trudged up the hill and managed to worship Almighty God reading by sunlight and singing a capella. It was our pleasant introduction to one

another, and a reminder that "church" is more community than property.

In February 2011 our rector took office and I stayed on as "assistant temporary &c.," for a while, including her maternity leave this year. Now my time on the staff ends, though there may be others occasions to return.

On my last Sunday, May 13th, my sermon was addressed, as always at Immanuel, to what a friend of mine calls the special niche of the Episcopal Church, "educated skeptics." This congregation shares a robust faith and is, I believe, prepared for a new burst of energy in our calling to make a difference in the Hereford Zone. That Sunday our rector presented me with gift cards to buy books from Amazon and plants from Valley View Farms--an appropriate mix for my 83rd birthday on the 14th. Then we shared a cake labeled "Thank You Pastor Smith;" it tasted great but, being sacramental, of course contained no discernible calories. I am very grateful for all that you all have shared with me in these 3 1/2 years--from "Queen Mother" Polly Horner, 94, to newest arrival Simon Stewart-Sicking.

This was my seventh interim parish ministry since I "retired" from Trinity, Towson, in 1995 (I call it "semi-tired"). I had become diocesan historian then when I told Bishop Ihloff I'd like to write a history of our Diocese. I've done some research and publishing since but now the time has come to get to work on the full project. You may be sure you'll be hearing more about it in the next few years, though I can't set a pre-publication price quite yet.

Let me leave you with why this is important: our faith is in Jesus as the incarnation of God by whom we learn we are his people and through whom we are empowered to live abundant lives; this is based on the clear simple facts of history. The stories of the church--whether in Jerusalem, Corinth, Rome, Canterbury, Baltimore or Glencoe--teach us how this really works and warns us about what to avoid.

We must know and appreciate our traditions, above all the one which proclaims "Behold, I

make all things new." Of course Immanuel, the Diocese of Maryland, the Anglican Communion and the whole Christian enterprise are being tested by austerity (rather than tempted by prosperity), but, in historical and Biblical perspective, that's exhilarating. Our challenge is to hear and heed the voice that says "Behold, I will be with you always, even unto the end of the ages."

The Rev. Kingsley Smith

Thanks to your generous gift card from Valley View Farms, I have now achieved a life long ambition--to be a berry farmer (rasp- & blue-, that is). Your other gift card will soon be spent at my favorite website--Amazon.

On May 18, Ginny Cooke (Mrs. Ernest Cooke) died at age 90. She was a member of Trinity, Towson, but became part of the Immanuel family when she moved to Broadmead several years ago. Her funeral will be in York PA next month.

~~Kingsley

Outreach News:

With a combination of both funds from the outreach budget and donations from individual parishioners, a total of \$440.00 has been sent to St. Peter's Church in memory of the staff members who were killed in the recent shooting in their parish office. In addition, Immanuel Church also provided flowers for the funeral service for the shooter, who took his own life after shooting the two women at the church. An Episcopal Church in our diocese offered to hold the funeral service for him, and Immanuel provided two floral arrangements to support that parish as well as the family members who gathered at that private service.

Please remember that food collections continue weekly during the summer. This is a time when donations may especially be needed, so remember your non-perishable food items as well as personal grooming items as often as possible

throughout the summer. As our collection increases in size, it is dropped every few weeks at the Hereford Food Bank.

– Megan +

Highlights from the May 8th Vestry Meeting

At the May Vestry Meeting, we discussed the tragic shooting which occurred at St. Peter's Church, an Episcopal Church in Ellicott City, Maryland, on May 3rd. Two women, Brenda Brewington, administrative assistant, and the Reverend Mary-Marguerite Kohn, Co-Rector of the parish, were found shot inside the church office. Megan, along with hundreds of others, attended Reverend Kohn's funeral on May 8th at the Cathedral of the Incarnation. The Vestry unanimously approved that a \$200.00 donation be made to St. Peter's Church in honor of the victims of the shooting.

In light of this very sad news, we also spent much of the May Vestry Meeting talking about issues of security and safety at Immanuel. There are some small changes which could be made quickly and inexpensively, and others that would be more involved. We agreed this is a topic which should be discussed further and given serious consideration.

We also discussed our Annual Parish Celebration Day planned for Sunday, May 20th. We will meet in groups, as we have done in the past, during the time normally reserved for the sermon. This is a wonderful opportunity for members of the congregation to provide feedback to the Rector, Officers and Vestry which will then be used for planning next year. After Church, we will have a potluck picnic lunch.

Nelly Perkins, Registrar

Property Perusal

We're happy to tell you a little story about community connections. At a recent meeting of the Hereford Business Zone Association, we were introduced to PennMar, who has provided services to the local community of developmentally-delayed adults and their families. In the course of the evening, we learned about their efforts to find meaningful employment for some of the people PennMar serves. One young woman spoke about how much it means to her to make her own income, and her enjoyment of her work. They currently provide cleaning services to several churches, and were looking for one more facility to clean.

After discussions, walkthroughs and contract reviews, we are pleased to report that Immanuel will now welcome a team of individuals served by PennMar to our campus to work, beginning in June. They'll be coming weekly on Tuesdays. With a staff supervisor, they'll follow a planned schedule, and will welcome feedback at any time to help us fine-tune the program.

We'll look forward to getting to know our team, and have been assured that they'll love our beautiful setting as much as we all do--and that they will feel pride of ownership from the work that they do to care for the buildings. Please welcome them if you happen by! If they or their families decide to join us for Sunday services, please do compliment their work.

We hope to set up an evening soon where administrators from PennMar can explain their programs and answer questions.

Ps, a late but sincere shout-out to the Scouts and parents who came to the parish cleanup day this spring--we even had dads helping clean gutters at the parish hall, blessed be!

Katie Ritter, Property Chair

Celebrating 140 Years!

As we celebrate the 140th year of Immanuel Church, it is fitting to reflect on the clergy who have faithfully served this parish. Thanks to Historiographer Rev. Kingsley Smith, we have a list of these priests, and the dates they served:

The clergy of Immanuel Church, Glencoe

Adolphus T. Pindell, Rector of Sherwood, founder and Priest-in charge 1871-77

Randolph Mason, Rector 1877- 87

Duncan McCulloch Sr., Rector 1887-1911

James Plummer, Rector 1912-1916

The rectors of St James' Monkton served as Priests-in-charge 1916-1944:

Frederick Travers 1916-1924 and William Roberts 1926-1944

Lewis Heck, Rector 1945

Andrew Mayer, Rector 1945-1947

George Packard, Rector, shared with Trinity, Long Green, 1947-1955

Paul Zeller, Rector 1955 -1979

Carl Edwards, Rector 1979 -2001

George Merrill, Assisting Priest 1990-2005

Anne Reed, Deacon 1989-1993

Peter D'Angio, Interim 2001-2002

Beverly Braine, Rector 2001-2005

Patricia Drost, Priest-in-charge 2006-2008

Kingsley Smith, Interim 2008-2010 and Assisting Priest 2010-2012

Megan Stewart-Sicking Rector 2010--

As we give thanks for all that Immanuel means to us, let us remember these priests who have offered dedicated service to the life and continuation of this parish and its place in God's Kingdom.

Rudi Horner
Senior Warden

The Bees are Back!

Every spring, we are reminded that Immanuel's Parish Hall is home to a thriving hive of honey bees. They live in the roof just above the vestibule as you enter the Parish Hall from the parking lot. These are the *good* ones – the same ones that have been dying out in record numbers in other places. They make their presence known flying around the entrance – just be quick as you enter or leave the Parish Hall and ignore them.

Women of Immanuel

The Annual WOI Potluck Dinner/Meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 6, 2012 at 6:00 p.m. at Mary Jane Shanks home. All women of Immanuel are invited. Bring your ideas for next year's bus trip. For directions please contact Mary Jane Shanks at [410-557-6047](tel:410-557-6047) or mjshanks@zoominternet.net.

The WOI would like to thank everyone who brought food and helped with the Parish Celebration luncheon especially the Greene family for setting up and Doug Whatley and Chad Crowe for grilling and everyone who helped clean up. Also thanks to Bobbie Ensor, Mary Jane Shanks, Rudi Horner, Liz Sieck and Donna Sieverts for their support. Immanuel is a family where everyone pitches in. Thank you!

Linda Ambrose

Parish Register

Deaths

Ginny Cooke
May 18, 2012

David Hopkins
May 23, 2012

Transitions

*Bill Eddison moved to Room #209 Hallowell
410-527-1900 and ask for Room #209*

From the Office:

Reminder: My office hours are Mon. 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., and Wed. and Thurs. 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. You may reach me at 410-472-2828. If I am unavailable, please leave a voice message and I will return your call as soon as possible. You may also email me at:

Dary@ImmanuelGlencoe.org

Dary Schmidt - Your Parish Administrator

Newsletter Deadlines

All articles, photos, inserts, and updates are kindly requested by 2:30pm on:

The *second Monday* of each month.

Please give to Dary, or email to
Dary@ImmanuelGlencoe.org

Following our long-standing, intentional practice, Immanuel Episcopal Church in Glencoe, Maryland, extends a warm welcome and an invitation to join us in community and worship to all people who desire to love and worship God, follow the example and teachings of Jesus Christ, and seek loving fellowship with others in His church. We extend this welcome and invitation especially to all who may have particular reason to think they may not be welcome because of physical appearance, physical or mental ability, ethnic or religious background, sexual orientation, financial circumstance, or past or present sins. We confess that we are not a community already perfected in love. But we want to become more fully loving, and we welcome into our community all who wish to join us in this endeavor.

Clergy and Staff

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Doug Gunn, Tara McDonough, Betsy Powell, Mary Jane Shanks,
Suzanne Supplee, and Peggy Taliaferro

June 2012

Jun 2	Boy Scout Set up for Silent Auction and Strawberry Festival	Jun 12	7:30 p.m. Vestry Meeting-Parish Hall
Jun 3	Trinity Sunday 9:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist II-final choir Sunday 10:00 a.m. Lemonade on the Lawn 4-7 p.m. Strawberry Festival/Silent Auction Boy Scout Troop #485	Jun 17	3 Pentecost/Father's Day/Choose your own Hymn Sunday 9:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist II 10:00 a.m. Lemonade on the Lawn
Jun 6	6:00 p.m. WOI Annual Pot Luck Dinner Mtg./Home of M. J. Shanks	Jun 24	4 Pentecost 9:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist II 10:00 a.m. Lemonade on the Lawn 4:00 p.m. 500 Years of Music for Guitar/Peter Griggs
Jun 8	5:00 p.m. Oldfields - Baccalaureate		
Jun 10	2 Pentecost 9:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist II 10:00 a.m. Lemonade on the Lawn		

