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The Weekly:
January 24th 2020
ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual Meeting will be held in the Parish Hall next Sunday, January 26th, directly following a combined service at 9am.

Vestry Nominees
Stephen Franklin
Sarah Garrison
Jo Harney

Senior Warden
Matt Kinservik

Paper copies of all documents will be available, but we encourage you to access everything electronically in a bid to cut down on paper waste and printing costs. You can download the documents prior to the meeting, or access them during the meeting using the WiFi in the Parish Hall - details are posted in the building.

Annual Meeting Agenda 2020
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LITURGY AND MUSIC NOTES

SUNDAY'S MUSIC

Light is one of the principal images and themes of the Epiphany season; and the image of light is prominent in today’s Old Testament and Gospel readings, as well as in the Gradual Psalm. Light reveals God’s presence and glory—a light that we as God’s People are called to carry to the world by our proclamation, in word and deed, of the Good News of God in Christ. The hymns which begin and conclude today's liturgy take up these duel themes of light and mission: "Ye servants of God, your master proclaim;" and "Spread the kingdom of the Lord...until from night, all the world awakes to light."
The hymn following Communion is a brief but thought-provoking meditation on the deeper layers of significance in Jesus's calling of his disciples at the beginning of his ministry, recounted in today's Gospel. This hymn is unique to the Episcopal Church, with a text by an American poet sung to a hymntune composed for it by David McK. Williams, Choirmaster of St Bartholomew's Church in Manhattan.
The anthem sung by the choir at the Offertory was commissioned by this parish in 2004. The dedicatory inscription reads: "Commissioned by Immanuel Church on the Green, New Castle, Delaware, in memory of Ruth Hines Gardner, 1928-2003, beloved Organist and Choirmaster." The commission specified the text from Psalm 42, a favorite of Ruth's.
Part of the musical leadership for today’s Liturgy is being provided by the Ross Treble Choir. This outstanding choir of young singers enriches the life and worship of our parish in countless ways; in return, they receive valuable vocal training and music instruction at no cost, exposure to some of the world’s greatest music old and new, practical experience in teamwork and individual responsibility, and the beginning of a lifelong love of singing and music.

The Ross Choir loves to welcome new members! No background or previous training is required; choristers do not have to belong to Immanuel or the Episcopal Church.

The Ross Choir meets for weekly rehearsals Sundays at 11:30 am and Tuesdays at 6:15 pm. For more information, speak to Jack Burnam; you can also reach him by text or phone (302-559-9696), or by email (jwbgedeckt@gmail.com).

9am Hymns:
535 “Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim”
581 “Where charity and love prevail”
661 “They cast their nets in Galilee”
530 “Spread, O spread, thou mighty word”

Offeratory Anthem: "Put your trust in God" (Psalm 42:1-2, 4-7) - Jack Warren Burnam
Communion Motet: "O pray for the peace of Jerusalem" - John Blow

Organ Voluntaries: Recit de Chromhorne - François Couperin, and Dialogue sur la Trompette - François Couperin

AN UPCOMING SPECIAL EVENT!
“The Epiphany of Beauty: where Art and Faith converge”

Immanuel’s Visiting Scholar Weekend with Dr. Esther Lightcap Meek, February 8 - 9, is fast approaching! You won’t want to miss this fascinating event, focused on the theme of beauty as the channel and content of God’s self-revelation, and its meaning and implications for the life and witness of our Community of Faith.

Who is Esther Meek?

Dr. Esther Meek is Professor of Philosophy at Geneva College in Beaver Falls, Pennsylvania, and a Fellow Scholar with Artist Makoto Fujimura’s Fujimura Institute. As a philosopher, author, teacher, and speaker, she has been described as “a masterful, compassionate teacher inviting a wide audience to reflect on the nature of knowledge...epistemology for the people, so to speak.”
Dr. Meek contends that knowledge is not about collecting data and acquiring information. She writes, “Rather than knowing in order to love, we love in order to know...all knowing is like knowing God—a transformative encounter.” To her, the account of the Magi “who journey to find the Christ Child and to bring gifts offers an emblematic story of knowing. They are not called wise men for nothing! Nor is it a meaningless accident that we use the word *epiphany* in referring to a moment of insight.”

**Schedule of Events**

**Saturday, February 8**
- **10—11:45 am:** Open Rehearsal, in the church, with Jack and the Immanuel Choir, and occasional reflection and response by Dr. Meek. The public is invited to attend and observe for all or any part of the morning.
- **12 noon:** Complimentary light lunch, served in the Parish Hall at the foot of Harmony Street. Everyone is invited, and there is no charge; but please RSVP below, or contact the Parish Office by phone (302-328-2413) or email at immanuelonthegreen@comcast.net to let us know you will join us for lunch.
- **12:45 pm:** Lecture/conversation with Dr. Meek, concluding by 2 pm.

**Sunday, February 9**
- **10 am:** Dr. Meek will preach at the sung Holy Eucharist
- **11:30 am:** Coffee Hour and a second presentation by Dr. Meek, concluding by 12:30.
- **4 pm:** Choral Evensong with the Immanuel Choir, and a homily by Dr. Meek.

**RSVP for the light lunch and lecture**

**NOTES FROM THE VESTRY**

Notes from the Vestry

The Vestry met earlier than usual in January, on the second Wednesday of the month instead of the third, to approve the nominations for Vestry. During the meeting, the following topics were discussed:

- There are three open Vestry positions for the class of 2023. The candidates for those positions are Sara Garrison, Jo Harney, and Stephen Franklin. The senior warden position is also open, and there is one candidate, current Junior Warden Matt Kinservik. If Matt is elected to the senior warden position, a new junior warden will be appointed to complete the rest of Matt’s term.
- Thank you to all who are rolling off the Vestry: Senior Warden Jon Barrett and Vestry members Buddy Garrison, Geri Krolin-Taylor, and Mary Nash Wilson.
- There will be one mass on Sunday, January 26, at 9 a.m. due to the Annual Meeting, which will be held right after mass in the Parish Hall. Light refreshments will be served.
- The bathroom in the Parish Hall has been repaired.
- The Bishop’s visit on January 5th was a success! He wanted to use the Rite 1 service as he doesn’t often get a chance to do so. The Bishop was very pleased with the outcome and very much enjoyed the reception. Thank you to all who participated.
- A vote on the 2020 budget was postponed until the February meeting as some pledges are still outstanding.
- Mary Davis is stepping down as chair of the Fellowship Committee. Thank you Mary! See Fr. Chris if you would like to lead or be involved with this committee.
- There will be a Mardi Gras event on Saturday, March 22. More details to follow.
- If you have not yet pledged, you can pledge online at [https://www.immanuelonthegreen.org/Stewardship/pledging.html](https://www.immanuelonthegreen.org/Stewardship/pledging.html). Go to the bottom of the page and click on Online Pledging Form. You can also print out the pledge form and mail it to the office or put it in the collection plate on Sunday. Making your pledge
online does not mean you have to donate online. There is a separate form to donate online: https://www.simplechurchgiving.net/App/Giving/immanuelonthegreen. The Time and Talent Stewardship form is also available on the pledge page.

- The Diocesan Convention will be held January 24 and 25 in Dewey Beach. The parish delegates are Jim Evitts and Mary Nash Wilson, with Jon Barret as alternate. Information about the convention can be found at https://delaware.church/235th-annual-convention/.

- Geri Krolin-Taylor

Reconstruction Trust Resolution

The Reconstruction Trust was created in 1984 to support charitable outreach from income earned on excess contributions that were received to rebuild the church after the 1980 fire. The terms of the trust can "be altered by 2/3 vote of the Vestry...and also 2/3 vote of a subsequent Vestry taken within one year of the first prevailing vote to amend, alter, or revoke." The Vestry discussed a resolution to reallocate income from the trust for charitable outreach and ongoing maintenance of the church building. The complete resolution is as follows.

Whereas the Reconstruction Trust was established by the Vestry of Immanuel on the Green in 1984 to support charitable outreach giving from the income earned from the nearly $130,000 in excess contributions to the rebuilding of the church after the fire of 1980; and

Whereas that declaration of trust stipulates that the trust can be amended by a two-thirds vote of two consecutive vestries; and

Whereas the declaration of trust stipulates that no “vote shall be taken to amend, alter, or revoke this Trust without two weeks written notice of same to all members of the Vestry;” and

Whereas the current Vestry of Immanuel on the Green has identified ongoing maintenance expenses not considered by the Vestry that established the Reconstruction Trust; and

Whereas current pledge income and building and maintenance endowment funds are insufficient to meet the maintenance needs of the church building; and

Whereas the original contributions to Immanuel on the Green that were used to establish the Reconstruction Trust were intended for the restoration of the church building; therefore

Be it resolved that:

1. The Reconstruction Trust should be amended to stipulate that the income from the Reconstruction Trust should annually be distributed in the following manner: one-third to support charitable outreach identified by the Rector, Wardens, and Vestry; and two-thirds to support the ongoing maintenance of the church building.

2. The annual income should be calculated as a 4% drawdown on the earnings of the fund based upon a three-year trailing average.

PARISH HAPPENINGS

St Anne’s Guild

St Anne’s Guild will be holding their Annual Games Night on Monday, February 3rd, at 6pm. Snacks and drinks will be provided, please join us as Jon Barrett and his legendary bingo machine ensure this will be another games night to remember!
Available Flower Memorial Dates

Memorials can be a Sunday closest to a set date (such as a birthday, anniversary, or passing), or a specific Sunday in the month (such as the 1st Sunday in October), and can be recurring or one time happenings. Please contact the office or Mark if you would like to talk about an offering.

The following Sundays do not have dedicated flower offerings:

2020
- February 9
- March 1
- March 29
- April 19
- May 3
- May 31
- June 21
- June 28
- August 13

The Food Closet does not currently need any contributions. Please expect an update from Gary in the near future!

SERVICES AT IMMANUEL

Schedule of Services

Immanuel's sense of community is firmly grounded in our weekly gathering for corporate worship. You are an essential member of that Community! Do plan to join us every week for one (or more) of these services:

Sunday
- 8am - Said Mass
10 am - Sung Mass  
7 pm - Compline  

Wednesday  
9:30 am - Said Mass *(postponed until further notice)*  

Thursday  
6 pm - Said Mass  

**Compline continues every Sunday at 7 p.m.**

Compline continues every Sunday night at 7 p.m. This brief service of prayer and readings is the final service in the monastic daily prayer cycle. It is less than 10 minutes long, and includes time for private prayer in your pew before and after the service. If you have not yet joined us for Compline, please consider making this a part of your spiritual discipline.

A new signup has been posted with dates available through the spring. If you would like to lead Compline and/or set up the church by lighting 60+ candles, please use this link to do so. Questions? Ask Jo Harney at jo.wharney@gmail.com.

Sign up here

**Large print bulletins are available.**

**February Birthdays**  
- Week 1 - Jimmy Carl Hopper, III, Jeff Meadows  
- Week 2 - Jane Brereton, Julia Durante  
- Week 4 - Lauren Barczak, Kristina Brereton, Eileen Burk, Valerie Woodard, Henry Tobey, Sara Hutchinson  
- Week 5 - Charlotte Keeton, Helen Newnam Hannan

**January Anniversaries**  
- Week 5 - Kirsten and Michael Costango

**STAY CONNECTED**

The FOMO (Fear Of Missing Out) struggle is real. If you haven't already, be sure to follow us on [Twitter](https://twitter.com) and [Instagram](https://instagram.com), for memes like this one:
Stay up to date on all the latest happenings by visiting our [website](https://mail.aol.com/webmail-std/en-us/PrintMessage).

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