



The Weekly

Immanuel Anglican Church
Prince William County

April 5, 2026

Pastor's Corner

"The Resurrected Jesus: Real, Personal, Intentional"

*Jesus said to her, 'Mary.'
She turned and said him in Aramaic, 'Rabboni!'
(John 20:16)*

The above exchange happens between Jesus and Mary Magdalene outside the empty tomb on Easter morning. In her grief and doubt, Mary fails to recognize the resurrected Jesus...until he speaks her name.

Notice how personal Jesus is, and how intentional. Jesus didn't die for an idea or for a cause; he died for persons. Jesus wasn't resurrected to establish a religion; he was resurrected to restore a relationship. His intent is for each person to encounter him, to hear his voice, and to join him in a renewed relationship with Yahweh as Father and God (John 20:17).

The final words of Malcolm Guite's "Palm Sunday" poem have echoed in my heart this Holy Week: "*Jesus come/Break my resistance and make me your home.*" The real, living person of Jesus is here to be with you, to break down walls of separation, to speak your name and to call you into a renewed relationship. You can listen and respond to his voice by participating in the services of Maundy Thursday (7pm), Stations of the Cross (Friday, noon), Good Friday (7pm), Holy Saturday (9am), and the Rite of Reconciliation (Saturday 9:15am-noon). Entering with Jesus into

his suffering, crucifixion, and death is inextricable from walking with him into his resurrection.

We will celebrate this reality of the resurrected person that is Jesus on Saturday night with The Great Vigil of Easter at 8pm, and on Sunday with our outdoor Easter Sunrise Service at 7am (we'll move inside if it's raining) and our Easter Celebration Service at 10:30am (followed by an Easter egg hunt). These services are opportunities for encountering the risen Jesus among a people who joyfully believe that he is more than an idea or a cause or a religion – he is the Risen Son who brings us into a reconciled, life-giving relationship with our God and Father.

*There in the ground His body lay
Light of the world by darkness slain
Then bursting forth in glorious Day
Up from the grave He rose again
And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me
For I am His and He is mine
Bought with the precious blood of Christ*

(“In Christ Alone,” Keith Getty & Stuart Townend)

Your Pastor in Christ,

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Worship

Please join us, each Sunday at 8:00am or 10:30am at 7075 Hoadly Road, Manassas, VA. You may also join us at 10:30am via [livestream](#).

Morning Prayer is offered via [Zoom](#) every Thursday at 8am.

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85934655171>

Meeting ID: 859 3465 5171

Morning Prayer is offered at Immanuel Tuesday - Friday, in the Nave from 8:30am - 9:30am.

Midday prayer is offered Tuesday – Friday in the Nave at noon.

Visit iachurch.org/worship for more details.

IMPORTANT DATES

April 2	Maundy Thursday/with nursery	7:00 pm Nave
April 3	Stations of the Cross	Noon Outside
	Good Friday Service/ with nursery	7:00 pm Nave
April 4	Contemplation and Rite of Reconciliation	9-noon Nave
	Easter Vigil	8:00 pm Nave
April 5	Easter Sunrise Service	7:00 am Outside
	Easter Service	10:30 am Nave
April 12	Second Sunday (Youth Mtg)	6-8 pm Nave
April 19	Cruciform	5-7 pm Nave
April 24-26	Women's Retreat	Off site

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

No April Praise & Prayer: There is no Tuesday night Praise and Prayer service this April. The Music Ministry is taking a much deserved break! The next Praise and Prayer service will be Tuesday, May 5 at 7pm.

Mission Trip: Catherine Annand is going back out on the mission field May 29, 2026, through June 15, 2026. She is asking for support through donations to SAMS at [Catherine Annand - Donate to Anglican Missions Work](#) to help defray the costs of travel to Tanzania, food and lodging in country, and miscellaneous mission expenses yet to be determined. Catherine is traveling to Munyoni, Tanzania to be part of a training team providing Restore Wholeness training and supplies to lay leaders in Tanzania. The team will also be ministering to children in that Diocese. Catherine will be traveling with the Christian Renewal Association team, including Diana Ingle and Gail Patton with CRA. This is a reprise of the mission the team completed last year in the Kiryandongo Refugee Camp in Uganda. Catherine is also asking for prayer for the team, the mission to help people find healing through Christ Our Lord and to help community leaders help others in their community find healing and joy through a relationship with Christ and His healing love.

BP4 KIDS (Backpacks for Kids): This ministry provides weekend bags of food placed in the backpacks of children in cooperation with school guidance counselors at ML King Elementary. To help with food, you may consider ordering: <https://www.amazon.com/Hormel-Compleats-Chicken-Alfredo-Ounce> (other options for Compleats are available), or individual cartons of shelf milk, or individual size boxes of cereal. Our next packing date is Wednesday, April 8th, 12:30 p.m. in classroom #1

The Food Cupboard Ministry: For the month of April we are collecting cans of soup. Many families in PWC are struggling and your support for this ministry can make all the difference. Every donation helps restore dignity, hope, and stability. The food

cupboard is to the left as you enter the storage room located between classrooms 1 & 2.

Blessing Bags: What are Blessing Bags? They are donated purses given to women in need at the ACTS Women's Shelter in Dumfries, VA. All necessary items can be found on a list on the side of the collection box, along with tags of Immediate needs required to complete unfinished purses. If you have questions, would like to help, or your small group would like to assemble purses, please contact Lee or/ and Jennifer at Lee: Home- 703) 590-7918 or Cell- 703) 298-5240. Jennifer: Cell- 571) 427- 8713.

COMMUNITY GATHERINGS

Register now for Immanuel's Women's Retreat! April 24-26 at White Sulfur Springs, Mann's Choice, PA. Our speaker, Dr. Erika Moore, will lead us through Ezekiel's four visions, offering us reasons for hope, reassuring us of God's power, presence, and faithfulness to his promises, even in the most disappointing and confusing circumstances. Paperless (and SIMPLE) registration is available on Realm. Feel free to bring guests! Questions or help registering can be directed to Barbara Finney: 703-405-2651 blynn56@verizon.net or Taira Oravetz: 703-963-8812 tairaoravetz@gmail.com. Payments in full are due no later than April 19, 2026.

Immanuel Kids: This series kicks off with the greatest news ever—Jesus is alive! But even his closest friends were surprised by what they discovered. Each week, kids will follow the clues in the Bible, looking at the stories leading up to Easter and connecting them to other moments in Jesus' life and ministry. Along the way, they'll see that the Bible isn't just full of clues about who Jesus is—it's the complete story of God's love. In this 4-week series, kids will learn that the Bible says Jesus is alive, the Bible tells us Jesus loves us, the Bible reveals who Jesus is, and the Bible shows us how to share God's love.

Youth Group: Middle and high school students are invited to Youth Group each week. We meet on Second Sundays at 6:00 PM, and on all other Sundays from 12:00- 1:30 PM. For more information, contact mbyers@iachurch.org.

Sunday Night Men's Bible Study: The men will NOT meet this Sunday in observance of Easter. The men meet each Sunday night except the third Sunday of the month. Currently studying the Book of Genesis. They meet from 7-8:30 pm in classroom 4. If you have any questions, see Mike Harpster (MikeHarpster@comcast.net).

Men's Dinner: All Immanuel men and their guests are invited to join us for some fellowship and conversation at our weekly Monday Men's Dinner. The next dinner will be on April 6, 2026 at United Buffet located at 2942 Prince William Pkwy, Woodbridge. New attendees are always welcome so come and join us and bring someone with you.

Women's Monday Night Bible Study: We are studying, "Cold-Case Christianity" by J. Warner Wallace. The participants' guide can be found here [Cold-Case Christianity Participant's Guide: A Homicide Detective Investigates the Claims of the Gospels](#); Wallace, J. Warner; 9781434711441; Amazon.com: Books. The group meets on Monday evenings at 7 p.m. via ZOOM Please contact Kathy Oravetz at 571-334-8786 or koravetzdpt@gmail.com for more information and the ZOOM link.

Tuesday Morning Ladies Bible Study: Join this lovely, caring group at 10:00 am in Classroom #1 as we dive into Isaiah using the Melissa Spoelstra book and video: "Isaiah: Striving Less and Trusting God More". We'll unpack Isaiah's words to reveal that you can trust God more than your own human effort or the counterfeits the world suggests. You won't be striving harder but instead trusting more deeply in the Faithful One who is so worthy of our utter dependence. In Him you'll find the comfort and peace you need to sustain you. Contact Barbara Finney at blynn56@verizon.net or 703-405-2651 for workbooks or more information.

Tuesday Ladies Dinner: The next dinner will be at Brothers located at 5135 Waterway Drive, Dumfries, on April 22, 2026 at 5:00 pm. For this month only we are gathering on Wednesday. Please RSVP to Teharpster@comcast.net.

Saturday Morning Men's Discussion:

April 4: Saturday Men's Bible Discussion Group will not meet on April 4 due to Easter. The next meeting will be on April 11 at 8:00

am when we will discuss Chapter 2, "Heart Trouble", in Wiersbe's Commentary pp. 33-45 and discuss questions on pp.46-47. Books are available for \$15 from Alan Clark, 703-627-4725.

April 11: Saturday Men's Bible Discussion Group will meet at 8:00 am on April 11. We will discuss Chapter 2 in Wiersbe's Commentary, "Heart Trouble", pp. 33-45 and questions on pp. 46-47. Also read in your Bible John 13:36-14:31.

Books are available for \$15_We start at 8:00 am in Room 1. Coffee and donuts are provided. Laughter is free. For more information, contact Alan Clark on 703-627-4725. Join us and bring a friend or join us via [ZOOM](#). Meeting ID:827 91399156.

Women's Book Club: The next Women's Book Club meeting will be on Tuesday, April 14th at the home of Alice Cade The meeting starts at 7 pm. Alice's address is 12907 Valleywood Dr Woodbridge. We are reading, THE FROZEN RIVER by Ariel Lahon. Please call Cathleen Giannini at 703-851-0908 or email at cragchat1@gmail.com with any questions. Let Alice know if you will be attending at 703-283-4358 or alicecade0@yahoo.com

Men's Breakfast: The men will meet April 18, for the monthly breakfast at 8:00am. Come join in for a hot breakfast and fellowship.

Financial Update

Operations

Revenue \$125,375 Expenses \$100,901 Over \$24,474

Building

Revenue \$34,950 Expenses \$30,841 Over \$ 4,109

Income for these months has been above average because several donors have made payment of their full annual pledge. The Operations fund pays for salaries & admin costs, mission outreach, ministry expenses (such as children, youth and adult, altar guild, fellowship), and facility expenses (such as insurance, maintenance of property, equipment costs). The Building fund pays for the monthly mortgage, that loan amount due monthly is \$15,420.

County Community Activities

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Not receiving The Weekly? You can sign up on the IAC website by going to [here](#). Scroll to the bottom of the page and complete the subscribe form. If you need help, contact the Parish Administrator at office@iachurch.org.

Lost and Found

The found items are on the Usher's Table.

Building Usage

If you or your group would like to use a room at the church, please contact the office at office@iachurch.org or tharpster@iachurch.org to schedule the date, time and room. Unscheduled meetings cannot always be accommodated. Please note the configuration pictures in each room on the wall near the light switch. After your meeting, please return the room to the arrangement in the picture without exception. All rooms are used for many different activities.

Parking Lot

If you or your group need to leave vehicles in the parking lot overnight during an activity, please contact the Parish Administrator before leaving. You will be asked to leave the make, model and license number of the vehicle, your departure and return dates and times. Any vehicles left in the parking lot without notification are subject to towing at the owner's expense.

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