



The Weekly

Immanuel Anglican Church
Prince William County

March 29, 2026

Pastor's Corner "Passionate Hearts"

Our long, Lenten walk with Jesus culminates this upcoming Holy Week, beginning on Palm Sunday. *"The events of Holy Week,"* writes the poet Malcolm Guite, *"are both about Jesus' outward, visible, and historical entry into Jerusalem and what he did there and then, and also about his entry into the inner Jerusalem, the 'seething holy city'... of our own hearts. What might it mean to say that we have our own gates, walls and watchtowers, that somewhere within us there is both a temple and a seat of judgement, and both might need to be challenged and cleansed?"*

Walking with Jesus also brings us into the heart of our Father, witnessing how at the cross his love cleanses our hearts and satisfies his judgment. As we walk with Jesus, according to Isaiah, he carries our sorrows and is wounded for our iniquities – *"where the wrongs we have done, and the wrongs done to us, are nailed there with him, there at the cross."*

The ancient meaning of "passion" is extreme suffering; the common meaning today is deep devotion. Both apply to the love of God in Jesus, expressed in his Passion this Holy Week. I encourage you to attend the following services to participate in this passion. (Please note there is no Compline during Holy Week.)

- **Palm Sunday** (8am & 10:30am): We'll begin this day of celebration and sorrow outside, processing together into the

building waving palm branches. (Remember to carpool if possible, and that staff and volunteers need to park at Coles Elementary!)

- **Maundy Thursday (7pm):** Following the example of Jesus, we'll have the opportunity to wash each other's feet or hands. We'll then step further into the suffering of Jesus through the Stripping of the Altar.
- **Good Friday:** Outside the church at *noon*, together we'll visit each of the Stations of the Cross. At *7pm*, we will gather in the Nave for a Good Friday service, ending in time spent praying before the cross.
- **Holy Saturday (9am-12pm):** After a brief liturgy reflecting on Jesus in the tomb, the Rev. Mary Hays and I will be available for the Rite of Reconciliation.
- **Great Vigil of Easter (8pm):** For the first time in many years, Saturday night we will celebrate the Great Vigil of Easter. The service begins in the dark as we light the Paschal candle from a newly ignited fire, and continues with a series of Scripture readings beginning in the Garden of Eden and culminating in the Resurrection of Jesus. We will then rejoice in the first Eucharist of Easter.

Almighty and everlasting God, in your tender love for us you sent your Son our Savior Jesus Christ to take upon himself our nature, and to suffer death upon the Cross, giving us the example of his great humility: Mercifully grant that we may walk in the way of his suffering, and come to share in his resurrection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

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

Mar 1-29	Baby Bottle Campaign	9-10:30 & 11:45-1 Narthex
March 29	Palm Sunday	8:00 am Nave 10:30 am Nave
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

Phishing/Scam Emails: Recently church members received numerous attempts either to collect money/gift cards or a digital version of our directory by posing as the Rector or the Junior Warden/Tim Timmons. In response to these phishing attempts, several emails were sent out from the church office informing the congregation about the scams, how to react to the emails, and clarifying that neither our network nor our accounts were hacked. Additionally, changes to the website are being considered to tighten security of the church's information. If you have received an email of this type, please mark the email as spam and report the emails here: reportphishing@apwg.org. If you have questions or concerns, please contact the church office at 703-340-3120 or office@iachurch.org.

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.

Baby Bottle Campaign: ALL 75 baby bottles were handed out as of last Sunday!!!! Our Baby Bottle Campaign OFFICIALLY ends on Palm Sunday. Out of those 75 we have 34 returned bottles. Please TRY to return your bottles THIS SUNDAY so they can be offered to our Lord for the blessings of these alms we have given during the Lenten

season. PLEASE do not worry if they are filled are not, it is still important to return so they can be recycled for other churches. This cuts down the overhead to run the campaign as the cost for the bottles come out of the Life First budget. Of course, we will not have final numbers until Life First gives us our results but we Praise God ahead for the blessings this offering will provide to the women, men and unborn babies coming into the center in crisis. Thank you Immanuel!!

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. Please bring these to the church building, and we will store them until the next packing date. Thank you for all your generous help. You make a difference in the lives of children! To be informed about our next packing event and/or for more information, please contact Dean or Pat Tony patbtony@gmail.com.

The Food Cupboard Ministry: For the month of March, we are collecting 2-pound bags (no larger) of flour and sugar. 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! Single occupancy rooms are sold out. 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. Reservation deposits (\$100.00) are due by March 15.

Immanuel Kids: Getting invited to a party is one of the best feelings, and being left out is one of the worst. But there's good news, Jesus never leaves anyone out! He invites everyone to spend time with him, experience his love, and share it with others. This series will remind kids that Jesus' invitation is always open, and we're never too far away to join the party! In this 5-week series, kids will learn that I'm invited to believe in Jesus, love like Jesus does, experience Jesus' miracles, ask Jesus for help, and worship Jesus.

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: 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 March 30,

2026 at Tony's Pizza located at 13629 Dumfries Road, Manassas. 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 Teharvester@comcast.net.

Saturday Morning Men's Discussion:

March 28: Saturday Men's Bible Discussion Group will meet at 8:00 am on March 28. Read John Chapter 13: 1-35 in your Bible and Chapter 1 in Wiersbe's Commentary, "The Sovereign Servant", pp. 17-29 and meditate on the questions pp. 30-31. Wiersbe's Commentary is available for \$15 from Alan Clark, 703-627-4725.

Coffee and donuts are provided. As previously noted, the laughter is free.

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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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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