News from Episcopal Church of Redeemer

JANUARY 1, 2023

Let's Have a Feast

During the season of Epiphany, our Adult Forums will center around the idea of **feast-ing**. Food is obviously a large part of that, and we will kick the series off with a parish breakfast on January 8, 2023, thanks to the Adult Forum Committee and Vestry. But we will expand our understanding of feasting beyond just food: we will consider feasting on creation and nature; feasting our eyes and ears on the extensive media available to us: perhaps exploring the subject of overabundance and how we deal with that. Our first guest will be a Redeemer favorite, Rabbi Richard Hirsh, who will join us for two Sundays to discuss feasting from Jewish and Biblical perspectives. Please join us for what is sure to be an interesting series!

January 8: Kickoff breakfast in Burns Hall January 15: Rabbi Richard Hirsh January 22: Rabbi Richard Hirsh January 29: No Forum; Confirmation and Bishop's Visit More feasting to come in February!

2023 Grant Applications

The Outreach Grant application is now posted on www.TheRedeemer.org/grants and publicly accessible to organizations that wish to apply. If there is an organization or outreach program that you believe deserves our attention, please contact Jo Ann Jones at the church office (610–525–2486, ext. 16) for more information.

Weather Closures

Information for inclement weather closures will be posted on our website at www. TheRedeemer.org/closures and from a link on the homepage. Our policy is to follow the lead of the Lower Merion School District.

Christmas Videos

Recordings of our Christmas Pageant, 10pm Christmas Eve and Christmas Day services are available for you to experience the beauty of these services at www.TheRedeemer. org/livestreams.

Wednesday Evenings & Parish Suppers

The 6 to 6:45pm suppers will resume on January 4. Wednesday evening formation opportunities will begin anew in early January as well. We will provide more information about that soon. As reported before, we are experimenting with having the meals provided for a small fee of \$5/person or \$20max/family. We still need assistance with set-up and clean-up and there is a Signup Genius to offer your help for that along with one to RSVP to attend the supper, which helps us prepare. Both available at www.TheRedeemer.org/RSVP

Sunday January 1	The Holy Name of our Lord Jesus Christ
*	

OPPORTUNITIES

Survey Says

In the fall of 2021, the Vestry published a brief survey to help us reconnect in a meaningful and purposeful way, with the following goals:

- To better understand the skills and interests of members;
- To solicit energy and ideas of how to facilitate the growth in membership;
- To gain perspectives on how to enhance the membership experience and engagement with others; and .
- To capture ideas on how to position the Parish House as an asset for the community The Vestry would like to share the result of the survey with you. It will be published in the upcoming Annual Report and is available now online from a link at www.TheRedeemer.org under News Items Vestry Survey Results/Compilation.

Warm Thanks

As the year draws to a close the Outreach Community Services Committee sends a special thank you to everyone (adults, RYG, confirmation class, children) at The Redeemer who helped to support and spend time with people in the ministries we served this year. Together we provided gift cards, meals, food, transportation, clothing, bedding and necessities. More importantly, we broadened our community by embracing and building relationships with IHN/Family Promise guests, people in Darby Borough, those living in the neighborhood of St. Gabriel's, children and teachers at St. James School, the homebound, recipients of our Merry Meals, a nurse from Malawi and each other. We are companions on the road, following the words of Jesus "This is My commandment, that you love one another, just as I have loved you." (John 15:12)

The Playground's In

The playground equipment was recently installed. Take a look. It is now open for use.

Lessons & Carols Video

The video recording of the December 11 Nine Lessons & Carols Service is now available from a link on www.TheRedeemer.org and on the Livestreams & Listen to Choirs page.

Annual Meeting Coming

The Annual Parish Meeting will take place on Sunday, February 5, 2023 at 11:00am following the 9:30am service. The Nominating Committee will present a slate of four nominees to the Vestry: John Black, Lisa Raymond, Edwin "Win" Shafer and Joe Spadaro. Their pictures and bios will appear in the January *Voice of The Redeemer*. Redeemer's by-laws provide for further nominations by petition which requires ten signatures and to be received 15 days prior to the Annual Meeting.



DID YOU KNOW

Did you know, even though 2023 is here you can still pledge to Stewardship 2023? Please join the 282 households who have committed to Stewardship 2023. Pledge now, and take the entire year to pay in 2023. It is important to indicate not only the amount pledged

as well as how and when you will fulfill the pledge. Please help the finance committee budget for the coming year and understand the weekly and monthly cash flow. There are numerous ways to pay: cash (using offering envelopes), check, online with credit card, via text, Venmo, PayPal (visit www.TheRedeemer.org/give).



Pledge Now

Mort Saunders

Eleanor Sayre

Joan Schiller

Karl Schoettle

Marda Schropp

Sue Schultz

David & Julie Schroeder

... Now that's Ministry and your Stewardship makes it happen!

Sincere thanks to these parishioners who have already made a pledge.

Maisie Adamson Paul & Mary Adkins Richard & Kris Aldridge Alexa Aldridge Charlie Alexander James & Julia Alexandre Warren & Susan Ayres Stephen Baker Judith Bardes John & Carolyn Bartholdson Glenn Beamer Jeffrey Bell Tom & Carolyn Bennett Sandra Berwind Georgia Biezup Barbara Billings Diana Bittel John & Lisa Black Charlie & Susan Bloom Al & Leslie Boris Priscilla Bradshaw Joseph & Mary Beth Bright Jamie & Joan Bromley Marcia Brose Rick & Phyllis Brown Bob & Nancy Bruechert Jim & Lin Buck Andrew & Karen Bucklee Christian & Alice Bullitt Stephen Cadwalader & Monica Hackett Don & Linda Caldwell Bobbie Cameron Drew & Babs Camerota Dick & Lisa Carr Lynne Chapman Sam Chew Chris & Kate Chojnacki Blake & Julie Christoph W. Morgan and Sonia Churchman Peter & Kimberly Clement Barbara Clothier Thomas & Wendy Coleman Ellen Conlan Bill & Joanne Conrad Dick & Ottilie Conway Peter & Elisabeth Cooke David Copas & Jennifer Vollmer Copas Betsey Corkran Ted & Polly Coxe Jim & Betsy Crowell Stephen & Margaret Dana Chris & Betsy D'Angelo Rick & Rita Davis Bob & Lisa Davis Gary Davis Jack & Judy Dawson Rod Day Darrell & Julia DeMoss Sue Denious Gloria DePasquale Sophie Donaghy John & Melissa Donnelly Rod & Carol Donnelly Joe & Elizabeth Dougherty Tory Dunkle Hank & Martha Mel Edmunds Ioe Elefritz Bill & Katharine Evre Norma Fabian Kitty Farnham Greg & Jennifer Farwell

John & Evelyn Fell Philip & Suzanne Fisher Gordon & Patricia Fowler Phyllis French Ken Garner & Bob Mikrut C. Meade Geisel Tom & Anna Gerrity Gav Gervin Tony & Erin Geyelin Emily Gibb Ciottoni & Stephen Ciottoni Bruce & Gale Gillespie Pete & Beth Goodhart Frank Grebe Al & Sallie Greenough Grant Griffiths & Raffaella Lo Castro Bill Gross & Jan Clarke Peter Grove & Nancy Greene Jim & Barbara Haley Greg & Lorrie Harper Carol Harris Nancy Harris Bill Hartz & Cynthia Cericola-Hartz Ioan Harvey Jane Hastings Leo & Stacey Helmers Margaret Helminska Christine Henisee John Herzog Bob & Barbara Hobbs James & Mia Holman Bessy Hopkins Mary Hopkins Sandra Hudson Alex & Tucker Hurtado Kathy Hutchinson Tony & Sally Jannetta Steve & Nadia Jannetta Wilson Jeffreys Phil & Meghan Jodz David & Joanna Johnson Karl & Sheryl Johnson Jackie Johnson Jo Ann Jones Jim Jordan & Vanessa Lai Allison Joyce Tac & Melinda Justi Betty Justi David & Kathy Justi Gavin & Lori Kahn Gordie & Janice Keen Susan Keith Jim Kelleher & Rik Morris Cecy Keller Morris & Anne Kellett William Kelley Barbara Kip Jenny Kirkpatrick Hope Knight Elizabeth Kuensell Brian Kunz & Corinne Wilkinson Barbara Ladd Tex Lamason Anthony & Judy Lame Susan Lastowski Kevin Leahy & Devika Singh John & Melanie LeBoeuf Steve & Debbie Lee Margery P. Lee Mary Lee Victoria Leidner Timothy & Lauren Leithead

Gregory & Anita Lewicki Barb Linder John & Elaine Lisle Kyle & Marlies Lissack Stephen LoCastro & Laurie MacKenzie Marian Lockett-Egan Charlie & Betsy MacIntosh Ioanie Mackie Annmarie Mackway-Girardi Mackie & Charlotte MacLean Michael Malloy & Lauren Wilkinson Christopher & Caroline Manogue Charlie & Ann Marshall Craig & Celia Martin Sandy & Louise Marx Andrew & Cheryl Masterman Iosselvn McAdam Minkie McAdoo Jim & Louise McCabe Tony & Binney McCague Brook & Connie McCann Don & Carolyn McCulloch Joe & Suzanne McDevitt James & Kristin McGinley Ann McIlvain Alan & Annie McIlvain Rodger & Lauren McKinney Lisa McLean Sandra McLean Elizabeth McLean Hunter & Pamela McMullin Charles & Ellen Merwin Gregg & Mary Miller Harry & Rachel Miller Sam & Carolyn Morris Rob & Janie Morris Perc & Sally Moser Abraham Munabi & Susan Adeniyi-Jones Jean Murdock Lois Muscheck Karen Nagel Ted & Carol Neilson Lathrop & Lorna Nelson Nancy Nimick George Noel Eric & Georgie Noll Phil & Nancy Nord Ryan & Rebecca Northington Francesca Northrup Lanny & Ann Patten Mark Patten Roz Pendergast John Pickering Hobie & Pamela Porter Margot Powell Laura Powell Patricia Pruett Dee Pugh Alfy & Kathleen Putnam Luisa and Eric Rabe David & Jessie Rae Doug & Lisa Raymond Tom & Josephine Rees Michael & Elizabeth Reese Karl Richter & Susan Rushing Iav & Gretchen Rilev Philip & Sandy Ringo Herb Rorer Arden Saligman Patricia Sandiford

Suzanna Saunders

Ken & Amanda Schwenke Presley Schwinn David & Diane Senior Win & Cannie Shafer Nancy Sharp Charlie Silio & Emily Snell Kent & Anne Silvers Lorraine Simonis Dan & Patty Slack Jim & Prill Smartt Polk & Nancy Smartt Winnie Smith Mimi Snyder Carol Soltis Joseph & Cynthia Spadaro Thorne & Marby Sparkman David & Michele Spence Tad Sperry & Ellen Harvey Bailey Sperry Blair Stambaugh George Steele & Kathy High Tracy & Kevin Steele Scott & Alexis Stephan Cindy Stephan Ann Stewart Steve & Bebe Strawbridge Ann Strong Connie Stuckert Kitten Susanin John & Amy Susanin Bill & Leslie Susskind David Tachna & Catherine Carruthers Steven & Erin Tagai Radclyffe & Maria Thompson James & Susan Treadway Christopher & Danielle Trucksess Mike Tyler John & Amanda Ulrich . Susan Van Allen Elizabeth Van Dusen Peter Vanderveen & Trish Bennett Jacques & Stephanie Vauclain Jamen Voss & Michael Fradley Graham & Jane Wagner John & Karen Wallingford James & Ellen Wang Paul & Peyton Wanglee Skip Ward Michael & Kathy Warhol Ioan Warren Pat Wesley Daniel Wesley Brad & Elaine Whitman Margie Widmann Dixie Wigton Pam Wilford Julie Williams Claude & Martha Wintner Alan Wood & Hilarie Johnston Guy Woodruff David & Ginger Woods

Sook Hee Yoo

3 Anonymous

Chris Zafiriou & Jessica Harper

CONTACT US

230 Pennswood Road Bryn Mawr, Pennsylvania 19010 610-525-2486 www.TheRedeemer.org Emergency after hours: 610-526-0487

CLERGY

The Rev. Peter T. Vanderveen

Rector

pvanderveen@theredeemer.org, ext. 17

The Rev. Jo Ann B. Jones

Associate Rector jjones@theredeemer.org, ext. 16

The Rev. S. Winnie Smith Associate Rector

wsmith@theredeemer.org, ext. 13

VESTRY

Tracy Steele* Rector's Warden

Chris Zafiriou* Accounting Warden

Paul Adkins

Catherine Carruthers

Chris Chojnacki*

Elisabeth Cooke*

Al Greenough

Kevin Leahy

Melanie LeBoeuf

Harry Miller

Susan Rushing

Jennifer Vollmer-Copas

*Executive Committee

STAFF

Michael Diorio, DM

Organist & Director of Music mdiorio@theredeemer.org, ext. 22

Tory Dunkle, MTS

Director of Children's Ministries tdunkle@theredeemer.org, ext. 20

Ken Garner

Director of Communications & Stewardship

ken@theredeemer.org, ext. 19

Jennifer Leith

Parish Administrator ileith@theredeemer.org, ext. 23

Alexander Leonardi

Michael Stairs Organ Scholar aleonardi@theredeemer.org

Francesca Merritt

Program Assistant fmerritt@theredeemer.org, ext. 14

Paulo Reyes

Sexton

paulo@theredeemer.org, ext. 18

Betsy Wolford

Parish Accountant bwolford@theredeemer.org, ext. 11

The Mission of the Church of the Redeemer is to celebrate the love of God in Jesus Christ. As an open and welcoming Episcopal community, we worship, learn and grow together, supporting each other and our world through the generous and creative use of God's gifts.

NEW TO THIS COMMUNITY?

We're glad you're here! We'd like to get to know you. Please sign the guest book on the podium in the Church entrance way or fill out one of the cards in the pew. We will be in touch.

Worshiping in the time of COVID-19.

Mask wearing is now optional.

Many of us here today were not raised in The Episcopal Church, but have found in this parish a source of spiritual growth. If you might like to join this congregation or come seeking prayer or guidance, please speak to one of the clergy or call the office at 610-525-2486.

For young children, we offer a worship tote bag filled with materials meant to enhance their sense of worship and help them process new prayers, scriptures and hymns. Pick one up in the narthex.

Restrooms are located through the large wooden door halfway down the left side aisle. Baby changing stations are in the handicap restroom off the left side aisle and in the hallway restroom behind the high altar.

Wi-Fi Access

Choose: COTR-Congregation

Password: Redeemer1881

Best sources for information on all our ministries are on our ALL NEW website (www. TheRedeemer.org), Facebook page (RedeemerBrynMawr), Twitter feed (@TheRedeemerPA) and Instagram (theredeemerpa).

Submission guidelines and a submission form for The News can be found at www. TheRedeemer.org/the news.

ASK AN USHER

- For hearing assistance devices
- For a card to drop in the offering plate if you give online

THIS WEEK AT THE REDEEMER

Monday January 2	
8:00pm	Office Closed NA
Tuesda	ay January 3
6:00pm 9:00pm	Stewardship Committee
Wedne	esday January 4 Elizabeth Ann seton, Vowed Religious & Educator, 1821
12:00pm 1:00pm 2:00pm 2:00pm 5:00pm 5:00pm 6:00pm 6:45pm Thurso	Holy Eucharist
12:00pm 1:00pm 7:00pm 9:00pm	Women Exploring Scripture
9:00am 11:00am 3:00pm 5:30pm 5:30pm	Flower Guild (Friday or Saturday)
5:30pm	Prysm Rehearsal Burns Hall Prysm YA Masterman Hall
5:30pm	·
5:30pm Saturd 9:00am 10:30am	Prysm YA
5:30pm Saturd 9:00am 10:30am Sunday	PrysmYA
5:30pm Saturd 9:00am 10:30am 8:00am 9:15am 9:30am 10:30am 10:30am	Prysm YA
5:30pm Saturd 9:00am 10:30am Sunday 8:00am 9:15am 9:30am 10:30am	Prysm YA

IN OUR PRAYERS

• For those who are sick or in need:

Lou Russo Fran Northrup

Pierce Archer I.D.

Morris Dana Monica Hackett

Barbara **Jeffrey** Janet Harvey Gene Meg John

Louise Marx Chris McCleary Rebecca Clothier Case

- For our brothers and sisters in Malawi affected by HIV/AIDS.
- For those fleeing from devastation in their countries of origin.
- For the victims of violence in this country and throughout the world, especially Ukraine.
- For those who have died, especially Leila Peck and the victims of gun violence throughout this country.

If you know a parishioner who needs pastoral care or could use a visit, please contact Peter Vanderveen-pvanderveen@theredeemer.org or ext. 17, Jo Ann Jones-jjones@theredeemer.org or ext. 16, or any member of the Pastoral Care Committee. To add names or thanksgivings to the prayer list, use the online form at: www.TheRedeemer.org/pastoral care or contact Jo Ann Jones; jjones@theredeemer.org

CHURCH SCHOOL AND YOUTH MINISTRIES

CHURCH SCHOOL AND NURSERY TAKE A BREAK AND RESUME JANUARY 8

Preschool - Rm 221 (age 3 to Kindergarten)

Lower Elementary - Rm 215 (grades 1 to 3)

Upper School - Rm 217 (grades 4 thru 7)

We offer a comprehensive Church School program for children age 3 through middle school and Confirmation. Each week our children and youth begin the morning gather together in age-appropriate large groups to experience hands-on lessons grounded in Biblical narratives or the life of the Church. These large group gatherings provide lesson synergy for families with children spanning multiple age levels. Following these large lessons, the children break into their age level classes for age-appropriate activities and discussions to reinforce and deepen their understanding of the morning's lesson.

Confirmation - Hospitality Suite

Confirmation is offered to youth (and adults!) in 8th grade or older. Through interactive sessions, our confirmands wrestle alongside one another and their teachers with the big questions of our faith as Episcopalians. Eventually students will be able to determine whether the rite of confirmation, in which we express a mature commitment to Christ, is something they would like to pursue. Youth confirmation class meets on Sundays after church, and adults interested in this sacramental rite are encouraged to reach out to the clergy to find a good time to do their own preparation.

Redeemer Youth Group - Youth Cottage

The Redeemer Youth Group, RYG, meets every Sunday afternoon from 4-6 pm. We play games, share a meal, and explore complicated human issues through a lens of faith. We are very active at St. Francis Inn in Kensington, have wonderful bonding outings including canoe trips, ropes courses, trampoline parks and much more. Each year we take a trip to a different part of the country to work with, and learn from, the people of our great country.

WAYS TO GIVE









Via PayPal

All Options