News from Episcopal Church of Redeemer

JANUARY 7, 2024

NEW & NOTEWORTHY

Welcome Bishop Daniel Gutiérrez



We welcome our Bishop today as he Confirms 14 youth and Receives 3 adults into the Episcopal Church during the 9:30am service. Please join us for a reception in Burns Hall following the service.

Thank You Teachers

Today is a day of celebration for Church of the Redeemer as we officially welcome fourteen young people and three adults into the parish. So many hours of preparation have led to this point, and we are especially grateful to the adults who have given time and energy this year as confirmation teachers. So thank you Cheryl Masterman, Kate Chojnacki, Daniel Wesley, Scott Carter, and Rebecca Northington!



Parents Group

The Redeemer Parents Group is a relatively new group at The Redeemer that has developed over the last year to address the growing rates of child and adolescent mental health challenges. This group was designed to be a safe and confidential place for parents to share their experiences, worries and hopes for all of our children. This group welcomes anyone from our greater community and hosts speakers of varying backgrounds including psychiatrists, psychologists, school counselors, survivors, and filmmakers. We always end with extensive Q and A time, and have found that parents need and want a space to explore weighty topics. Parenting is not a one size fits all endeavor and inherently demands a level of faith that is as demanding as any faith relationship. Our next meeting will be in January and we hope you will join us! Contact Rebecca Northington at rnorthington@ theredeemer.org.

Sunday, January 7		The First Sunday after the Epiphany
8:00am	Spoken Holy Eucharist Rite I	Church
9:15am	Nursery	
9:30am	Confirmation & Holy Eucharist Rite II.	Church & via Livestream
	Confirmation Service	Bp. Gutiérrez Visitation
10:40am	Coffee Hour	Burns Hall
10:45am	Music Committee Meeting	Staff Conf Rm 204
2:00pm	Private Shower	Rm 125
4:00pm	RYG	Youth Cottage
5:00pm	Choral Evensong	Church

OPPORTUNITIES

Coming Adult Forums

On January 14, 21, and 28, some of our own experts – Joshua Castaño, the Rev. Jo Ann Jones, and Andrew Senn – will help us better understand the worship experience. Why does the building matter? What are all of the decorations and items we use in worship? And how does it all come together in the liturgy? Please join us for this fun series which will take place in the nave of the church, after the service

2024 Grant Applications

The Outreach Grant application is now posted on www.TheRedeemer. org/grants and publicly is 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.The-Redeemer.org/closures and from a link on the homepage. Our policy is to follow the lead of the Lower Merion School District.

Music at The Redeemer

Warm-up your winter with unique musical events

Bach by Candlelight

Sunday, January 14 at 5pm

Join Andrew Senn and friends in the candlelight warmth of Burns Hall for a concert of the immortal music of J.S. Bach Orchestral Suite in b minor Gamba Sonata in G Flute Sonata in E flat

Brandenburg Concerto No. 5
Tickets \$40

Register in advance at www.TheRedeemer.org/RSVP pay at the door





A Case For Love



In local theaters for ONE day only, January 23.

We have an invaluable opportunity to view this timely movie featuring Presiding Bishop Curry and others exploring Racial Justice, Sexual Identity, Military Service, Foster Care, Politics, Sexual Trafficking, Disability, Loss of Loved Ones, Refugees, Volunteering, Food Justice and more. Visit acasforlowvemovie.com for local theater locations. In a time of national chaos and lack of unity, watch as our film team travels the US searching for people living their lives selflessly. Join us as we interview random people on the street and

well-known figures, including Pete Buttigieg, Al Roker, Becca Stevens, and more. Where have they witnessed unselfish love? Where have they seen its absence? Finally, watch Bishop Michael Curry place all we've seen into context.

Getting to Know You

We encourage you to upload individual and family photos to our online Parish Directory. It's a great and the best way for us to get to know one another. Easy and detailed step-by-step instructions can be found on our homepage www. TheRedeemer.org under News Items. You can view directories and/or lookup addresses, phone numbers, emails, update your family, etc. via Member Access. If you have any challenges, please contact Ken Garner at ken@theredeemer.org or ext. 19. In addition, lots of people have givenup phone landlines. If we do not have your cell number, please enter it in Member Access or email it to fmerritt@theredeemer.

Christmas Clean-Up

Christmas Village Crafts will tak your no longer needed garlands, lights, trees and ornaments. Baskets, bags and better boxes are welcome also. Please place them in the box by the coat racks in the Parish House or in the Craft Room 007.

January 26 at St. Barnabas Mission

Friday, January 26 11am to 1:30pm

Episcopal Community Services transformed St. Barnabas Mission from a 107-bed emergency shelter to a Community Resource Center. Tour the open choice pantry, the industrial kitchen, the playground, the health center, the community meeting rooms, and hear how St. Barnabas Community Resource Center is becoming a resource for community-centric health and prosperity in West Philadelphia. Then volunteer in Cook-Off, packaging meals to be delivered to residents of local senior centers. Just 6 miles from the The Redeemer. Meet in The Redeemer parking lot at 10:30am if you'd like to join the car pool. Please contact Anna Gerrity at agrunrun@gmail.com for additional information and to let us know you would like to participate!

2024 Stewardship Campaign

Making your pledge known now allows our Vestry to plan and make accurate budgets for 2024. You can view the innumerable ways to give and pledge at www.TheRedeemer.org/give. We are exceedingly grateful to these parishioners who have already made a pledge for 2024.

Pledge Stats as of 1-4-24 289 Pledges \$1,026,400.79 9.64% overall increase

Maisie Adamson
Paul & Mary Adkins
Richard & Kris Aldridge
Charlie Alexander
James & Julia Alexandre
Walter & Arden Armstrong
Warren & Susan Ayres
Stephen Baker
John & Carolyn Bartholdson
Glenn Beamer
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Jeffrey Bell
Tom & Carolyn Bennett
Sandra Berwind
Barbara Billings
Diana Bittel
John & Lisa Black
Charlie & Susan Bloom
Al & Leslie Boris
Fred & Becky Brackett
Priscilla Bradshaw
Joseph & Mary Beth Bright
Jamie & Joan
Bromley
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Rick & Phyllis Brown
Bob & Nancy Bruechert
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Andrew & Karen Bucklee
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Chris & Betsy Drowell
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Stephen Ciottoni & Emily Gibb Ciottoni
Pete & Beth Goodhart
Al & Sallie Greenough
Grant Griffiths & Raffaella Lo Castro
Bill Gross & Jan Clarke
Peter Grove & Nancy Greene
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Tan Hamilton
Christopher & Noel Hanley
Greg & Lorrie Harper
Carol Harris
Nancy Harris
Sill Hartz & Cynthia Cericola-Hartz
Joan Harvey
Jane Hastings
Louise Havens
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Jim Kelleher & Rik Morris
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Morris & Anne Kellett
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Gregory & Anita Lewicki
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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:

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.

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

THIS WEEK AT THE REDEEMER

Monday, January 8		Harriet Bedell, Deconnes & Missionary, 1969
3:00pm 7:00pm 8:00pm	Christmas Village Debrief Meetin	als
Tuesday, January 9		'ulia Chester Emery, Lay Leader & Missionary, 1645
9:00am 5:00pm 6:30pm 9:00pm	ChoristersVestry	
Wednesday, January 10 william Laud, Archbishop of Canterbury, 1645		
2:00pm 3:00pm 3:30pm 5:00pm 5:00pm 6:45pm	Liturgy Meeting	
Thursday, January 11		
7:30am 10:15am 10:30am 12:00pm 1:00pm 3:00pm 4:00pm 7:00pm 9:00pm	Men's Bible Study	Rm 125 Room 125 Burns Hall via Zoom & Raymond Library Staff Conf Rm 204 als Burns Hall via Zoom Masterman Hall via Zoom
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Up-to-date calendar always available on www.TheRedeemer.org/calendar All Zoom meeting links are there as well.

WAYS TO GIVE

If you're giving cash, check, or offering envelopes, please drop them in the offering plates at the back of the church.









Via PayPal

All Options

Via Text Via Venmo

IN OUR PRAYERS

• For those who are sick or in need:

Rob & Jeanne Ann-Marie Louise Marx Barbara McClenahan Keanen Gene

Karen Nagel Malcolm Chris McCleary Emily Virginia Simpson Fran Northrup

Bobby Pierce Archer Joan

Stephanie Janet Harvey Monica Hackett

- 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 and the Middle East.
- For our Montgomery County neighbors who are homeless and have lost their safety nets, especially our Family Promise of the Main Line Guests.
- For those who have died 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 will resume January 14: after a long Pageant, Christmas, and Confirmation break, we will be back to our normal Church School schedule next week. Parents, we can always use more teachers, so please reach out to Winnie if you'd like to help!

The Redeemer Youth Group, RYG, will resume meetings this Sunday at the cottage from 4-6 pm. We will spend time preparing for our fundraising dinner 1/27, as well as discussing the implications of the three wise men. God came to us in the form of Jesus, and in their trek to Jesus the wise men represent us coming to God. What could it mean if all of us journeyed to God, to worship and celebrate his presence in our lives?



Please join the Redeemer Youth Group for "Winter Ball" January 27th at 6:30 pm for our annual formal dinner. This year the theme promises to help shake the winter blues welcoming you into a winter wonderland with drinks, dinner, and dancing. All proceeds help RYG prepare for our work-trip to DC in February as well as towards a lasting endowment that can help us realize our bigger trips out west to work with, learn from and serve indigenous peoples of America. The Redeemer Youth Group is a vibrant and active part of the parish that serves communities in need in and around Philadelphia as well as throughout the United States. This dedicated group of high schoolers is excited to bring the parish together for a festive evening in our very own beautiful Burns Hall. Please join us for \$80 a person or \$150 a couple. You can find a link to the invitation on www.theredeemer.org/RSVP. RYG would happily accept any donations from those who are unable to attend, and those too can be made on our website or through checks to the Redeemer with RYG worktrip in the notes. The Redeemer Youth Group has become a critical "third place" for kids to explore spirituality, purpose, faith and fellowship. We thank you for your support.

DID YOU KNOW

Did you know the numbers for Stewardship 2024 look strong heading into the fiscal planning process? Thank you to all who have generously committed to the campaign. To date, 50% or those who pledged have increased their support. 8% are new or returned donors and overall there is a 9% increase in the total amount pledged over last year. We have yet to hear from 25% of those who pledged last year and it would be helpful to hear from you as the Vestry and Staff begin to plan the budget for the coming year. Thank you for the strong show of support by so many!

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