

# News from The Redeemer

Episcopal Church of

OCTOBER 17, 2021

## Adult Forums

**October 17-10:45am Masterman Hall and via Zoom**

**“I have a question.”**

I learned that when these words came from my youngest daughter it was best to duck and run. She had a knack for asking about things that others would quickly shy away from. But her curiosity and her abruptly candid inquiries often highlighted how much we remain quiet about, including many of the pressing issues of the day. Rather than risk potential exposure, we choose to foreclose conversation. This is especially true about matters of faith and how faith may inform matters of public and private life. We just never get to the point of discussing certain things. And as a result, faith ceases to be lively and becomes stodgy dogma instead. This forum will be an opportunity to contemplate important questions that we might otherwise be reluctant to explore with one another, presenting a theology of conversation. Some questions will be presented; others may come from attendees.

**October 24 - Camille Seals**, *Assistant Head of Academics and Inclusive Excellence, Agnes Irwin School* Camille Seals joined the leadership team of AIS in 2019 as the school's first Assistant Head of Academics and Inclusive Excellence. Camille is committed to the education of girls, creating academic environments which allow students to be authentically themselves, and excellence in education pedagogy. Join her as she shares how these commitments serve the AIS mission of learning, leading, and living a legacy.

## Vespers at 4pm

Our third Sunday's Vesper services begin today and feature musicians of Artcinia: Luigi Mazzocchi-violin, Yohihiro Nakano-violoncello, Jennifer Jie Jin-cello. Artcinia was formed in response to the pandemic's impact on the performing arts industry. Artcinia's mission is to address the lack of access to high-quality performing arts in many segments of our society.

## Stewardship Campaign

Emails and letters soliciting your pledge support for 2022 went out this week. Check your email (or mail if we don't have your email) for this important campaign. And we thank you for your response.

## Acolyte Recruitment

Children ages 10 and up are needed for Torchbearers and Crucifers in the Acolyte Ministry. Acolytes serve the clergy in ways that help them conduct the worship services smoothly, purposefully, and meaningfully. This deepens the child's appreciation and understanding of worship. Please contact Head Verger, Bob Mikrut, [vergerbob@comcast.net](mailto:vergerbob@comcast.net).

### Sunday, October 10

8:00 am	Spoken Holy Eucharist Rite I .....	Church
8:30 am	Choir Warm-Ups & Rehearsal .....	Choir Rm
9:15 am	Nursery.....	Rm 208
9:30 am	Holy Eucharist Rite II.....	Church & via Livestream
10:30 am	Thanksgiving Pie Fundraiser .....	Tastings- Burns Hall
10:30 am	Torch Bearer Training .....	Church
10:40 am	Coffee Hour .....	Burns Hall
10:45 am	Preschool .....	Rm 221
10:45 am	Confirmation Class.....	Youth Cottage
10:45 am	Lower Elementary .....	Rm 215
10:45 am	6th-7th Grade.....	Library
10:45 am	Adult Forum .....	Masterman Hall + Zoom
10:45 am	Upper Elementary .....	Rm 217
3:00 pm	Dunwoody Service .....	
4:00 pm	RYG .....	Youth Cottage
4:00 pm	Informal Eucharist.....	Parish House

## Envisioning Redeemer's Future

The beginning of the new church year and the opening of the new Parish House, provide opportunities for renewal and personal and membership growth. The Vestry has designed a brief set of questions to gather in-depth information to use for the following purposes: • 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 • To capture ideas on how to position the Parish House as an asset for the community. Watch your email Inbox this week. Early responses (before October 29) will be entered in a drawing to receive free tickets to the November 7 Mozart Requiem concert.

## Virtual Hosting for IHN

Our collections for Virtual Hosting for two families at Interfaith Hospitality Network culminates Sunday, October 17. The Outreach Committee is asking you to support these families by means of gift cards, cash, or checks made payable to IHN. Bring them to the Parish House or Church by **Sunday, October 17, 11:00am**. There will be a container clearly marked on the counter in the kitchen and in the church into which you may place your envelopes with your gift. If you miss this deadline, please arrange to deliver your items yourself. You may also select items from IHN's Amazon Wish List at any time.

## ECS Forum on Justice and Opportunity

**October 18-22, Monday-Friday 12:00-1:00pm**

### Virtual Lunchtime Sessions

Attendees will learn about intrinsic issues of poverty, and the three ECS Advocacy initiative concerns: Racial Equity; Elimination of the Benefits Cliff; and Promotion of a Living Wage. A special forum session will explore Faith-Based Advocacy on Thursday October 21 at 4pm. For late comers only: During the event week, please register the day prior to any session you want to attend so we may send you a link to the event platform. For more information and to register: [ecsphilly.org](https://ecsphilly.org).

## Gun Violence Prevention Event

**Monday, October 18, 7-8 pm via Zoom**

Join Keneseth Israel's Social Justice Committee, Congregation Beth Am, Congregation Beth David, and CeaseFirePA for a virtual discussion on our gun violence crisis featuring advocates, law enforcement, and elected officials. Redeemer's Kevin Steele, Montgomery County DA, will be one of the panelists. Use this link to register: <https://secure.everyaction.com/D2JXQu69V0-zF3ConzCpQ2>

## Newcomer Gathering

**October 29, 2021 at Moser's**

There will be a welcome gathering offered for all 2020/21 newcomers. If you have not provided contact information, and would like to be included, please contact Sally Moser or Michael Palmisano. Invitations were mailed in early October.

## St. James 5K

**Saturday, November 6**

Join your fellow Redeemerites in a 5k walk/jog/run in support of the St. James School around the school's campus. You can find more information, and join "The Redeemer Runners" team by following this link: <https://runsignup.com/RaceGroups/85409> (Our team password is: RYG22).

**Save the date and invite others!**

Please share our Facebook Event in your Facebook account.



*Mozart Requiem*  
**Sunday November 7 at 7:00pm**

**Featuring choirs of The Redeemer with Vocal Soloists and Orchestra**

Tickets \$20 Students \$10 At the Door  
 Children 12 and under free

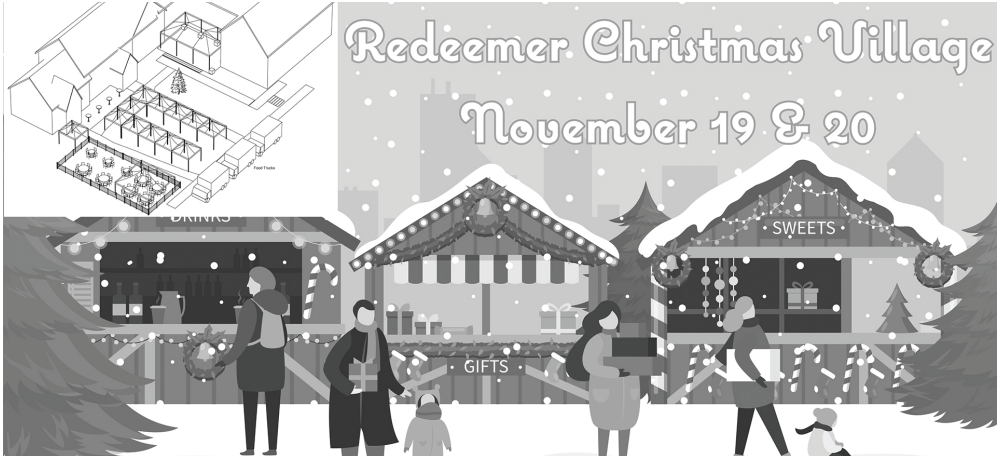
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 childcare reservations online at:  
[www.TheRedeemer.org/RSVP](http://www.TheRedeemer.org/RSVP)

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## DID YOU KNOW

**Did you know** Tracy Steele, Redeemer's Rector's Warden, spoke at the 9:30 Sunday morning service two weeks ago about Stewardship? Tracy announced the kick off of the 2022 Stewardship Annual campaign and made reference to the ease of giving online. Tracy addressed what an exciting time this is for the life of our parish; all our programs and ministries are up and running, the Parish House is open and being utilized, and we have begun a new Sunday worship schedule. She concluded with "we are diligently focused on the growth of our parish and are extremely grateful for the support of our parishioners." Make your pledge online at: [www.theredeemer.org/pledge](http://www.theredeemer.org/pledge)

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



## Countdown Begins - Mark Your Calendars

Outreach fundraising takes a new twist this year! We are hosting an outdoor event ala a European Christmas Village with festively decorated tents on the terrace and in the courtyard! There will be outside merchants offering their unique wares for your shopping pleasure as well as curated selections of donated treasures and Christmas themed crafts. Delicious food and drink provided by outside vendors and joyous music will round out the event.

### It Takes a Village and the Christmas Village Needs You

We need your help to make the Redeemer Christmas Village a success. We are especially in need of silent auction donations. Would you be able to donate food? Prepared meals, desserts, soups or stews? We are also looking for exquisite estate wines, restaurant gift certificates, knock-out vintage jewelry, small specialty items, services such as weeding, planting, tech help, and the list goes on...

Additionally, we are seeking:

- artificial garlands
- fairy lights
- Solo Stoves (with a tender and firewood)
- heat lamps / mushroom lamps with propane
- mini electric heaters to be used in the small tents

Thanks for your consideration. Please be in touch with one of the co-chairs to volunteer your time or to arrange to donate **or loan** items:

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## WAYS TO GIVE



Via Text



Via Venmo



Via PayPal



All Options

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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.

### Worshipping in the time of COVID-19.

For in church worship, all are requested to wear masks at all times and practice social distancing using only pews that are unmarked.

**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 (RedeemerBryn-Mawr), 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

**Monday, October 18***St. Luke the Evangelist*

## Virtual Hosting Of IHN All Week

7:00pm	Christmas Village Committee .....	Rm 215 & Zoom
7:00pm	Naranon .....	Hospitality Suite
8:00pm	NA .....	Masterman Hall

**Tuesday, October 19***Henry Martyn, Priest & Missionary, 1812*

8:30am	Garden Workers .....	Burns Hall & Kitchen
10:00am	Christmas Village Committee .....	Rm 215 & Zoom
3:00pm	Beaumont Eucharist.....	Beaumont
6:00pm	Schola Rehearsal.....	Choir Rm
7:00pm	Crafting for Christmas Village.....	Rm 007
7:00pm	St. Augustine Group .....	Library
9:00pm	Compline Zoom Meeting.....	Passcode 327117

**Wednesday, October 20**

10:00am	Crafting for Christmas Village.....	Rm 007
12:00pm	Holy Eucharist.....	Church
1:00pm	Staff Meeting .....	Rm 125
2:00pm	Liturgy Meeting.....	Rm 125
5:00pm	Cherub Choir Rehearsal.....	Rm 215
5:00pm	Choristers Rehearsal .....	Choir Rm
6:30pm	Redeemer Choir Rehearsal.....	Burns Hall

**Thursday, October 21**

7:30am	Men's Bible Study .....	Rm 125 + Zoom
10:30am	Pastoral Care Meeting .....	Solarium
12:00pm	Women Exploring Scripture .....	Zoom Meeting
1:30pm	Formation Meeting.....	Staff Conf Rm 204
8:00pm	Alcoholics Anonymous.....	Masterman Hall
9:00pm	Compline Zoom Meeting.....	Passcode 327117

**Friday, October 22**

9:00am	Flower Guild.....	Church
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**Saturday, October 23***St. James of Jerusalem, Brother of Our Lord Jesus Christ*

10:00am	Mendenhall Funeral .....	West Laurel Hill
11:00am	Clothier Funeral .....	Church
12:00pm	Clothier reception.....	Burns Hall

**Sunday, October 24***The Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost*

8:00am	Spoken Holy Eucharist Rite I .....	Church
8:30am	Choir Warm-Ups & Rehearsal .....	Choir Rm
9:15am	Nursery .....	Rm 208
9:30am	Holy Eucharist Rite II with baptism .....	Church & via Livestream
10:40am	Coffee Hour .....	Burns Hall
10:45am	Adult Forum.....	Masterman Hall + Zoom
10:45am	6th-7th Grade.....	Library
10:45am	Upper Elementary .....	Rm 217
10:45am	Preschool.....	Rm 221
10:45am	Lower Elementary.....	Rm 215
10:45am	Confirmation Class .....	Youth Cottage
12:00pm	Executive Committee .....	Staff Conf Rm 204
4:00pm	RYG + Bryn Mawr Pres Kickball Game .....	Kitchen

*Up-to-date calendar always available on [www.TheRedeemer.org/calendar](http://www.TheRedeemer.org/calendar)  
All Zoom meeting links are there as well.*



## IN OUR PRAYERS

### • For those who are sick or in need:

Gene	Connor Joel McKay	Monica Hackett
Betsy D'Angelo	Fran Northrup	Jeffrey
Chris McCleary	Karin Helmers	John
Rich Diegle	Shawn Garner	Stephanie Hancock
Glenn Beamer	Linnea	Rebecca Clothier Case
	Joan	

- For our brothers and sisters in Malawi affected by HIV/AIDS.
- For the earthquake victims in Haiti.
- For all those recovering from hurricane Ida.
- For those fleeing from devastation in their countries of origin especially Afghanistan.
- For the victims of violence in this country and throughout the world.
- For those who have died.

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, Michael Palmisano-mpalmisano@theredeemer.org or ext. 13, or any member of the Pastoral Care Committee.

To add names or thanksgivings to the prayer list, use the online form at: [www.TheRe-](http://www.TheRe-)

## CHURCH SCHOOL AND YOUTH MINISTRIES

### New Format

This year we are trying something a little different – all our church school classes (ages 3–grade 5) will hear the same lesson each week. We will kick off the new program year together by introducing the kids to our new large group format. Each week we will gather together for a short liturgy consisting of songs, prayers and lessons. This time together serves as the foundation for the work each class will do diving deeper into the morning's Biblical or theological lesson. The goal of this new format is not only to bring a greater synergy between grade levels, but to also foster a sense of community that has been missing in the last year. We will do this together (socially distanced) and then we will break out into their separate classes for age specific discussions and reinforcement activities.

### Lesson for the Day

#### Creation

#### Preschool-Rm 221

##### (age 3 to Kindergarten)

means that God, the Creator, looked at all creation and declared it “good.”

#### Lower Elementary-Rm 215 (grades 1 to 3)

To help children understand In Creation we hear the story of God's intentional formation of the world. We will spend time focusing on what it means to think of day, night, plants, animals, people as intentionally created and loved by God.

#### Upper Elementary-Rm 217 (grades 4 & 5)

Today we will go beyond the basics of the creation narrative, to explore what it means to know and love God as Creator. We often neglect this title, instead focusing on God as Redeemer, Savior, Comforter; but what does it mean that we God is revealed first in the Bible as Creator?

### Confirmation-Youth Cottage

This week our Confirmation class will take a look at the most prominent prayer in all Christian tradition: The Lord's Prayer. Where did this prayer come from? What is the tradition surrounding it? What is contained in this prayer? Join us this week and find out!

### 6th-7th Grade-Raymond Library

Creation: Week 4. We conclude our unit on Creation this Sunday as we join the lower school for a Godly Play experience of the Creation story. The class will first meet in Room 221 and will then move to the Library to discuss the lesson separately.

### Redeemer Youth Group-Youth Cottage

RYG will be meeting at 4:00pm.