# News from Episcopal Church of Redeemer

**OCTOBER 3, 2021** 

### **Adult Forums**

# October 3-10:45am Masterman Hall and via Zoom Sabbath

How your practice can open the Eternity to you

We are taken with our various means of making and keeping appointments, scheduling meetings, lunches, dinners, play dates, sports events. It is hard to find time to relax. It seems that there is never enough time. Let us explore the possibility of keeping Sabbath. Join Jo Ann Jones this Sunday to probe how establishing such a practice in our lives might prove restful and fruitful. Forums are available via Zoom and the link is found on the online Parish Calendar.

### October 10 - Welcome (back) to the Episcopal Church!

Join Michael Palmisano next Sunday as we learn how to articulate what the Episcopal-Anglican "way" is and consider why our tradition might be a much-needed balm for a 21st-century people.

# Junior Verger Commissioning

Today at the 9:30am service we commission seven new youth Vegers:

Savina Copas Maddie Jodz Henry Seward Sev Fahr, Jr. Ananda Leahy Olivia Stephan

Cormac Rae
This liturgical service opportunity honors youth who have risen through the ranks of
Acolyte Torchbearers and Crucifers giving them additional responsibilities and leadership in
worship. Since its inception in 2014, 34 youth have served the parish as Junior Vergers.

# **Evensong Today at 4pm**

Our Sunday afternoon services at 4:00 begin October 3 with Evensong sung by the Chancel Choir. Music at the service will feature: *Preces & Responses* by Richard Ayleward, *Tallis' Canon* arranged by Michael Diorio, *Canticles Collegium Regale* by Hebert Howells, and *O Lord, Support Us* by David Briggs. These services continue with an Informal Eucharist on the second Sunday and Vespers on the third.

# **Red Cross Blood Drive**

### Friday, October 8, 2 to 7pm Burns Hall, Parish House

Please call 1-800-RED CROSS or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter: TheRedeemer to schedule an appointment.

# **Giving Statements**

Third quarter statements were emailed and mailed this week. Please take a look and check the status of your annual pledge.

Sunday, October 3				
8:00 am	Spoken Holy Eucharist Rite I	Church		
8:30 am	Choir Warm-Ups & Rehearsal	Choir Rm		
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4:00 pm	RYG	Youth Cottage		
4:00 pm	Choral EvensongThe Foundation (20s/30s Group)	Church		
6:00 ṗm	The Foundation (20s/30s Group)	Parish House Terrace		

### **OPPORTUNITIES**

# **COVID Protocols**

Because of the recent Delta varient surge in COVID infections, we are following the CDC recomendations requesting that all persons wear masks when inside buildings.

# Stewardship Campaign

Emails and letters soliciting your pledge support for 2022 will go out this week. Watch your email (or mail if we don't have your email for this important campaign.

# **Donations for Afghan Refugees**

The Outreach Community Services Committee is working with The Impact Center, Haverford, to deliver donations of physical goods to Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst, where thousands of evacuees from Afghanistan are living in temporary housing. A collection bin will be placed in the **Parish House Gathering Space** this **Sunday October 3**.

### PLEASE HELP BY DONATING THE FOLLOWING:

Toiletries such as toothpaste, toothbrushes, shampoos, body washes, soap, toilet paper. Household cleaning supplies including laundry detergent, stain remover, dryer sheets, dish detergent, sponges, spray cleaners.

New underwear and new socks for all ages (including children's size) Any questions, please email andcay@yahoo.com.

# Pie Tastings Next Week

During the October 10 coffee hour taste a sample of the pies being offered in the Annual Choir Thanksgiving Pie Fundraiser. A portion of the proceeds go to support the Margaret Orr Memorial Choral Scholarship at The Redeemer. Choose from Linvilla pies of old fashioned apple, strawberry rhubarb, pumpkin, no sugar cherry, pecan, Dutch apple crumb, coconut custard, and Michael Diorio's own famous pumpkin cranberry bread.

# Acolyte Recruitment

Children in third, fourth, and fifth grades, ages 10 and up are needed for Torchbears and Crucifers in The Redeemer Acolyte Ministry. Servers are needed for the main Sunday service, Holy Days, and holiday services. The function of an Acolyte is to serve the clergy in ways that help them conduct the worship services smoothly, purposefully, and meaningfully and deepens the child's appreciation and understanding of worship. Training will start in October. Please contact Head Verger, Bob Mikrut, vergerbob@comcast.net, or the Parish Office, 610-525-2486.

# **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. The event is free and Redeemer parishioners are encouraged to register by October 15! 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.

## St. James 5K

Join your fellow Redeemerites in a 5k walk/jog/run in support of the St. James School on Saturday, November 6 around the school's campus. You can find more information, and join "The Redeemer Runners" team by following this link: <a href="https://runsignup.com/RaceGroups/85409">https://runsignup.com/RaceGroups/85409</a> (Our team password is: RYG22).

# Hurricane Ida Relief

To help with hurricane relief and reach vulnerable communities devastated by Hurricane Ida and other catastrophic storms, make a donation to Episcopal Relief and Development's (ERD) **Hurricane Relief Fund.** Your gift will provide ERD's partners on the ground with critical supplies, such as food and water, pastoral care and other urgent needs. You'll also assist with the long-term efforts needed to rebuild and heal. Go to support.episcopalrelief.org to donate today.

**WIFI ACCESS** 

Choose: COTR-Congregation Password: Redeemer1881

### **DID YOU KNOW**

Did you know how much the families who are in the Interfaith Hospitality Network of The Main Line appreciate the on-going support they have received from "host" congregations? For the past year Mary Hopkins has gone, every Tuesday, to the twin house in Norristown which currently houses the IHN offices on the first floor, and two families in apartments on the top floors. Mary runs errands or lends a hand for whatever is needed. Mary sees, each week, the direct impact the meals that are delivered, and the handmade encouraging posters that hang on the walls, have on the families. Each Tuesday, the staff (and Mary) open the gift cards and Amazon wish list packages to distribute and there is a Christmas like joy. Mary has a long tenure with IHN since she organized Redeemer's host weeks for years. She is aware these families are our neighbors, who have experienced hard times. She recognizes the transformational support they receive through IHN when they are in the system, and the continued support they receive as alumni of the program too.

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



# Mark the Calendar - Join the Celebration

This year, our annual Outreach Fundraising event moves outdoors onto a tented and festively decorated terrace and courtyard! For holiday shopping, there will be curated selections of donated treasures, new items offered by special vendors, and Christmas themed decorations handcrafted by parishioners. Adults will be delighted by the fairy lights and wood stoves lighting the Friday evening event with its delicious food, wine and cocktails, silent auction and music. On Saturday, special activities will supply lots of fun for children, and members of the community will be invited to join all parishioners in welcoming the holiday season!

# It Takes a Village and the Christmas Village Needs You We need your help to ensure that this new outdoor event is a success. Here are some ways

We need your help to ensure that this new outdoor event is a success. Here are some way in which you might contribute your talents, your energy, and your salable items — Contribute homemade baked goods, classic jewelry and handbags, Christmas crafts, Christmas decoration-and-trim. Note: Due to space constraints, curated items cannot be dropped off. These will be collected directly from donors on Sunday mornings. Contact Lisa Davis (lgd564@verizon.net, 610-733-0095) or Pam McMullin (pmcmullin@comcast.net, 610-331-2262) for information.

Contribute Silent Auction items - we would love to offer:

- Vacation homes
   Golf or fly-fishing outing or sailing adventure
- Catered dinner party Party planning for children or adults
- Portraits of children or pets Consulting services technology, landscaping
- Gift certificates

Please be in touch with one of the co-chairs to volunteer your time or to arrange to donate 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.

### Worshiping 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.

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

# THIS WEEK AT THE REDEEMER

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Up-to-date calendar always available on www.TheRedeemer.org/calendar All Zoom meeting links are there as well.

### IN OUR PRAYERS

• For those who are sick or in need:

Betsy D'Angelo Fran Northrup Monica Hackett Chris McCleary Karin Helmers Jeffrey

Rich Diegle Shawn Garnner John

Glenn Beamer Stephanie Hancock Linnea Connor Joel McKay 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.TheRedeemer.org/pastoral\_care or contact Jo Ann Jones; jjones@theredeemer.org

### CHURCH SCHOOL AND YOUTH MINISTRIES

### Register for Church School!

We are excitedly gearing up for the start of the Church School year. This year, having the most up to date classroom rosters is important as we work to keep everyone safe and healthy. To that end, please register all your children for Church School regardless of your child's participation in previous years. Registration forms can also be found on our website: www.theredeemer.org/children\_youth\_registration

### **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 The Circle of the Church Year

### Preschool (age 3 to Kindergarten)

Lower Elementary (grades 1 to 3)

This morning we will use the Today we will take time to break out time to focus on reflect on the entirety of the colors of the church year the church year by making (purple, white, green and red) our own calendars that each reimagine and recreate a and what each means within student can take home with the life of the church.

### Upper Elementary (grades 4 & 5)

Building on the large group lesson, our oldest children will come together to large format church calendar to display and use in their classroom.

### Confirmation

This week our Confirmation class will become a bunch of heretics (those who choose or have opinions) and learn about notable heretics who sharpened and shaped the tradition and theology of today's Church.

### 6th-7th Grade

Our 6th-7th graders will meet in the parish house library and continue onto week two of the story of Creation. We'll reflect on last week's lesson and interact with our own church yard as we consider our role in caring for all God's Creation.

### Redeemer Youth Group

RYG will be meeting by his Sunday from 4-6 pm. We will reflect on our daily meditations and have some get to know the graveyard exploring games. Please join us!