

News from The Redeemer

Episcopal Church of

NOVEMBER 26, 2023

NEW & NOTEWORTHY

Adult Forum

Sunday, November 26 10:45am Room 125 with Peter Vanderveen

Evangelism: Coming to Terms

The very nature of God is to give. God gives in creating. God gives in redeeming. And in this way God is far more dynamic than we imagine. Forget the daunting but staid figure sitting on a heavenly throne watching everything that happens, waiting to judge us all. — Our very nature as creatures is to receive. We are repeatedly given ourselves in God's creating and redeeming. And since we are made in the image of God, we are uniquely able to do this one thing in response: give thanks. Giving thanks is the core dynamic of our lives. Forget the endless tallying up of perceived plusses and minuses. Forget the impulse to complain. God is continually giving more than we can count. Evangelism is conveying, sharing, and celebrating this truth. We'll be exploring this.

Advent Wreath Making



Sunday, December 3 10:45am Burns Hall

We will be crafting our own Advent Wreaths to mark the season at home. There will be festive refreshments, foam wreath forms, and candles...but this year, we are making this event BYOG (bring your own greens!) There are so many evergreens and holly bushes in our yards, we hope that you will collect clippings (it takes more than you might think) and bring them with you on the 3rd. We will ask for a small donation to offset the cost of materials.

Christmas Village Thanks

Our sincere thanks to all who made the Christmas Village such a wonderful event for our parish and community. The funds raised will make a difference in our community and countless people's lives. The fellowship and fun of the weekend along with the tireless work of our innumerable parish volunteers made the event most memorable. Particular thanks to the entire Christmas Village Committee members and their co-chairs: Kate Chojnacki, Caroline Manogue and Elisabeth Cooke. Watch for tons of photos on the website soon and a report of the proceeds.



Sunday, November 26

The Last Sunday after Pentecost-Christ the King

8:00am	Spoken Holy Eucharist Rite I.....	Church
9:15am	Nursery	Rm 208
9:30am	Holy Eucharist Rite II.....	Church & via Livestream
10:30am	Upper Elementary	Rm 217
10:30am	Middle School/Confirmation Class	Hospitality Suite
10:30am	Preschool and Lower Elementary	Rm 221 & 215
10:40am	Coffee Hour	Burns Hall
10:45am	Adult Forum	Room 125 and Livestream

First Sunday of the Month - December 3

December's first Sunday at 5:00pm Evensong will include: John Stainer's How Beautiful Upon the Mountains, the William Smith 5 part Responses and Magnificat & Nunc Dimittis in A of Herbert Sumson.

Morning Musicales

Thursday, November 30 at 11:00am in the Church

The Main Line Committee for the Philadelphia Orchestra invites you to join them for the second Morning Musicale. Pianist Llewellyn Sanchez-Werner is featured. He is the first prize winner of the 2022 Concert Artists Guild International Competition and will perform well-known works by Haydn, Debussy, and Chopin, as well as Stravinsky's Firebird Suite. He will also present music of Consuelo Velazquez, arranged by the pianist, and a piece by Jesus Gonzalez Rubio, arranged by Earl Wild. It will be an exciting concert! A meet and greet with the artist directly follows the performance. Tickets available at the door on the day of the concerts. Single tickets are \$20.00, and all ticket holders may bring a guest for free! Proceeds from these concerts underwrite student tickets for Philadelphia Orchestra concerts. Please contact Rebecca Clement at rebeccaclement@gmail.com.

Merry Meals

Our annual endeavor providing meals is back. Bags are available in the Narthex and Parish House and we hope you will return them with the items on the list inside by Tuesday, December 19. This is a fun family project and helps us spread Christmas cheer to local households in need and provide them with Merry Meals for the holidays.

Bryn Mawr Carol Sing

Friday, December 1 at 7:00pm - Ludington Library

You're invited to join the tree lighting ceremony and Christmas carol sing by the gazebo behind the library. Santa will arrive via fire truck and hot chocolate and cookies will be served. All are welcome!

Wednesday Suppers

Wednesdays at 6pm

Please join us for food and fellowship on Wednesdays. (We will skip Nov. 22.) In addition to choir rehearsals, Wednesday evening offerings are being planned for the fall and we'll keep you informed as they develop. You can help us by volunteering to offer food through a SignUp Genius link at TheRedeemer.org. There is also a SignUp Genius to let us know you will attend so we know how to prepare. If you'd like to help or for more information, contact Rebecca Winfield at: rebecca.harper@gmail.com.

Getting to Know You

We encourage you to upload individual and family photos to our online Parish Directory. It's a great and 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, etc. via Member Access. If you have any challenges, please contact Ken Garner at ken@theredeemer.org or ext. 19.

Rector's Breakfast Initiative

The most effective way for church membership to grow is by means of personal invitation. And yet...one of the hardest things for church members to do is to invite friends to attend a church service or program. We'd like to make it easier. The goal of the RECTOR'S BREAKFAST INITIATIVE is, through an ongoing series of meetings, to find ways to reduce our hesitation to speak about the church and to consider together how inviting others can be a natural and effortless part of conversation. If you'd like to have breakfast at the Cricket Club with Peter and fellow parishioners, please email pvanderveen@theredeemer.org.

Do You Know A Child Who Likes To Sing?

We're hoping to spread the word about our terrific Choristers program here at The Redeemer. Our new Director of Music, Andrew Senn, has developed flyers and a brochure providing information about the choir. There are stacks of them on the table in the Parish House Clothier Room and in the Church Narthex. Please take a bunch and share them with your friends, neighbors and work colleagues.

Save the Dates

Sunday, December 17 at 5pm
A Service of Nine Lessons and Carols
The five choirs of The Redeemer will offer carols and hymns, interspersed with familiar nativity readings, in this traditional Christmas service.

Wednesday, December 20 8am - 1pm
Red Cross Blood Drive here in Burns Hall. Watch for sign up information to come soon.

COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

Aid for the Middle East

Help Episcopal Relief and Development respond quickly. The citizen death toll in both Israel and Gaza is catastrophic. Thousands have been injured and displaced. Alongside local partners, ERD is stepping in with emergency support for people affected by this war. Make an urgent tax-deductible donation to [Episcopal Relief & Development's Middle East Fund](https://www.episcopalrelief.org/press-resources/responding-to-israel-hamas-war/) today.
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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.

Maisie Adamson
Paul & Mary Adkins
Charlie Alexander
James & Julia Alexandre
Walter & Arden Armstrong
Warren & Susan Ayres
Stephen Baker
John & Carolyn Bartholdson
Glenn Beamer
Tom & Carolyn Bennett
Barbara Billings
Diana Bittel
John & Lisa Black
Charlie & Susan Bloom
Fred & Becky Brackett
Priscilla Bradshaw
Joseph & Mary Beth Bright
Marcia Brose
Andrew & Karen Bucklee
Bobbie Cameron
Sam Chew
Chris & Kate Chojnacki
Peter & Kimberly Clement
Bill & Joanne Conrad
Dick & Otilie Conway
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Jennifer Vollmer Copas
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Jim & Betsy Crowell
Stephen & Margaret Dana
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Gloria DePasquale
Michael Diorio &
Alan Causing
Sophie Donaghy
John & Melissa Donnelly
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Joe & Elizabeth Dougherty
Joe Elefritz
Bill & Katharine Eyre, Jr.
Norma Fabian
Kitty Farnham
John & Evelyn Fell
Gordon & Patricia Fowler
Ken Garner & Bob Mikrut
C. Meade Geisel

Stephen Ciottoni &
Emily Gibb Ciottoni
Al & Sallie Greenough
Jim & Barbara Haley
Pam Hamilton
Greg & Lorrie Harper
Carol Harris
Joan Harvey
Jane Hastings
Margaret Helminska
Bob & Barbara Hobbs
Bessy Hopkins
Mary Hopkins
Carlie Hutton
Sally Jannetta
Steve & Nadia Jannetta
Wilson Jeffreys
Mimi Johnson
David & Joanna Johnson
Jo Ann Jones
Pete Justi
Susan Keith
Morris & Anne Kellett
Hope Knight
Cathy Kraft
Brian Kunz &
Corinne Wilkinson
Barbara Ladd
Susan Lastowski
Giorgio Lauri
John & Melanie LeBoeuf
Margery P. Lee
Victoria Leidner
Timothy & Lauren Leithead
Barb Linder
John & Elaine Lisle
Stephen LoCastro &
Laurie MacKenzie
Marian Lockett-Egan
Mackie & Charlotte MacLean
Charlie & Ann Marshall
Andrew & Cheryl Masterman
Tony & Binney McCague
James & Kristin McGinley
Ann McIlvain
Rodger & Lauren McKinney
Lisa McLean
Sandra McLean

Elizabeth McLean
Sandy McMullin
Brendan McQuiggan
Fran Merritt
Charles & Ellen Merwin
Gregg & Mary Miller
Harry & Rachel Miller
Rob & Janie Morris
Perc & Sally Moser
Karen Nagel
Ted & Carol Neilson
Lathrop & Lorna Nelson
Ryan & Rebecca Northington
Roz Pendergast
John Pickering
Margot Powell
Laura Powell
Caroline Pozos
Andrew Pozos
Dee Pugh
Alfy & Kathleen Putnam
Luisa and Eric Rabe
Doug & Lisa Raymond
Tom & Josephine Rees
Michael & Elizabeth Reese
Gerald & Jennifer Ronon
Herb Rorer
Bill Ross
Arden Saligman
Karl Schoettle
David & Julie Schroeder
David & Diane Senior
Win & Connie Shafer
Nancy Sharp
Charlie Silio & Emily Snell
Dan & Patty Slack
Jim & Prill Smartt
Polk & Nancy Smartt
Hank & June Smith
Winnie Smith
Carol Soltis
Thorne & Marby Sparkman
David & Michele Spence
Tad Sperry & Ellen Harvey
Blair Stambaugh
Tracy & Kevin Steele
Bonnie Steele
Scott & Alexis Stephan

Cindy Stephan
Steve & Bebe Strawbridge
Bill & Leslie Susskind
David Tachna &
Catherine Carruthers
Steven & Erin Tagai
Radclyffe & Maria Thompson
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Trish Bennett
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Martha Wintner
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Spike Yoh
Sook Hee Yoo
Chris Zafiriou &
Jessica Harper
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Pledge Stats
as of 11-21-23

162 Pledges
\$681,967.00
10.04%
overall increase

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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](https://www.facebook.com/RedeemerBrynMawr)),
Twitter feed ([@TheRedeemerPA](https://twitter.com/TheRedeemerPA)) and
Instagram ([theredeemerpa](https://www.instagram.com/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, November 27

9:00am	Piano tuning.....	Church
8:00pm	NA.....	Masterman Hall

Tuesday, November 28 *Kamehameha & Emma of Hawaii, King & Queen, 1864 & 1885*

9:00am	Painting Circle.....	Hospitality Suite
10:00am	Fisher Irrigation winterizing system.....	Parish House
10:00am	Winter Voice Planning.....	Staff Conf Rm 204
4:30pm	Adult Forum Committee.....	Staff Conf Rm 204
5:00pm	Choristers.....	Choir Rm
7:00pm	NEW Committee.....	Staff Conf Rm 204
9:00pm	Compline.....	via Zoom

Wednesday, November 29

2:00pm	Staff Meeting.....	Staff Conf Rm 204
3:00pm	Liturgy Meeting.....	Staff Conf Rm 204
5:00pm	Cherub Choir.....	Rm 221
5:00pm	Choristers Rehearsal.....	Choir Rm
5:45pm	Wednesday Supper.....	Burns Hall
6:45pm	Schola & Redeemer Choir Rehearsal.....	Choir Rm & Church

Thursday, November 30

St. Andrew the Apostle

7:30am	Men's Bible Study.....	Rm 125
9:00am	Morning Musicales.....	Church
12:00pm	Women Exploring Scripture.....	via Zoom & Raymond Library
1:00pm	Formation Meeting.....	Staff Conf Rm 204
5:00pm	FPML Coordinators.....	Rm 125
7:00pm	Alcoholics Anonymous.....	Masterman Hall
9:00pm	Compline.....	via Zoom

Friday, December 1

Nicholas Ferrar, Deacon, 1637

9:00am	Flower Guild (Friday or Saturday).....	Church
5:30pm	Prysm Rehearsal.....	Burns Hall

Saturday, December 2

Channing Moore Williams, Bishop & Missionary, 1910

9:00am	Flower Guild (Friday or Saturday).....	Church
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Sunday, December 3

The First Sunday of Advent

8:00am	Spoken Holy Eucharist Rite I.....	Church
9:15am	Nursery.....	Rm 208
9:30am	Holy Eucharist Rite II.....	Church + Livestream
10:30am	Advent wreath-making.....	Burns Hall
10:30am	Middle School/Confirmation Class.....	Hospitality Suite and Library
10:30am	Upper Elementary.....	Rm 217
10:30am	Preschool and Lower Elementary.....	Rm 221 & 215
10:40am	Coffee Hour.....	Burns Hall
4:00pm	RYG.....	Youth Cottage
5:00pm	Choral Evensong.....	Church

*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 Text



Via Venmo



Via PayPal



All Options

IN OUR PRAYERS

• For those who are sick or in need:

Karen Nagel	Keanen	Chris McCleary
Emily	Malcolm	Fran Northrup
Bobby	Virginia Simpson	Joan
Tim	Pierce Archer	Monica Hackett
John Ledlie	Janet Harvey	Jeffrey
Stephanie	Meg Curry	John
Ann-Marie	Louise Marx	Rebecca Clothier Case
	Gene	

- 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, especially 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

Preschool/Lower Elementary - Rm 221 (age 3 to grade 3)

We will hear the story of a small man named Zacchaeus, who had always been very selfish, but who changed after he met Jesus.

Upper Elementary - Rm 217 (grades 4 thru 5)

Our lesson Sunday is about the many things we anticipate during the season of Advent, which is just one week away!

Middle School - Hospitality Suite (grades 6 thru 8)

6th and 7th graders: meet in the Library for an exploration of the upcoming church season of Advent. This is not just the countdown to Christmas! 8th graders: we will be writing our class Creed in the Hospitality Suite, so please come ready to brainstorm and write together!

Redeemer Youth Group - Youth Cottage

RYG will not meet this week.

DID YOU KNOW

Did you know, as we approach this time of Thanksgiving, The Redeemer is grateful for all the Stewardship support it has received in the past, the pledges for 2024 and for the years to come. Our collective church life exists because of the generations who generously supported Redeemer in the past, and we are extremely fortunate for the current parishioners who sustain all we do through their support. Stewardship enables us to broaden our impact, both internally and with the surrounding community. Thank you.



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