



# News from The Redeemer

Episcopal Church of

NOVEMBER 28, 2021

## Adult Forums

### November 28 – December 19

Join us on Sundays during the Advent season as we wrestle with the implications of an Incarnate God upon life as we know it. We will be led in discussion by each of our Redeemer clergy and be visited by our keynote presenter Dr. Phillip Cary, *Professor of Philosophy at Eastern University and Editor-in-chief of Pro Ecclesia: A Journal of Catholic and Evangelical*, on Sunday, December 5.

**Sunday, November 28 at 10:45am**

**Michael Palmisano**

What might the Incarnation tell you about yourself? About God? About the general public's approach to the holiday season? These questions can be addressed if we spend adequate time dwelling with this most important doctrine of our faith, the Incarnation. Join us on this first Sunday in Advent as we wonder upon the mystery of Christmas and its daily implications for our lives and perhaps discover how giving it the time it deserves might make this Christmas season just a bit more "merry."

**Note: The Adult Forum will be broadcast via Livestream and can be accessed on our website here:** [https://www.theredeemer.org/adult\\_formation](https://www.theredeemer.org/adult_formation)

More information on this series of Forums at [www.TheRedeemer.org/adult\\_formation](http://www.TheRedeemer.org/adult_formation)

## Christmas Memorials

Please send the names of people you would like to be remembered. There is a suggested \$25 per name. Send your check to the Parish Office, attention Fran Merritt by Monday, December 20.

## Lessons & Carols

**Sunday, December 12 at 5:00pm**

Our annual Nine Lessons & Carols Service will feature all of our choirs. Get this date on your calendar and invite your friends. A reception follows.

## Thank You!

What a fabulous event! Our sincere thanks to all the volunteers who offered hours of work to make our very first Redeemer Christmas Village such a success. The fellowship and shopping opportunities, not to mention the food, drink and cookies put us all in the holiday spirit and raised funds for important community groups.

## New Website

Our new website recently launched. Check it out! We've obtained this new site for free to serve as a marketing example to our host organization. Please be patient as we work out the kinks and let Ken know if you find any.

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## We Are Doing Christmas Baskets (Bags)

Each Christmas season Redeemer families generously contribute bags of food to local needy families and help bring cheer to our community. This program, supported by our Outreach Committee, provides food for community groups we work with throughout the year, such as ElderNet and St. Barnabas Mission. Outreach grocery shopping provides an easy, inexpensive way to involve yourself in the joy of bringing a meal to someone who otherwise would not be able to afford traditional holiday fare. For parishioners with young children, it provides a chance for kids to go shopping for the groceries and gives families the opportunity to discuss how rewarding it is to help others. Shopping bags are available in the Narthex and Parish House with a recommended list of groceries. (The list is also available on our website at [www.TheRedeemer.org/hands\\_on](http://www.TheRedeemer.org/hands_on).) Please shop, fill the bag and return it to the parish house by December 21. Only non-perishable items are needed; the church will provide the turkey or ham and fresh produce. If you can help with deliveries in the local community, we could use help Dec. 23 at 8am for roughly one hour—it's very rewarding work that time of year. Any volunteers or those with questions should contact Jay Einspanier at [jay@theredeemer.org](mailto:jay@theredeemer.org). You can print a shopping list online from [www.TheRedeemer.org/hands-on](http://www.TheRedeemer.org/hands-on).

## Calling All Redeemer Elves for ECS

It's time to get ready for Christmas—let's help ECS provide a little Christmas light to the families they serve! There are 600 children in the enrichment and mentorship programs, in six schools across the city this year: **Six hundred opportunities to make a big difference...in one precious life.** It's as easy as purchasing one \$25 gift card, which will be given to the parent to buy the right gift and have the joy of wrapping and presenting it. Choose one of these options:

**Make an online donation via website:** [www.ecsphilly.org/support/donate/](http://www.ecsphilly.org/support/donate/)

List "Christmas Gift Cards" in the Comments box below your donation.

- 1) **Send a check to ECS** with "Christmas Gift Cards" in the memo line.
- 2) **Order gift cards directly from Target:** choose the option to have them shipped to ECS.
- 3) **Order gift cards directly from Walmart:** choose the option to have them shipped to ECS.

**Episcopal Community Services, 225 S. 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, Philadelphia PA 19106**

Once you've placed your order please email Ken Anderson at ECS ([Kennetha@ecsphilly.org](mailto:Kennetha@ecsphilly.org)) so that they are aware of your gift and can watch for it in the mail. **PLEASE, send donations before December 10!** And, **THANK YOU!**

## New Foyer Groups in the New Year?

Whether you're a long-time member or a relative newcomer, Foyer Groups are designed to help you acquire more than a nodding acquaintance with more of your fellow parishioners. The small groups (6-8 people) are formed from all parishioners who sign up. As we begin to emerge from the relative seclusion of COVID, a number of people have asked about resuming Foyers in January 2022. Typically, Foyer Groups of 8-10 people are formed with a designated "first host," with each group setting its own dates for meeting and its own venues (e.g., a pot luck dinner inside or outside a member's home, a local BYO, a spot in the Parish House, a bowling alley). The idea is for us – singles and couples from different spheres and at varying stages of life – to broaden our knowledge and appreciation of one another as members of The Redeemer church family. To sign up, or for more information, please contact Jan Clarke at 610-547-1958 (cell) or [janc144@verizon.net](mailto:janc144@verizon.net).

## Envisioning Redeemer's Future

A review of the surveys submitted so far reflect a strong commitment to the Redeemer community, but we have noticed that many people have opened but not completed them. Some of the questions seem personal in that they ask about your interests and abilities, but you can imagine these are things we need to know to put together meaningful programs. In any case, it is important to address all the questions that you are comfortable with, while leaving others blank if necessary. After all, The Redeemer is your church and we are inviting you to help us re-form our community. We are anxious to hear from as many parishioners as possible. If you haven't expressed your thoughts and ideas about The Redeemer's future, please take about 15 minutes to complete the survey. Copy this URL to your browser to complete your response

<https://lp.constantcontactpages.com/sv/n38uaMb>

## DID YOU KNOW

Did you know how thankful the Stewardship Committee is to everyone who already pledged to the 2022 Annual Stewardship Campaign? We are also grateful to all who plan to give, and to those who want to give. Thank you to the volunteers and staff for their time and expertise with this important component of the Redeemer's ministries.

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

## THESE PARISHIONERS HAVE MADE A PLEDGE FOR 2022

Maisie Adamson	Gay Gervin	Brook & Connie McCann	Mary Beth Sedwick &
Paul & Mary Adkins	Emily Gibb & Stephen	Barbara McClenahan	Helen Wortham
Richard & Kris Aldridge	Ciottoni	James & Kristin McGinley	David & Diane Senior
Charlie Alexander	Bruce & Gale Gillespie	Rodger & Lauren McKinney	Win & Cannie Shafer
James & Julia Alexandre	Frank Grebe	Lisa McLean	Nancy Sharp
Jeffrey Bell	Al & Sallie Greenough	Sandra McLean	Charlie Silio & Emily Snell
Tom & Carolyn Bennett	Grant Griffiths &	Elizabeth McLean	Lorraine Simonis
Sandra Berwind	Raffaella Lo Castro	Sandy McMullin	Dan & Patty Slack
Barbara Billings	Peter Grove &	Hunter & Pamela McMullin	Jim & Prill Smartt
Diana Bittel	Nancy Greene	Charles & Mary Ellen	Mimi Snyder
John & Lisa Black	Jim & Barbara Haley	Merwin	Carol Soltis
Charlie & Susan Bloom	Debbie Hamilton	Gregg & Mary Miller	David & Michele Spence
Al & Leslie Boris	Greg & Lorrie Harper	Harry & Rachel Miller	Tad Sperry & Ellen Harvey
Priscilla Bradshaw	Carol Harris	Rob & Janie Morris	Bailey Sperry
Jamie & Joan Bromley	Nancy Harris	Perc & Sally Moser	Blair Stambaugh
Marcia Brose	Jane Hastings	Abraham Munabi &	George Steele & Kathy High
Rick & Phyllis Brown	Leo & Stacey Helmers	Susan Adeniyi-Jones	Tracy & Kevin Steele
Jay Brown	Christine Henisee	Jean Murdock	Scott & Alexis Stephan
Jim & Lin Buck	John Herzog	Karen Nagel	Cindy Stephan
Andrew & Karen Bucklee	Bob & Barbara Hobbs	Robert & Priscilla Nalls	Ann Stewart
Don & Linda Caldwell	James & Mia Holman	Ted & Carol Neilson	Steve & Bebe Strawbridge
Bobbie Cameron	Sandra Hudson	Lathrop & Lorna Nelson	Ann Strong
Lynne Chapman	Alex & Tucker Hurtado	Phil & Nancy Nord	Connie Stuckert
Sam Chew	Kathy Hutchinson	Ryan & Rebecca	Bill & Leslie Suskind
Chris & Kate Chojnacki	Tony & Sally Jannetta	Northington	Radclyffe & Maria
W. Morgan and	Wilson Jifreys	Francesca Northrup	Thompson
Sonia Churchman	Phil & Meghan Jodz	Michael & Theresa	Christopher & Danielle
Peter & Kimberly Clement	Mimi Johnson	Palmisano	Truckess
Ellen Conlan	David & Joanna Johnson	Lanny & Ann Patten	Mike Tyler
Bill & Joanne Conrad	Jo Ann Jones	Mark Patten	Susan Van Allen
Dick & Otilie Conway	Helen Just	Roz Pendergast	Elizabeth Van Dusen
Peter & Elisabeth Cooke, Jr.	Betty Justi	Thomas & Melissa Peter	Peter Vanderveen &
David Copas &	Gordie & Janice Keen	John Pickering	Trish Bennett
Jennifer Vollmer Copas	Susan Keith	Hobie & Pamela Porter	Jacques & Stephanie Vaclair
Betsy Corkran	Jim Kelleher & Rik Morris	Patricia Pruett	John & Karen Wallingford
Ted & Polly Cox	Cecy Keller	Dee Pugh	James & Ellen Wang
Jim & Betsy Crowell	Morris & Anne Kellett	Alfy & Kathleen Putnam	Joan Warren
Stephen & Margaret Dana	Eric Keuffel & Meena Thayu	Luisa and Eric Rabe	Frank & Margaret Welsh
Chris & Betsy D'Angelo	Jenny Kirkpatrick	David & Jessie Rae	Richard & Pat Wesley
Rick & Rita Davis	Hope Knight	Doug & Lisa Raymond	Daniel Wesley
Bob & Lisa Davis	Elizabeth Kuensell	Tom & Josephine Rees	Brad & Elaine Whitman
Gary Davis	Barbara Ladd	Michael & Elizabeth Reese	Pam Wilford
Jack & Judy Dawson	Anthony & Judy Lame	Karl Richter &	Julie Williams
Rod Day	John & Melanie LeBoeuf	Susan Rushing	Claude & Martha Wintner
Darrell & Julia DeMoss	Margery P. Lee	Jay & Gretchen Riley	Bill & Molly Wood, Jr.
Gloria DePasquale	Victoria Leidner	Philip & Sandy Ringo	Alan Wood & Hilarie
John & Melissa Donnelly	Timothy & Lauren Leithead	Herb Rorer	Johnston
Rod & Carol Donnelly	Nelly Lincoln	Daniel & Jessica Safford	Guy Woodruff
Joe & Elizabeth Dougherty	Roger & Monica Lind	Arden Saligman	David & Ginger Woods
Tory Dunkle	Barb Linder	Patricia Sandiford	Sook Hee Yoo
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Joe Elefritz	Kyle & Melanie Lissack	Mort Saunders	Jessica Harper
Michael Erdman	Stephen LoCastro &	Joan Schiller	2 Anonymous
Bill & Katharine Eyre, Jr.	Laurie MacKenzie	Karl Schoettle	
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Kitty Farnham	Mackie & Charlotte	Marda Schropp	
John & Evelyn Fell	MacLean	Sue Schultz	
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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, November 29

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7:00pm	Naranon .....	Hospitality Suite
8:00pm	NA .....	Masterman Hall

## Tuesday, November 30

*St. Andrews the Apostle*


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8:00am	Western Pest Termite Protection System Install.....	Parish House
6:00pm	Stewardship Committee .....	Staff Conf Rm 204
9:00pm	Compline Zoom Meeting.....	Passcode 327117

## Wednesday, December 1

*Nicholas Ferrar, Deacon, 1637*


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12:00pm	Holy Eucharist .....	Church
1:00pm	Staff Meeting.....	Rm 125
2:00pm	Liturgy Meeting .....	Rm 125
5:00pm	Cherub Choir Rehearsal .....	Rm 221
5:00pm	Choristers Rehearsal.....	Choir Rm
6:30pm	Redeemer Choir & Schola Rehearsal .....	Burns Hall

## Thursday, December 2

*Channing Moore Williams, Bishop & Missionary, 1910*


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7:30am	Men's Bible Study.....	Rm 125 + Zoom
12:00pm	Women Exploring Scripture .....	via Zoom
1:30pm	Formation Meeting .....	Staff Conf Rm
6:30pm	PA. Deputation to General Convention Meeting.....	Room 125
8:00pm	Alcoholics Anonymous .....	Masterman Hall
9:00pm	Compline Zoom Meeting .....	Passcode 327117

## Friday, December 3

*Francis Xavier, Priest & Missionary, 1552*


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8:00am	Legacy into Promise Ops Cmte.....	Staff Conf Rm 204 & Zoom
9:00am	Flower Guild .....	Church
1:00pm	International School of Voice.....	Burns Hall

## Saturday, December 4

*John of Damascus, Priest & Theologian, c 760*

## Sunday, December 5

*The Second Sunday of Advent*


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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 .....	Church & via Livestream
10:40am	Coffee Hour .....	Burns Hall
10:45am	Preschool.....	Rm 221
10:45am	Lower Elementary.....	Rm 215
10:45am	Adult Forum.....	Masterman Hall + Livestream
10:45am	4th-7th Grade.....	Rm 217
10:45am	Confirmation Class.....	Youth Cottage
3:15pm	Choir call for warm-up .....	Choir Rm
4:00pm	RYG.....	Youth Cottage
4:00pm	Choral Evensong .....	Church
6:00pm	The Foundation (20s/30s Group) .....	Parish House Kitchen & Burns Hall

*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:

Susan	Connor Joel McKay	Monica Hackett
Gene	Fran Northrup	Jeffrey
Betsy D'Angelo	Karin Helmers	John
Chris McCleary	Shawn Garner	Stephanie Hancock
Rich Diegle	Linnea	Rebecca Clothier Case
Glenn Beamer	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](mailto:pvanderveen@theredeemer.org) or ext. 17, Jo Ann Jones–[jjones@theredeemer.org](mailto:jjones@theredeemer.org) or ext. 16, Michael Palmisano–[mpalmisano@theredeemer.org](mailto: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](http://www.TheRedeemer.org/pastoral_care) or contact Jo Ann Jones; [jjones@theredeemer.org](mailto:jjones@theredeemer.org)

## CHURCH SCHOOL AND YOUTH MINISTRIES

### Lesson for the Day Advent

#### **Preschool – Rm 221 (age 3 to Kindergarten)**

On this first Sunday in Advent, children will sing and process into the Atrium, changing the color of the cloth on their prayer table to purple and placing on it items such as a purple candle, statue of the Good Shepherd, and Bible.

#### **Lower Elementary – Rm 215 (grades 1 to 3)**

We begin to explore the significance the season of Advent this week as we anticipate the mystery of Christmas. Through the next four weeks we will move toward Bethlehem and arrive at the birth of Jesus. Building on last's week's Chapel discussion on Christ as King and the Holy Family, we shift our focus to the shock and joy felt by the shepherds.

#### **Upper Elementary/middle school – Rm 217 (grades 4 thru 7)**

The 4th through 7th graders will be learning the Nativity story by rehearsing the Church School Christmas Pageant, to be presented on December 19. There will also be costuming, creation of art work for the program, and other tasks to be organized by the teachers. Everyone – whether able to participate in the pageant or not – has a part!

#### **Confirmation-Youth Cottage**

This week our Confirmation class will not be meeting. Happy Thanksgiving!

#### **Redeemer Youth Group-Youth Cottage**

RYG will not meet this week for the Thanksgiving holiday.

## WAYS TO GIVE



Via Text



Via Venmo



Via PayPal



All Options