

News from The Redeemer

Episcopal Church of

DECEMBER 14, 2025

NEW & NOTEWORTHY

A SERVICE OF NINE LESSONS AND CAROLS

Sunday
December 14
at 5:00pm

Andrew Senn
Director of Music

Join the choirs of
The Redeemer as they present
the beloved readings of the
nativity with anthems and
carols to herald the Advent
of our Lord's birth.



RECEPTION FOLLOWS THE SERVICE.

Christmas Memorials

Please send the names of people you would like to be remembered in the Christmas flowers. There is a suggested \$25 per name. Send your check to the Parish Office, attention Roseann Christian by Friday, December 19. You can also do it online at www.TheRedeemer.org/donate_flowers.

Outstanding Balances

Remember that our fiscal year is the calendar year. If you have an amount due on your 2025 pledge, it will help us if you can satisfy it by December 31. View all the giving options online at: www.TheRedeemer.org/give. Thank you!

Seeking Nomination Suggestions

Have you ever considered serving on Vestry? Or, do you know anyone whom you would recommend for this role? There are many reasons to join: for one, next year marks The Redeemer's 175th Anniversary. If there has ever been a year to try something new and/or to become more involved in the work of The Redeemer (complete with its unparalleled history and vibrance within the Bryn Mawr community), this is without question the year to do it! Learn more from a link on TheRedeemer.org.

Sunday, December 14

The Third Sunday of Advent

Family Promise Guests Arrive for a Week's Stay

8:00am	Spoken Holy Eucharist Rite I.....	Church
9:15am	Nursery	Rm 208
9:30am	Holy Eucharist Rite II.....	Church + Livestream
10:40am	Coffee Hour.....	Burns Hall
10:45am	Lessons & Carols Discussion	Pembroke Rm
10:45am	Church School Pageant Rehearsal	Rm 221
10:45am	Music Committee	Staff Conf Rm 204
5:00pm	Lessons & Carols.....	Church
6:00pm	Lessons & Carols Reception	Burns Hall

Where in the World is Jeremy O'Neill?

You may have noticed that Jeremy O'Neill was not with us last Sunday. It was because he qualified for the Tennis League Network National Championship in Miami, FL. Jeremy made it to the semi-finals in the competition. Congratulations Jeremy!

November 30 Offering

We have reason to believe that contributions were stolen from the offering plate during the 9:30am service on November 30. If you made a contribution by check, please contact your bank to see whether your check cleared. If not, please void that payment. If you used an offering envelope to make a cash contribution, please note that we may not have received it. Any contributions we did receive will be duly recorded.

Livestream Operators Needed

Livestreaming has become a significant outreach tool for us and enables us to keep in touch with shutin parishioners. The system is quite easy to operate and we would love to add to the ranks of operators. The easiest way to train is to shadow someone on a Sunday morning. Please contact Eric Rabe (eric.rabe@verizon.net) to register your interest and to see who is scheduled in the coming weeks to arrange for training.

COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

Family Promise Guests Arrive

Our Family Promise guests arrive today (December 14) for a week's stay in our Parish House. Heartfelt thanks to all who have signed up to provide hospitality in the form of meals, visiting, overnight hosting, grocery shopping, setting up, taking down and doing laundry. And thanks to the staff who work with us to make this possible. We are grateful for you!!! We are expecting three mothers and seven children, ages 11, 9, 8, 5, 2, 1 3/4 and 4 months. We hope and pray they will feel welcomed, supported and loved.

Merry Meals

contact tadsperry2@gmail.com

It's time for our annual endeavor to provide Christmas meals. We are asking for your assistance to deliver the bags on the morning of Monday, December 22. Please contact Tad Sperry tadsperry2@gmail.com or Joshua Castano jcastano@theredeemer.org if you can give a morning of Christmas cheer. Bags are now available in the Narthex and Parish House and we hope you will return them with the items on the list inside by **Friday, December 19**. You can also find the shopping list online at: www.TheRedeemer.org/hands-on. 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.



Christmas at The Redeemer

Christmas Eve

4pm Pageant

6pm Service of Light and Evening Prayer

10pm Festival Eucharist

Music begins at 9:30pm

Christmas Day

10am Holy Eucharist

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Christmas Eve 4pm Pageant and 10pm service will be livestreamed.

DID YOU KNOW

Did you know, each year, the Stewardship process uses dedicated volunteers to contact fellow parishioners who have not yet pledged to gently remind them to submit a pledge? The volunteers receive a random list of names, addresses and emails so they may personally reach out to encourage participation in Stewardship. These personal contacts are a very important, and effective, component of the Stewardship campaign.

Thank you to the following Stewardship Volunteers for their time and effort to help ensure the annual success of Redeemer's Stewardship: Arden Saligman, Charlie Merwin, Danielle Trucksess, David Woods, Eric Rabe, Hope Knight, Jim Jordan, John Black, Sally Moser, Stephen Baker, Tiffany O'Neill, Tracy Steele, and Win Shafer.

OUR SINCERE THANKS TO THOSE WHO HAVE ALREADY PLEDGED

Paul & Mary Adkins
Richard & Kris Aldridge
Charlie Alexander
James & Julia Alexandre
Meredith & Hobbie Antik
Walter & Arden Armstrong
Stephen Baker & Leslie Somers
John & Carolyn Bartholdson
Peter & Clare Bastian
Glenn Beamer
Jeffrey Bell
Tom & Carolyn Bennett
Sandra Berwind
Georgia Biezup
Barbara Billings
Diana Bittel
John & Lisa Black
Charlie & Susan Bloom
Loretta Blume
Fred & Becky Brackett
Ronde Bradley
Priscilla Bradshaw
Jamie & Joan Bromley
Rick & Phyllis Brown
Bob & Nancy Bruechert
Jim & Lin Buck
Andrew & Karen Bucklee
Christian & Alice Bullitt
Lee Buttz & Min Hwa Kupfer
Bobbie Cameron
Drew & Babs Camerota
Dick & Lisa Carr
Lynne Chapman
Sam Chew
Chris & Kate Chojnacki
Peter & Kimberly Clement
Joanne Conrad
Peter & Elisabeth Cooke, Jr.
David Copas & Jennifer Vollmer Copas
Ted & Polly Cox
Stephen & Margaret Dana
Chris & Betsy D'Angelo
Rick & Rita Davis
Bob & Lisa Davis
Gary Davis
Jack & Judy Dawson
Darrell & Julia DeMoss
Sue Denious
Gloria dePasquale
Patrick & Suzie Devine
Sophie Donaghy
John & Melissa Donnelly
Rod & Carol Donnelly
Joe & Elizabeth Dougherty
Rad & Susannah Edmonds
Hank & Martha Mel Edmunds
Joe Elefritz
Bill & Katharine Eyre, Jr.
Norma Fabian
Kitty Farnham
John & Evelyn Fell
Philip & Suzanne Fisher
Gordon & Patricia Fowler
Phyllis French
Ken Garner & Bob Mikrut
C. Meade Geisel
Tom & Anna Gerrity
Gay Gervin
Stephen Ciottoni & Emily Gibb Ciottoni
Laura Graham
Al & Sallie Greenough
Grant Griffiths & Raffaella Lo Castro
Bill Gross & Jan Clarke
Peter Grove & Nancy Greene
Jim & Barbara Haley
Pam Hamilton
Peter & Alta Hamilton

Greg & Lorrie Harper
Carol Harris
Bill Hartz & Cynthia Cericola-Hartz
Joan Harvey
Jane Hastings
Leo & Stacey Helmers
Margaret Helminski
Christine Henisee
John Herzog
Bob & Barbara Hobbs
Brian & Jeanne Holeman
James & Mia Holman
Bessy Hopkins
Mary Hopkins
Sally Jannetta
Steve & Nadia Jannetta
Wilson Jeffreys
Phil & Meghan Jodz
David & Joanna Johnson
Karl & Sheryl Johnson
Jo Ann Jones
Jim Jordan & Vanessa Lai
David & Kathy Justi
Gordie & Janice Keen
Jim Kelleher & Rik Morris
Cecy Keller
Eric Keuffel & Meena Thayu
Jenny Kirkpatrick
Hope Knight
Patrick & Libbie Knott
Brian Kunz & Corinne Wilkinson
Anthony & Judy Lame
Giorgio Lauri
Kevin Leahy & Devika Singh
John & Melanie LeBoeuf
Timothy & Lauren Leithead
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John & Elaine Lisle
Kyle & Marlies Lissack
Stephen LoCastro & Laurie MacKenzie
Charlie & Ann Marshall
Craig & Celia Martin
Andrew & Cheryl Masterman
Josselyn McAdam
Jim & Louise McCabe
Tony & Binney McCague
Brook & Connie McCann
James & Kristin McGinley
Rodger & Lauren McKinney
Lisa McLean
Sandra McLean
Pamela McMullin
Fran Merritt
Charles & Ellen Merwin
Scott & Sarah Miller
Daniel & Jill Miller
Sam & Carolyn Morris
Rob & Janie Morris
Perc & Sally Moser
Rich Myers & Erin Langan
Ted & Carol Neilson
Lathrop & Lorna Nelson
Ryan & Rebecca Northington
Francesca Northrup
Brian & Tiffany O'Neill
Lanny & Ann Patten
Roz Pendergast
John Pickering
Sky & Nancy Post
Margot Powell
Laura Powell
Caroline Pozos
Andrew Pozos
Patricia Pruett
Dee Pugh
Alfy & Kathleen Putnam
Luiza and Eric Rabe

Doug & Lisa Raymond
Paul Reyfman & Christine Chan
Jay & Gretchen Riley
Herb Rorer
Arden Saligman
Suzanna Saunders
Karl Schoettle
Nancy Schriber
Sue Schultz
Ken & Amanda Schwenke
Presley Schwinn
Zach & Nicky Scott
Jonathan & Camille Scott
David & Diane Senior
Andrew & Edward Senn
Win & Annie Shafer
Nancy Sharp
Charlie Silio & Emily Snell
Dan & Patty Slack
Polk & Nancy Smartt
Hank & June Smith
Steve Snell
Karen Snell
Mimi Snyder
Thorne & Marby Sparkman
David & Michele Spence
Tad Sperry & Ellen Harvey
Blair Stambaugh
George Steele & Kathy High
Tracy & Kevin Steele
Bonnie Steele
Scott & Alexis Stephan
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Jacques & Stephanie Vauclair
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Cameron & Cathy Warner
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Joel & Phyllis Wasley
Frank & Margaret Welsh
Richard & Pat Wesley
Daniel Wesley
Brad & Elaine Whitman
Dixie Wigton
Pam Wilford
Thomas & Kathleen Wilkinson, Jr.
Lindsey Wilkinson
Julie Williams
Zachary & Becky Winfield
David & Ginger Woods
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Pledge Stats
12-11-25
220 Pledges
\$970,060.52
9.78% 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.

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 or complete an online form here.



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), 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, December 15*Nino of Georgia, Missionary, c. 323*

Family Promise Guests Here for a Week's Stay

11:00am	Barbara Ladd Funeral.....	Church
12:30pm	Ladd Reception.....	Burns Hall
4:00pm	Harriton HS Rehearsal.....	Burns Hall
6:00pm	Stewardship Committee.....	Staff Conf Rm 204
7:30pm	Cantores Rehearsal.....	Burns Hall
8:00pm	NA.....	Masterman Hall

Tuesday, December 16

1:00pm	Clergy Meeting	Staff Conf Rm 204
3:00pm	Eucharist at Beaumont.....	Beaumont
4:00pm	Harriton HS Rehearsal.....	Burns Hall
4:30pm	Adult Forum Committee	Staff Conf Rm 204
6:30pm	Vestry Meeting	Pembroke Rm
9:00pm	Compline	via Zoom

Wednesday, December 17*Dorothy L. Sayers, Apologist & Spiritual Writer, 1957*

11:30am	Staff Meeting	Staff Conf Rm 204
2:00pm	Liturgy Meeting	Staff Conf Rm 204
5:00pm	Cherub Choir	Rm 215
6:45pm	Redeemer Choir Rehearsal.....	Choir Rm

Thursday, December 18

7:15am	Youth Bible Breakfast	Raymond Library
7:30am	Men's Bible Study.....	Pembroke Rm
10:00am	Formation Meeting	Staff Conf Rm 204
10:00am	Needlepoint Group	Raymond Library
12:00pm	Women Exploring Scripture	Raymond Library
4:00pm	Harriton HS Rehearsal.....	Burns Hall
4:00pm	Choristers Carol at Beaumont.....	Beaumont
7:00pm	Alcoholics Anonymous	Masterman Hall
9:00pm	Compline	via Zoom

Friday, December 19

9:00am	Flower Guild (Friday or Saturday).....	Church
9:00am	Jessica Harper building use.....	Pembroke Rm
11:00am	Jean Yarnall Interment.....	West Laurel Hill
4:30pm	Prysm Strings	Parish House

Saturday, December 20*Katharina von Bora, Church Reformer, 1552*

9:00am	Flower Guild (Friday or Saturday).....	Church
10:30am	Church School Pageant Rehearsal	Burns Hall
1:00pm	Christmas Eve Pageant Rehearsal.....	Church

Sunday, December 21*The Fourth Sunday of Advent*

Family Promise Guests Depart

8:00am	Spoken Holy Eucharist Rite I.....	Church
9:15am	Nursery	Rm 208
9:30am	Holy Eucharist Rite II.....	Church + Livestream
10:40am	Coffee Hour.....	Burns Hall
10:45am	Church School Pageant	Burns Hall
10:45am	Confirmation Class.....	Hospitality Ste
4:00pm	RYG	Masterman Hall

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

Please be aware of email scams. Staff members will NEVER request gift cards.
Check the FROM address. If it is not from a @theredeemer.org address, DELETE IT.

IN OUR PRAYERS

- For those who are sick or in need:

Annie
Steve LoCastro
Jill Whitney
John Pantalo
Jane
Kristen
Rhonda
Jay & Martha

Lisa
Carol
Cannie
Malcolm
Pam Daley
Bob Hobbs
Megan
Jill

Andreas Pas
William
Doris
Camille Scott
Tom Gerrity
Chris McCleary
Fran Northrup
Monica Hackett

- 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.The-Redeemer.org/pastoral_care or contact Jo Ann Jones; jjones@theredeemer.org

CHURCH SCHOOL AND YOUTH MINISTRIES

Nursery Care and Preschool - Rm 208 (ages 3 to PreK)

9:15am-11:00am

Church School 10:45am - Second Floor Classrooms

The annual church school Christmas pageant production is underway. We enjoyed an enthusiastic and competent first reading and rehearsal last Sunday. We will meet in Parish House Room 215 for a second rehearsal this Sunday following the 9:30 liturgy. There will be a mandatory dress rehearsal at the Parish House on Saturday, December 20th.

The Church School Christmas Pageant will take place next Sunday, December 21 in Burns Hall at 10:45am.

Confirmation Class

Hospitality Suite

The class will not meet this week.

staff contact joneill@theredeemer.org

The Redeemer Youth Group RYG will not be meeting Sunday December 14, so that members and their families can attend the Lessons and Carols Service in the Church at 5 pm. We will have our final Bible Breakfast of the year Thursday December 18th and will discuss Luke's birthday narrative. Please join us or email Rebecca Northington at rnorthington@theredeemer.org.

