

News from The Redeemer

Episcopal Church of

CHRISTMAS, 2021

Adult Forums in the New Year

Winter Adult Forums

(1/9/22 – 2/27/22):

In the new year Redeemer will be joined by another terrific slate of presenters during our Adult Forum Hour (10:45-11:30am, Masterman Hall).

1/9 The Rev. Dr. Christy Lang-Hearlson of Villanova University. Dr. Lang-Hearlson's academic work focuses upon spirituality, consumer culture, and ecology.
1/16 Steve Chawaga, the Executive Director of Episcopal Legal Aid (ELA), a pro-bono legal service of the diocese of Pennsylvania. ELA's mission is: "To promote access to justice by bringing pro bono civil legal services to low-income residents of Philadelphia and surrounding counties."

1/23 Maria Stroup, founder of The IMPACT Center. Maria has spent her life as an educator and champion for justice and will lead us in a discussion rooted in the

simple (or not so simple) question "What is Outreach?"

1/30 Dr. Glen Skoler, who will lead us in discussion of the racial controversies embedded in Mark Twain's masterpiece, *Huckleberry Finn*. Dr. Skoler is a clinical and forensic psychologist who has written extensively on said topic.

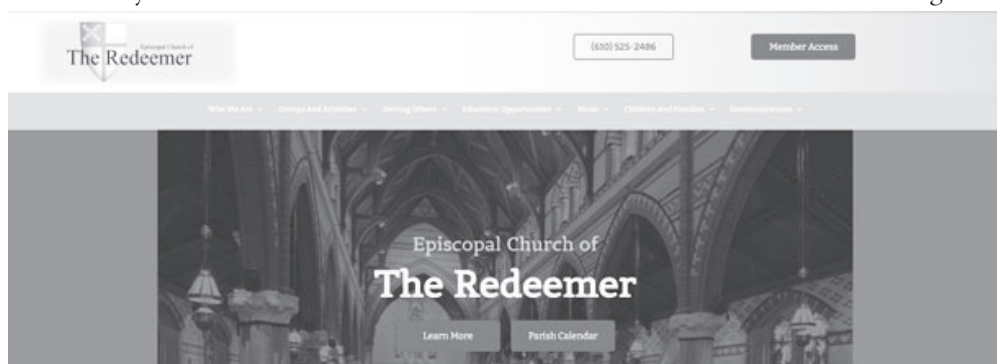
2/20 Dr. Jerry Miller of Haverford College's Philosophy department. Dr. Miller will offer a presentation rooted in his book *Stain Removal* which focuses upon metaethics and the philosophy of race.

2/27 Mike Weilbacher Executive Director of the Schuylkill Center for Environmental Education, who will offer a presentation on "The Healing Power of Nature." For more information on this, future, or past Adult Forum series please contact Michael Palmisano.

Note: All forums will be livestreamed to our website.

New Website

Have you visited our new website? Please take a look: www.TheRedeemer.org



Livestreams Webpage Coming

In the New Year, we will be setting-up a new LIVESTREAMS page on TheRedeemer.org. All of the livestreaming services will appear on one page with direct links to archival recordings. Four screens will appear: Sunday Worship – Adult Forums – Special Music – Funerals/Memorials. The web address will be: www.TheRedeemer.org/livestreams. We'll let you know when it goes live. When our services are LIVE they will appear there as well as on our Facebook page: RedeemerBrynMawr and YouTube channel: RedeemerBrynMawr.

Sunday, December 26

8:00am	Spoken Holy Eucharist Rite I.....Church
8:30am	Choir Warm-Ups & RehearsalChoir Rm
9:30am	Holy Eucharist Rite II Church & via Livestream
11:00am	Private Baptism Kaufman Family.....Church

Sundays at 4pm

Remember, our new Sunday worship schedule includes three different monthly services each month at 4:00.

Choral Evensong – first Sunday; (next one January 2)
Informal Eucharist in Burns Hall – second Sunday; (next one January 9)
and **Vespers** – third Sunday (next one January 16).

Christmas Baskets/Meals (Bags)

Our sincere thanks to all who participated in our Christmas meals gathering. We were able to provide this joyful service to 124 households through the services of St. Barnabas, St. Monica, ElderNet, and St. Francis Inn. Our thanks to our delivery drivers as well.

End of Fiscal Year

The end of the calendar year is also the end of our fiscal year. If you have an outstanding balance on your 2021 pledge, it will help us if you can satisfy it by December 31. You can find your balance online in Member Access or call the office. See the end panel of The News for the numerous ways to give. Thank you!

VOICE Goes All Digital

Beginning with the January issue, our monthly newsletter, *Voice of The Redeemer*, will be distributed via email and the web. If you wish to have a facsimile mailed to you, contact Fran Merritt 610-525-2486 ext. 14.

Foyer Groups in the New Year?

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.

Pastoral Care Thanks

The Pastoral Care Committee is grateful for the 16 volunteers who delivered poinsettias to 31 members of The Redeemer. You’ve brought a part of The Redeemer to them and brightened their holidays.

Grant Applications

The application for the 2022 grants is now available on the website: TheRedeemer.org/grants. Applications are due back by January 31, 2022. These grants are partially funded by the proceeds from our recent Christmas Village.

Christmas Village Report

A much more extensive report is coming in the January issue of *Voice of The Redeemer*, however, we wanted to share some stats from our very successful first endeavor.

- Cost of the Village (including tents, lights, sound system, food trucks, signage, security): Approximately \$35,000
- Net profit, taking into account benefactor donations: Approximately \$60,000

Attendees consumed:

- 120 lb. of beef bourguignon
- 140 lb. of cassoulet
- 50 lb. of Philly steak frites
- 75 lb. sausages
- 300 snails
- 367 crepes

Episcopal Identity

For five weeks we will explore the ways in which Baptism, Bible, Prayer, and Eucharist serve as the primary movements of our faith as Episcopalians. This class is a great opportunity for longtime members and newcomers alike, and will be beneficial to those seeking Confirmation, Reception, or Reaffirmation (on February 6, 2022). The success of the class is dependent upon the spiritual depth and wisdom of all those interested in seeking a more mature faith. Please consider joining us during the month of January. Classes can be attended either in-person or via Zoom and will run from 8 to 9pm on Thursday nights. Drinks and light refreshments will be provided. For more information, please contact Michael Palmisano. Visit www.TheRedeemer.org/adult_formation for more information.

DID YOU KNOW



Did you know, this holiday season, we are so grateful for all the pledges we have received so far this year for Stewardship 2022? We are grateful for the commitments for the upcoming year and for all the support from years past. Thank you to the 271 pledges for Stewardship 2022 and we hope the 62 parishioners who gave last year, and have yet to do so for 2022, will prayerfully consider a pledge, and help make 2022 a record-breaking year. Happy Safe Holidays to all and a tremendous thank you to our entire, wonderful generous church community.

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

THESE PARISHIONERS HAVE MADE A PLEDGE FOR 2022

Maisie Adamson	Tom & Anna Gerrity	Charlie & Betsy MacIntosh	Karl Schoettle
Paul & Mary Adkins	Gay Gervin	Joanie Mackie	Nancy Schriber
Richard & Kris Aldridge	Tony & Erin Geyelin	Mackie & Charlotte	David & Julie Schroeder
Charlie Alexander	Emily Gibb &	MacLean	Marda Schropp
James & Julia Alexandro	Stephen Ciottoni	Christopher & Caroline	Sue Schultz
Warren & Susan Ayres	Bruce & Gale Gillespie	Manogue	Jackie Schumacher
Judith Bardes	Laura Graham	Charlie & Ann Marshall	Ken & Amanda Schwenke
Anne Barnett	Frank Grebe	Sandy & Louise Marx	Presley Schwinn
Jeffrey Bell	Al & Sallie Greenough	Andrew & Cheryl	Joe & T. C. Scornavacchi
Eric Benke & Frances	Grant Griffiths &	Masterman	Mary Beth Sedwick &
Merritt Thompson	Raffaella Lo Castro	John Mather	Helen Wortham
Tom & Carolyn Bennett	Bill Gross & Jan Clarke	Josselyn McAdam	David & Diane Senior
Sandra Berwind	Peter Grove &	Minkie McAdoo	Win & Carrie Shafer
Barbara Billings	Nancy Greene	Jim & Louise McCabe	Nancy Sharp
Diana Bittel	Jim & Barbara Haley	Tony & Binney McCague	Charlie Silio & Emily Snell
John & Lisa Black	Debbie Hamilton	Brook & Connie McCann	Kent & Anne Silvers
Charlie & Susan Bloom	Greg & Lorrie Harper	Barbara McClenahan	Lorraine Simonis
Al & Leslie Boris	Carol Harris	James & Kristin McGinley	Dan & Patty Slack
Priscilla Bradshaw	Nancy Harris	Ann McIlvain	Jim & Prill Smartt
Joseph & Mary Beth Bright	Joan Harvey	Rodger & Lauren	Mimi Snyder
Jamie & Joan Bromley	Jane Hastings	McKinney	Carol Soltis
Marcia Brose	Leo & Stacey Helmers	Lisa McLean	Thorne & Marby Sparkman
Rick & Phyllis Brown	Margaret Helminska	Sandra McLean	David & Michele Spence
Jay Brown	Christine Henisee	Elizabeth McLean	Tad Sperry & Ellen Harvey
Jim & Lin Buck	John Herzog	Sandy McMullin	Bailey Sperry
Andrew & Karen Bucklee	Bob & Barbara Hobbs	Hunter & Pamela McMullin	Blair Stambaugh
Don & Linda Caldwell	James & Mia Holman	Charles & Mary Ellen	George Steele & Kathy High
Bobbie Cameron	Bessy Hopkins	Merwin	Tracy & Kevin Steele
Drew & Babs Camerota	Mary Hopkins	Gregg & Mary Miller	Scott & Alexis Stephan
Dick & Lisa Carr	Sandra Hudson	Harry & Rachel Miller	Cindy Stephan
Lynne Chapman	Alex & Tucker Hurtado	Sam & Carolyn Morris	Ann Stewart
Sam Chew	Kathy Hutchinson	Rob & Janie Morris	Steve & Bebe Strawbridge
Chris & Kate Chojnacki	Tony & Sally Jannetta	Perc & Sally Moser	Ann Strong
Blake & Julie Christoph	Steve & Nadia Jannetta	Abraham Munabi &	Connie Stuckert
W. Morgan and Sonia	Wilson Jeffreys	Susan Adeniyi-Jones	Bill & Leslie Susskind
Churchman	Phil & Meghan Jodz	Jean Murdock	David Tachna &
Peter & Kimberly Clement	Mimi Johnson	Lois Muscheck	Catherine Carruthers
Ellen Conlan	David & Joanna Johnson	Karen Nagel	Radclyffe & Maria
Bill & Joanne Conrad	Karl & Sheryl Johnson	Robert & Priscilla Nalls	Thompson
Dick & Otilie Conway	Jo Ann Jones	Ted & Carol Neilson	Christopher & Danielle
Peter & Elisabeth Cooke, Jr.	Bobby & Katharine Joyce	Lathrop & Lorna Nelson	Trucksess
David Copas &	Helen Justi	Nancy Nimick	Mike Tyler
Jennifer Vollmer Copas	Betty Justi	Phil & Nancy Nord	Susan Van Allen
Betsey Corkran	Gordie & Janice Keen	Ryan & Rebecca	Elizabeth Van Dusen
Ted & Polly Coxie	Susan Keith	Northington	Peter Vanderveen &
Jim & Betsy Crowell	Jim Kelleher & Rik Morris	Francesca Northrup	Trish Bennett
Stephen & Margaret Dana	Cecy Keller	Chris Nyheim	Jacques & Stephanie Vauclain
Chris & Betsy D'Angelo	Morris & Anne Kellett	Michael & Theresa	John & Karen Wallingford
Rick & Rita Davis	William D. Kelley, Jr.	Palmisano	James & Ellen Wang
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Gary Davis	Jenny Kirkpatrick	Mark Patten	Joan Warren
Jack & Judy Dawson	Hope Knight	Roz Pendergast	Joel & Phyllis Wasley
Rod Day	Elizabeth Kuensell	Thomas & Melissa Peter	Frank & Margaret Welsh
Darrell & Julia DeMoss	Brian Kunz &	John Pickering	Richard & Pat Wesley
Gloria DePasquale	Corinne Wilkinson	Hobie & Pamela Porter	Daniel Wesley
John & Melissa Donnelly	Barbara Ladd	Patricia Pruett	Brad & Elaine Whitman
Rod & Carol Donnelly	Anthony & Judy Lame	Dee Pugh	Pam Wilford
Bill & Sally Dordelman	Christian & Peggy Lane	Alfy & Kathleen Putnam	Lauren Wilkinson
Joe & Elizabeth Dougherty	Susan Lastowski	Luisa and Eric Rabe	Julie Williams
Tory Dunkle	Kevin Leahy &	David & Jessie Rae	Claude & Martha Wintner
Rad & Susannah Edmonds	Devika Singh	Ernest Ramirez	Bill & Molly Wood, Jr.
Hank & Martha Mel	John & Melanie LeBoeuf	Doug & Lisa Raymond	Alan Wood & Hilarie
Edmunds	Margery P. Lee	Tom & Josephine Rees	Johnston
Joe Elefritz	Mary Lee	Michael & Elizabeth Reese	Guy Woodruff
Hentzi Elek & Sara Barton	Victoria Leidner	Karl Richter &	David & Ginger Woods
Michael Erdman	Timothy & Lauren Leithead	Susan Rushing	Sook Hee Yoo
Bill & Katharine Eyre, Jr.	Gregory & Anita Lewicki	Jay & Gretchen Riley	Chris Zafriou &
Norma Fabian	Nelly Lincoln	Philip & Sandy Ringo	Jessica Harper
Sevren & Lynn Fahr	Roger & Monica Lind	Herb Rorer	2 Anonymous
Kitty Farnham	Barb Linder	Daniel & Jessica Safford	
Greg Farwell	John & Elaine Lisle	Arden Saligman	
John & Evelyn Fell	Kyle & Marlies Lissack	Patricia Sandiford	
Gordon & Patricia Fowler	Stephen LoCastro &	Suzanna Saunders	
Ken Garner & Bob Mikrut	Laurie MacKenzie	Mort Saunders	
C. Meade Geisel	Marian Lockett-Egan	Joan Schiller	



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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 recommended 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

THIS WEEK AT THE REDEEMER

Monday, December 27

St. John, Apostle & Evangelist

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

Tuesday, December 28

The Holy Innocents

9:00pm	Compline Zoom Meeting	Passcode 327117
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Wednesday, December 29

Thomas Becket Archbishop of Canterbury & Martyr

12:00pm	Holy Eucharist	Church
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Thursday, December 30

1:30pm	Formation Meeting	Staff Conf Rm
8:00pm	Alcoholics Anonymous	Masterman Hall
9:00pm	Compline Zoom Meeting	Passcode 327117

Friday, December 31

Frances Joseph Gaudet, Educator & Social Reformer, 1934

	Office Closed	
9:00am	Flower Guild	Church

Saturday, January 1

The Holy Name of Our Lord Jesus Christ

Sunday, January 2

The Second Sunday after Christmas Day

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
3:15pm	Choir call for warm-up	Choir Rm
4:00pm	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



Via Text



Via Venmo



Via PayPal



All Options

IN OUR PRAYERS

- For those who are sick or in need:

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

- For our brothers and sisters in Malawi affected by HIV/AIDS.
- 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-ijones@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; ijones@theredeemer.org

CHURCH SCHOOL AND YOUTH MINISTRIES

Church School Takes a Break and Resumes January 9

No Nursery care offered December 26. Nursery will resume Sunday, January 2.

Church School Sundays 10:40 to 11:30am

Each week our children and youth begin the morning gather together in age-appropriate large groups to experience hands-on lessons grounded in Biblical narratives or the life of the Church. These large group gatherings provide lesson synergy for families with children spanning multiple age levels. Following these large lessons, the children break into their age level classes for age-appropriate activities and discussions to reinforce and deepen their understanding of the morning's lesson.

Preschool (age 3-K)

Children this age are capable of great wonder and joy, and they respond positively to the order, security, ritual, and movement they find in our Montessori-based environment. This provides the foundation for all Christian formation at The Redeemer.

Lower Elementary (grades 1-3)

Expanding on the hands-on environment and materials offered in previous years, our Lower Elementary children are primed to begin to assume leadership responsibilities, forming relationships within the Church community and explore deeper Biblical and theological themes. This class in particular invites our children to explore Biblical narratives with imagination and wonder found in the Godly Play approach to formation.

Upper Elementary & Middle School (grades 4-7)

Just as fourth and fifth grades serve as a bridge between elementary and middle school, our Upper Elementary class seeks to guide our young believers through Middle School to Confirmation. This program takes advantage of this age group's increasing response to the unfolding generosity of God by asking "What is my place in the Kingdom of God?" This wondering lays the foundation for a life of commitment to the Church's mission in the world.

Confirmation (grades 6-7)

All youth in 8th grade or above are invited to discern the possibility of Confirmation. Our Confirmation cohort meets each Sunday from 10:45-11:30am in the Youth Cottage. Through interactive sessions, our confirmands wrestle alongside one another and their teachers with the big questions of our faith as Episcopalians. If you, or someone you know is interested in Confirmation at the Redeemer, either this year or next, please contact Michael Palmisano. *Note: The bishop will be coming for Confirmation on 2/6/22.*

RYG Redeemer Youth Group (RYG)

The Redeemer Youth Group (RYG), 9th -12th grade, has had a wonderful fall, meeting every Sunday evening from 4-6 pm. We have served at the St Francis Inn on Sunday mornings each month, and had a wonderful work day at Roxborough Presbyterian Church with the Philadelphia Project at the beginning of December. We continue to discuss matters that address the intersection of faith and culture in our lives and have a wonderful and welcoming group that pulls from every school in our area. Please join us!