

News from The Redeemer

Episcopal Church of

FEBRUARY 13, 2022



Catherine Carruthers
Vestry Nominee



Kevin Leahy
Vestry Nominee

Episcopal Church of The Redeemer

170th
Annual Parish Meeting
February 13, 2022

following the 9:30am service

Reports from:

The Rector
Rector's Warden
Accounting Warden
Distribution of Parish Survey



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Tracy Steele
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The meeting will be available via Zoom. Check the Parish Calendar for the link.

Monthly Second Sunday Informal Eucharist

Join us today at 4pm in Burns Hall for our Second Sunday Informal Eucharist. We hear the Psalms each week, but how often do we pay attention to the tone the Psalmist uses? We will focus on the ways in which the Psalmist used song/poetry to express not just love and praise for God, but also frustration, lament and anger. God does not ask for only our joy and thanksgiving. God welcomes us to come with all our emotions. For this month's post-service activity, we will be composing our own psalms using a mixture of traditional, silly and sassy Valentine's conversation hearts. Next week is Vespers.

Livestreams Webpage Is Here

There is 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 appear: **Sunday Worship - Holidays & Special Music - Adult Forums - Funerals/Memorials**. The web address is: www.TheRedeemer.org/livestreams. When our services are LIVE they will appear there as well as on our Facebook page: RedeemerBrynMawr and YouTube channel: RedeemerBrynMawr. **Sunday services have moved from the homepage to the livestreams page.**

Sunday, February 13

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	Confirmation Class.....	Youth Cottage
10:45am	Adult Forum	Masterman Hall + Livestream
10:45am	4th-7th Grade	Rm 217
10:45am	Preschool.....	Rm 221
10:45am	Lower Elementary.....	Rm 215
4:00pm	RYG	Masterman Hall
4:00pm	Informal Eucharist	Burns Hall
6:00pm	The Foundation (20s/30s Group)	Rm 125

Chili Sale February 13

The Music Committee is once again offering four varieties of Chili for your gustatory pleasure. Sales of Beef, BBQ, Veggie, and the Diorio Special will be available after the 9:30 service on Feb. 13. Quarts are \$12 and pints are \$6. All purchases come with complimentary corn bread. Please stop by the serving area outside of Burns Hall. All proceeds go directly to funding our choir tour to England this summer to serve as liturgical choir for services at Bristol Cathedral, Southwark Cathedral, and St. Alban's Cathedral.

Did You Take the Survey?

We are reopening the "Envisioning the Future of the Redeemer" survey for the two-week period February 14- 28, in order to solicit more feedback from our membership. As we emerge from the Covid cocoon, it is the best way for us to collect valuable information about every adult's interests and talents, so that we can plan valued programs in the future. All responses will be treated with the same level of confidence as our financial records. Please add your response to those of other members who are committed to a bright future for the Redeemer. Follow this link: <https://lp.constantcontactpages.com/sv/n38uaMb>

VOICE Now All Digital

The February issue of our monthly newsletter, *Voice of The Redeemer*, was distributed via email and the web recently. You'll find the issue at www.TheRedeemer.org/voice. If you wish to have a facsimile mailed to you, contact Fran Merriitt 610-525-2486 ext. 14.

Have A Heart Campaign

Every year, the African Children's Mission appeals to your heart around Valentine's Day to support our friends in Malawi. This year we will continue to help with the overwhelming effects of Covid in a country whose fragile healthcare system and resources are not sufficient. Watch your mail for the Valentine invitation.

Adult Forums Return Next Week

Sunday, February 20 at 10:45am

Dr. Jerry Miller, Associate Professor of Philosophy, Haverford College

Dr. Miller specializes in metaethics and the philosophy of race, with a focus on structural histories of language, subjectivity, and embodiment. His areas of interdisciplinary research and teaching include black studies, structuralism/poststructuralism, visual and literary theory, postcolonial philosophy and ethics, and queer theory. He joins us to explore some of the concepts from his book, *Stain Removal: Ethics and Race*.

Aging in Place Safely

Tuesday, February 15, 7-8pm

ElderNet of Lower Merion and Narberth, one of the agencies Redeemer supports, invites you to a free virtual Townhall Discussion. Panelists will discuss how to assess and modify your home for safety. Join via Zoom (Webinar ID 853 3296 7842) or Phone (1-301-715-8592).

Treating Gun Violence as a Public Health Crisis

Wednesday, February 23, 7pm via Zoom

A number of area synagogues, churches, and Baha'i communities of Greater Philadelphia Area are sponsoring a zoom meeting on gun violence. Learn about gun violence through a public health lens with Drexel's Amy Carroll-Scott, PhD, MPH and Penn's Joel Fein, MD, MPH, and about the role community organizations, faith-based institutions and individuals can play in supporting violence prevention, even if they are not located in the communities most affected by violence. Pre-registration is absolutely required. For more information and to pre-register go to: <https://www.bethamisrael.org/event/epidemiology-of-gun-violence/>.

Save the Date

Thursday, March 10, 5-6:30pm

Come reconnect with the vibrant ministry of St. James School's Episcopal education and community engagement right here in Burns Hall. More information to come.

DID YOU KNOW

Did you know there is a team of Redeemer volunteers, who “produce” the Livestream of the weekly 9:30 Sunday service, as well as holidays, special music, funerals and weddings? Caroline Manogue organizes these volunteers to make sure there are two people working the high-tech equipment, which is now permanently located in the Flower room. The Church has 3 cameras, strategically placed on pillars which provide 6 different “views.” Every Saturday, David Woods marks the liturgical program for the Sunday “producers,” indicating what views and angles to program the cameras for each portion of the service. Recently, a few helpful, technically adept members of the RYG have joined this important ministry. Viewers can watch on the church livestream page, Redeemer’s Facebook or YouTube pages. On any given Sunday, there might be over 200 viewers! The Christmas Eve Holy Eucharist service set a record with 500 viewers! Thank you to the volunteers who help make it possible for all to safely worship. Redeemer “Academy Award Nominations” go to....

Richard Aldridge
Jay Einspanier
Meghan Jodz

Ananda Leahy
Caroline Manogue
Scott Stephan

Eric Rabe
Cormac Rae
Kyle Spadaro

Joe Spadaro
David Woods
Carter Williams

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

THE CANDIDATES FOR VESTRY

Catherine Carruthers was born and raised in Baltimore, Maryland, where she attended Trinity Church in Towson and was confirmed at Church of the Redeemer in Baltimore. She graduated from The University of the South-Sewanee with a BS in Biology in 1995, and then attended medical school at University of Alabama School of Medicine, and completed a surgical residency in Birmingham as well. She and her husband Dave moved to the area in 2006 for Catherine to complete a 1-year Breast Surgical Oncology fellowship at Bryn Mawr Hospital. Catherine practiced breast surgery for 13 years in Bucks County before recently joining Main Line Health and appointed the Director of the Brodsky Comprehensive Breast Center at Bryn Mawr Hospital. Catherine and her family joined The Redeemer in 2008. She and Dave have 3 children, Sophie (14), Ewing (12), and Selden (9), who were all baptized at The Redeemer. Catherine and Sophie are active in The Redeemer choirs, and all three children attend church school. Other than her busy breast surgery practice, Catherine enjoys volunteering as an Assistant Scoutmaster for Sophie’s scout troop, riding horses, and serves as a Trustee to St. Timothy’s School in Maryland.

Chris Chojnacki, his wife Kate, and children Stanley (6) and Lori (4) have been members of The Redeemer community since moving to Wynnewood in 2016. Chris has served on the youth education and stewardship committees and teaches confirmation class. Stanley and Lori are familiar faces in the many youth programs at The Redeemer. Prior to The Redeemer, Chris and his family lived in Brooklyn and attended Grace Church in Brooklyn Heights. Chris grew up in Southern New Jersey and attended Lehigh University for Electrical Engineering. After college, he served in the Army as an active-duty Air Defense and Space Operations officer. He received his MBA from the University of Michigan where he also met Kate. After working in New York City, Chris and his family moved to Wynnewood; he currently works for Vanguard, serving institutional investors. In his free time, Chris enjoys skiing, woodworking and an occasional video game.

Kevin Leahy spent the first 18 years of his life in Rhode Island, moving to Troy, NY in 1988 in pursuit of a BS in Biology from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute. It was there that he met his wife, Devika Singh. He finished a PhD in Biochemistry and Molecular Biology in 1998 and graduated with his MD in 2002 from Albany Medical College. He completed a residency in Otolaryngology, Head and Neck Surgery followed by a Fellowship in Neurolaryngology, in 2008 at the Johns Hopkins School of Medicine in Baltimore, MD. Since 2008, he has been in the Philadelphia area on the faculty of the University of Pennsylvania and is now an Associate Professor in Clinical Otolaryngology. It was at this time the Leahy’s joined The Redeemer, and have been active members of the parish ever since. They have 2 children, Cyril (18) and Ananda (15), who are active participants in the youth group, acolyte/verger program, and choir. When not spending time at work or with his family, you can probably find him working on his golf game.

Tracy Steele, and her husband Kevin, who is the District Attorney of Montgomery County, and their children Addison (20), Ainsley (18) and Grayson (11) have been members of The Redeemer since 2008. At The Redeemer, Tracy is completing her first year as Rector’s Warden and serves as a Eucharistic Minister and Lector. Ainsley and Grayson each attend The Redeemer’s church school or youth group and serve in the acolyte/verger program. In February of 2016, Tracy resigned as a partner at Morgan Lewis and started her own law firm known as Ferro Steele LLC. Tracy also serves as Deputy General Counsel of CenterSquare Investment Management LLC. Tracy grew up in Vienna, Virginia, and received her undergraduate degree in Mathematics and Economics from Sweet Briar College and law degree from The Dickinson School of Law of the Pennsylvania State University. Outside The Redeemer, she has served on several not-for-profit boards. Currently she serves on the board of her law school, and is active with Laurel House; she teaches continuing legal education classes and is a member of The Forum of Executive Women and The Haverford School Leadership Council. Tracy’s other interests include travelling, playing tennis, and spending time with family and friends.

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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, if you are fully vaccinated and boosted, mask wearing is 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**

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Best sources for information on all our ministries are on our ALL NEW website (www.TheRedeemer.org), Facebook page (RedeemerBrynMawr), Twitter feed (@TheRedeemerPA) and Instagram (theredeemerpa).

Submission guidelines and a submission form for The News can be found at www.TheRedeemer.org/the_news.

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THIS WEEK AT THE REDEEMER

Monday, February 14

Cyril & Methodius, Missionaries, 869 & 885

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

Tuesday, February 15

Thomas Bray, Priest & Missionary, 1730

3:00pm	Beaumont Eucharist	Beaumont at Bryn Mawr
6:00pm	Stewardship Committee	Staff Conf Rm 204
9:00pm	Compline	via Zoom

Wednesday, February 16

	Voice Deadline	
9:00am	Auditors on Site	Room 125
12:00pm	Holy Eucharist	Church
1:00pm	Staff Meeting	Staff Conf Rm 204
2:00pm	Liturgy Meeting	Staff Conf Rm 204
2:00pm	Reserved	Raymond Library
5:00pm	Cherub Choir and Choristers	Burns Hall
6:30pm	Redeemer Choir & Schola Rehearsal	Burns Hall

Thursday, February 17

Janani Luwam, Archbishop & Martyr, 1977

7:30am	Men's Bible Study	Rm 125 + Zoom
9:00am	Communion Prep	Church
12:00pm	Formation Meeting	Staff Conf Rm 204
12:00pm	Women Exploring Scripture	via Zoom
8:00pm	Alcoholics Anonymous	Masterman Hall
9:00pm	Compline	via Zoom

Friday, February 18

Martin Luther, Pastor & Reformer, 1546

9:00am	Flower Guild	Church
11:00am	Norma Ann "Cricket" Roberts Interment	Churchyard
5:00pm	International School of the Voice	Burns Hall

Saturday, February 19

Agnes Tsao Kou Ying, Agatha Lin Zhao & LUCh Yi Zhenmei

Sunday, February 20

The Seventh Sunday after the Epiphany

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
10:30am	RYG @ St. Francis Inn	Youth Cottage
10:40am	Coffee Hour	Burns Hall
10:45am	4th-7th Grade	Rm 217
10:45am	Confirmation Class	Youth Cottage
10:45am	Adult Forum	Masterman Hall + Livestream
10:45am	Preschool	Rm 221
10:45am	Lower Elementary	Rm 215
11:00am	Steele Baptism (Pvt)	Church
4:00pm	RYG	Youth Cottage
4:00pm	Vespers service	Church

*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:

Barbara
Mike Wolford
Karen Nagel
Gene
Betsy D'Angelo

Chris McCleary
Rich Diegle
Glenn Beamer
Fran Northrup
Joan

Monica Hackett
Jeffrey
John
Stephanie Hancock
Rebecca Clothier Case

- 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.
- 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

Lesson for the Day

Parable of the Leaven

Preschool - Rm 221

(age 3 to Kindergarten)

Today we will hear the parable of the Leaven (Matthew 13:33.) We will imagine together what happens when flour, water and yeast are mixed together and left in a warm cozy space. From this imagining they begin to understand the parable Jesus told, saying the kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with flour until all of it was leavened. The Kingdom of Heaven grows in mysterious ways, from small to great, and often the changing agent can be hidden.

Lower Elementary - Rm 215

(grades 1 to 3)

Today we will hear the story of the Parable of the Leaven. Unlike our modern positive connotation of leaven, people in Jesus' day would have interpreted leaven as a part of the rotting rather than growth process. We will ponder what it means for Jesus to say the Kingdom of Heaven is like leaven – when in ancient times leaven/yeast was formed by leaving bread to mold in damp and dark places.

Upper Elementary/middle school - Rm 217 (grades 4 thru 7)

Today we will begin to explore the significance of the Exodus and wilderness within the life of the Israelites. Over the next three weeks the children will come to understand the role of Moses, the origin of Passover and the importance of the Ten Commandments. We will spend this week learning key details about Moses' early life and his role in leading the Israelites out of Egypt.

Confirmation-Youth Cottage

Congratulations to The Redeemer's new confirmands! As full members of the church community our youth will continue this church year discerning the ways they might be called to serve this parish and the wider community. Beginning today, and extending over the next few months, the class will plan and execute their group service project and join in new ministries of the parish.

Redeemer Youth Group-Youth Cottage

RYG, will be meeting this Sunday from 4-6 pm in Masterman Hall, downstairs in the Parrish House. We will finish up our movie Captain Fantastic and will discuss the aspects of culture, faith, family and reason exhibited in the movie, and how they shaped the characters identities. Please join us!

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