# News from Episcopal Church of Redee

FEBRUARY 6, 2022

## **Confirmations Week**



Bishop Gutiérrez visits today during the 9:30am service to Confirm new members into The Episcopal Church. This is always a special day in the life of the parish. We hope you will join us to greet the Bishop at a reception in Burns Hall following the service.

We welcome into The Episcopal Church today:

Landon Kit Carter

Sponsor: Chris Chojnacki

Cailin Hope Leithead

Sponsor: Jessica Todd Harper

Michael Malloy

Sponsor: Lauren Wilkinson Kaitlyn Isabella Richter

Sponsor: Karen Rushing

Katherine Evelyn Stephan Sponsor: Tory Dunkle

Grace Kearney Vauclain

Sponsor: Samantha Manogue

Marshall Gregory Zafiriou

Sponsor: Rebecca Winfield Nicholas Hunting Zafiriou

Sponsor: Emily Solway

Johanna Reck from Washington Memorial Chapel

# **VOICE Now All Digital**



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

# IHN Host Week February 6-12

Our host week is here! Baskets are available in both the Parish House and Church for your donations (checks or gift cards). An Amazon wish list is also available via www. IHNCares.org. IHN encourages us to write cards to the families and a list of names and events/accomplishments will be in the basket for you to take for card ideas. The Emergency Shelter Program is currently housing two families...a family of four with a son 12 and a daughter 10. A family of three with a son 6. The Graduate Self-Sufficiency Program, which provides ongoing case management and financial assistance to graduate families, has 12 families. Our host week donations provide important help in providing housing, food and on-going expenses which we would be doing if we hosted on-site. Please be generous!

Suriday, February 6			
8:00am	Spoken Holy Eucharist Rite I Church		
8:30am	Choir Warm-Ups & RehearsalChoir Rm		
9:15am	NurseryRm 208		
9:30am	Holy Eucharist Rite II & Confirmation Church & via Livestream		
10:40am	Confirmation ReceptionBurns Hall		
10:45am	PreschoolRm 221		
10:45am	Lower Elementary Rm 215		
	IHN Hosting Week Begins		
12:45pm	Acolyte Training Church		
3:15pm	Choir call for warm-upChoir Rm		
4:00pm	RYGYouth Cottage		
4:00pm	Choral Evensong Church		

#### **DID YOU KNOW**



Did you know a significant part of the success of the 2022 Stewardship Campaign was because of the wonderful volunteers who sent follow up emails and made phone calls to remind, and encourage, members to pledge. Pledged Thank you to these dedicated volunteers for helping The Redeemer have another record-breaking campaign. (319 pledges = \$1,033,554 10.57% increase). We are grateful for the time and effort of the following volunteers.

Jim Buck
Sally Moser
Al Greenough
Melanie LeBoeuf
Jacques Vauclain
Chris Choinacki

Harry Miller Jennifer Vollmer Eric Rabe Lisa Davis Rik Morris Jim Kelleher

Carol Neilson Arden Saligman Carol Neilson Julie Williams Sam Morris

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

#### **OPPORTUNITIES**

# Monthly First Sunday Choral Evensong

TODAY Sunday, February6 at 4pm

The Evensong will be sung by Chancel Choir and feature the Preces and Responses of Richard Ayleward, the Evening Service of C.V. Stanford and Bairstow's Save Us, O Lord.

# 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. As of this week, Sunday services will move from the homepage to the livestreams page.

# Chili Sale February 6 & 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 services on Feb. 6 & 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.

# ACM Have A Heart Campaign

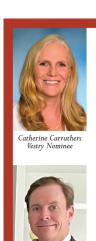
Every year, the African Children's Mission appeals to your heart around Valentine's Day to support our friends in Malawi. This year we will continue to help with the overwhelming effects of Covid in a country whose fragile healthcare system and resources are not sufficient. Watch your mail for the Valentine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

# **Donate Your No Longer Need Decorations**

As you take down your tree, do you have some ornaments you no longer want? Do you have Christmas decorations that no longer tickle your fancy? Before you drag them all to your attic, consider donating them. The Redeemer Christmas crafters and Village workers could use them as they begin to imagine the 2022 Village. Donations will be accepted in Room 007 of the Parish House. Thanks!

Visit our new website TheRedeemer.org







## Reports from:

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



Chris Chojnacki Vestry Nominee



Tracy Steele

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

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.

## Worshiping in the time of COVID-19.

For in church worship, all are required 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 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.

## **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, February 7				
12:00pm 7:00pm 8:00pm	Naranon	Staff Conf Rm 204 Hospitality Suite Masterman Hall		
Tuesday, February 8 Josephine Margaret Bakhita, Monastic, 1947				
6:30pm 9:00pm	Vestry	Masterman Hall/Zoom via Zoom		
Wednesday, February 9				
12:00pm 1:00pm 2:00pm 2:00pm 5:00pm 6:30pm 7:00pm	Staff Meeting			
Thursday, February 10 Scholastica, Monastic, 543				
7:30am 10:00am 10:30am 12:00pm 12:00pm 4:00pm 8:00pm 9:00pm	Men's Bible Study  Needlepoint Group  Pastoral Care  Women Exploring Scripture  Formation Meeting  Outreach Committee  Alcoholics Anonymous	Rm 125 + Zoom Raymond Library via Zoom Zoom Meeting Staff Conf Rm via Zoom Masterman Hall via Zoom		
Friday, February 11  Theodora, Empress, c. 867				
9:00am	Flower Guild			
Saturday, February 12				
Sunday	, February 13	The Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany		
8:00am 8:30am 9:15am 9:30am 10:40am 10:45am 10:45am	Spoken Holy Eucharist Rite I Choir Warm-Ups & Rehearsal Nursery Holy Eucharist Rite II Coffee Hour Confirmation Class			

Up-to-date calendar always available on www.TheRedeemer.org/calendar All Zoom meeting links are there as well.

10:45am 10:45am

10:45am

4:00pm

4:00pm

6:00pm

Lower Elementary......Rm 215

## IN OUR PRAYERS

• For those who are sick or in need:

Barbara Glenn Beamer Mike Wolford Fran Northrup Karen Nagel Joan

Gene Jeffrey Betsy D'Angelo John

Chris McCleary Stephanie Hancock Rich Diegle 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

Baptism

# Preschool - Rm 221 (age 3 to Kindergarten)

Today the children will gather around and reflect on the sacrament of baptism. We will emphasize that on the day of our baptism, our names are called, and we receive the light of the risen Christ. Each child will receive a candle in a container and hold it briefly as a sign on the outside of what we carry within us on the inside. They will also be reminded that no matter whether the candle is lit, we always have Jesus Christ with us.

# Lower Elementary - Rm 215 (grades 1 to 3)

In preparation for next week's Confirmation service we will take time to discuss what they will observe in the service and the meaning behind it. Through our conversation, they will begin to understand Confirmation as a choice to affirm their Baptismal Covenant and to seek God's help in living into that covenant.

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

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! Please join us in Burns Hall after worship to celebrate them and their journeys. Next week our confirmands will join us at the parish Annual Meeting as "full members" of the church.

## Redeemer Youth Group-Youth Cottage

RYG will will be meeting this Sunday from 4-6 pm in the Parish House. We will be cooking and watching a movie that wrestles with the modern influences of our world on our developing identities. Please join us!

## **WAYS TO GIVE**









Via PayPal

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