# News from Episcopal Church of Redeemer

MARCH 10, 2024

#### **NEW & NOTEWORTHY**

## Don't Miss This Extraordinary Concert

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Tickets \$20 www.TheRedeemer.org/RSVP



## The Program Includes:

Parry - I was glad
Elgar - The spirit of the Lord
Stanford - Te Deum in Bb
Colridge-Taylor - By the waters of Babylon

Bainton - And I saw a new Heaven Mendelssohn - Verleih uns frieden Jessica French - Tantum ergo Parry - Dear Lord and Father

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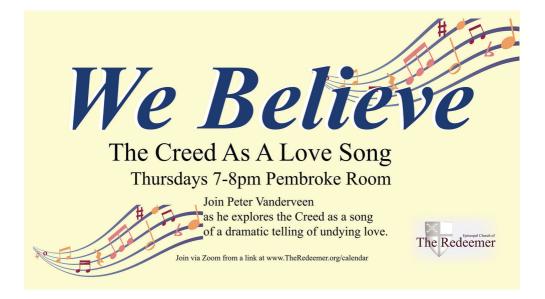
#### **OPPORTUNITIES**

# **Coming Adult Forums**

There is no forum today, but next week we will welcome (via Zoom) Ebonee Davis, Associate for Programming & Historical Research for the Reparations program at Virginia Theological Seminary. Ms. Davis will speak on the topic of repentance and the work VTS is doing to repent of its history and change its future for the better. This is sure to be a meaningful and educational forum, so please mark your calendars!

## **Easter Flower Memorials**

Please send the names of the people you wish to be remembered in the Easter Memorials. There is a suggested \$25 per name. Mark them as Easter Memorials and send them to the Parish Office, att. Fran Merritt, by March 20. Be sure to write the name(s) clearly so that we don't make a mistake. You can do it online as well at: www.TheRedeemer.org/donate\_flowers.



#### COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

# Just a Few More FPML Sign-Ups Needed

Thank you to all who have signed up to help host our guests from Family Promise of the Main Line, March 17-24. We are grateful for you! We have just a few more slots to fill—Sunday, 3/17 and Saturday 3/23 overnights; Monday grocery shopping; preparing Saturday night dinner (usually this means assembling the leftovers); helping to restore classrooms before Church School on Sunday morning; and doing some laundry at home. As always, we're delighted to have you stop by and visit with the guests. Please use the Sign-Up Genius on line (<a href="https://www.TheRedeemer.org/RSVP">www.TheRedeemer.org/RSVP</a>) or sign up on the easel in the Parish House.

## Give a Bag, Take a Bag

The Give a Bag, Take a Bag program aims to ease the transition to the new plastic bag ordinance by providing free reusable bags. At host locations Township residents are encouraged to donate their clean, unneeded reusable bags or grab a reusable bag for shopping! Current locations include ElderNet, 9 S. Bryn Mawr Avenue, Bryn Mawr (behind the Ludington Library).

#### **OPPORTUNITIES**

# Vestry Leadership

At its recent retreat, the Vestry approved and elected members to leadership roles. Tracy Steele continues as Rector's Warden, Daniel Wesley in the Account Warden and Chris Chojnacki and Lisa Raymond complete the Executive Committee. They will serve until at least the next Annual Meeting.

## March 17 5pm Vespers

Human beings are subject to a wide and varying range of emotions that also vary in strength and volatility. The Collect for the Fifth Sunday in Lent does, in fact, refer directly to this aspect of human life and then directs us to God's grace, that we might "love what [he] command[s]." All these "unruly wills and affections" find their expressions and actions in the Stations of the Cross. We invite you to take this journey in Vespers next Sunday, at 5:00pm.

## **AVA Jubilate! Concert of Sacred Music**

## Saturday, March 16 at 7:30pm here in the church

The Academy of Vocal Arts will present its annual program featuring resident artists and full orchestra performing a concert of sacred music by master composers including Mozart, Rossini, Verdi and more. AVA Master Vocal Coach, David Antony Lofton will conduct. There are fliers available in the Parish House Clothier Room. General admission tickets are \$45 and can be purchased online at: https://avaopera.org/event/jubilate-a-concert-of-sacred-music-9/

# Wednesday Night Suppers

Wednesday Night suppers continue. Please come to Burns Hall at 6pm for food, fellowship, and fun. Attendees are welcome to bring adult refreshments if desired, and all are asked to RSVP at www. TheRedeemer.org/RSVP. We hope to see many of you there!

## 2023 Annual Report

Visit www.TheRedeemer.org/annual\_reports to view or download your copy of the Annual Report. If you'd like a printed copy, please email finerritt@theredeemer. org.The minutes from the meeting are now accessible from that webpage as well.

# Livestream Operators Needed

As you know, a new livestreaming system was recently installed in the church. This new system is much easier to operate than the previous one. We would love to add to the ranks of operators and to get our former operators trained on the new system. The easiest way to train is to shadow someone on a Sunday morning. Please contact Caroline Manogue to register your interest and to see who is scheduled in the coming weeks to arrange for training.

# Compline Via Zoom

#### Tuesdays & Thursdays at 9:00pm

Begun during the pandemic lock-down, this beautiful close-of-the-day service continues with a very devoted group of parishioners. All are welcome to join anytime and it may be a nice Lenten activity. You'll find the Zoom link along with a PDF of the liturgy currently being used in the online parish calendar at www.TheRedeemer.org/calendar.

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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.

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), 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, March 11				
UCONN 7:30pm 8:00pm	Cantores	ere All WeekHospitality Ste. Choir Rm Masterman Hall		
Tuesday, March 12 Gregory the Great, Bishop & Theologian, 604				
9:00am 5:00pm 9:00pm	Choristers	Hospitality Suite Choir Rm via Zoom		
Wedne	esday, March 13	James Theodore Holly, Bishop, 1911		
9:00am 2:00pm 3:00pm 5:00pm 5:00pm 5:45pm 6:45pm	Staff Meeting	Raymond Library Staff Conf Rm 204 Staff Conf Rm 204 Rm 221 Choir Rm Burns Hall Choir Rm & Church		
Thursday, March 14				
7:30am 10:10am 12:00pm 1:00pm 4:00pm 7:00pm 7:00pm 9:00pm	Men's Bible Study			
Friday, March 15 Vincent de Paul, Priest & Louise de Marillac, Vowed Religious, 1660				
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4:00pm	RYG	
5:00pm	Vespers	

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

## **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

#### IN OUR PRAYERS

• For those who are sick or in need:

Karen Nagel Wilma Virginia Simpson Biz Emily Pierce Archer Viola Bradshaw Bobby Janet Harvey Tom Gerrity Stephanie Louise Marx Carlie Ann-Marie Chris McCleary Nell Keanen Fran Northrup Barbara McClenahan Malcolm Monica Hackett

- 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, 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.TheRedeemer.org/pastoral care or contact Jo Ann Jones; jjones@theredeemer.org

#### **CHURCH SCHOOL AND YOUTH MINISTRIES**

#### Preschool/Lower Elementary - Rm 221 (age 3 to grade 3)

We will continue talking about Jesus as the light of the world and why God gave us all his Son to make the world and our lives better.

#### Upper School - Rm 217 (grades 4 - 5)

This will be an exciting class led by the Rev. Jo Ann Jones, who will help us learn more We will discuss Sunday's Gospel reading and what it means for Jesus to be a light to the world.

#### Middle School - Hospitality Suite

We will talk more extensively about our plans for our class project with St. James School later this spring. Please join us in Room 215 (not the Hospitality Suite!)

#### Redeemer Youth Group - Youth Cottage

RYG will not meet this Sunday. Please attend the 5pm The English Anthem Concert and support your fellow RYG members who sing in Schola.

## DID YOU KNOW

Did you know, the "Breakfast with the Rector" series wrapped up in the Fall? The result of these intimate gatherings was a list of the top ten potential talking points for speaking to others (friends, family, neighbors) about the strengths of The Redeemer. You may have your own reasons, or own words, for what draws you to the Church. These top ten talking points will be shared in this column over the next few weeks.

2. Magnificent facilities and grounds.

Beautiful and quiet sacred spaces offering the opportunity for peaceful reflection and prayer.

Outdoor spaces for play and engagement, or just enjoying the sounds of nature.