News from Episcopal Church of Redeemer

MARCH 17, 2024

NEW & NOTEWORTHY

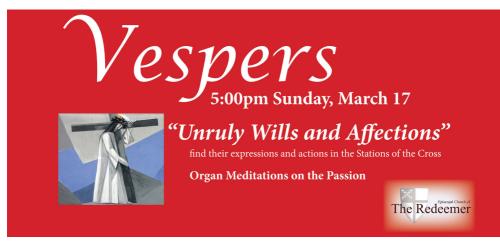
Coming Adult Forum

March 17 at 10:45am - Pembroke Room

We 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 join us!

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, refers 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 with Organ Meditations on the Passion.



Sunday, March 17		The Fifth Sunday in Lent
8:00am	Spoken Holy Eucharist Rite I	Church
9:15am	Nursery	Rm 208
9:30am	Holy Eucharist Rite II	Church & via Livestream
10:30am	Preschool and Lower Elementary	Rm 221
10:30am	Upper Elementary	Rm 217
10:30am	Middle School/Confirmation Class	
10:40am	Coffee Hour	Burns Hall
10:45am	Adult Forum	Pembroke Room + Zoom
11:00am	Nelly Bermon School Concerto Competition Concert	
4:00pm	RYG	
5:00pm	Vespers	Church

OPPORTUNITIES

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.

Concert Video Online

If you missed The English Anthem Orchestrated concert last Sunday or just want to relive it, the video of the full concert is now up on the website: www.TheRedeemer.org/choir_audios.

Good Friday Offering

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Vestry Leadership

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

COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

FPML Guests Arrive March 17

On Sunday we will be welcoming guests from Family Promise of the Main Line for a one-week stay in the Parish House. We expect two temporarily homeless families — Rhonda and 7-year-old Payton and the second family is Charlie and her 15-year-old son Gabe. A third family just found housing so won't be joining us. (Hooray for them!) Many thanks to all who have signed up to help. Each one of you will be playing an important role as you connect with these families, and we are grateful for you.

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



Thank you! The Redeemer Christmas Village thanks everyone for their generous donations of Christmas baubles and decorations. Wow! Room 007 is now full and ready for the Village "elves" to transform these items into refreshed treasures! If you are interested in helping us upcycle, please email redeemerchristmasvillage@gmail.com to be put on the list for communications about crafting.



Save the date! The 2024 Redeemer Christmas Village will again take place on the third Friday in November **(November 15-16)** with the ever-popular premiere party happening on Friday, November 15 from 6-9 pm in the Parish House and Courtyard. Saturday, November 16 will be a day of shopping, music and fun for all ages as we slide into the 2024 holiday season together.

Stay tuned for ways to help and be involved. If you have a *silent auction* idea or item, please email redeemerchristmasvillage@gmail.com. From unique experiences to gift cards to one-of-a kind items – we welcome it all as we try to build on last year's successful auction.

Last year we raised over \$50,000 for our Community Support grants.

SAVE THE DATES



Blood Drive

Church of the Redeemer

Parish House - Burns Hall 230 Pennswood Road Bryn Mawr, PA 19010

Friday, May 3, 2024 12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.



Annual Garden Party

Sunday, May 19, 4pm

Parish House Courtyard

Mark your calendars and be sure to join us for this fun-filled time when we fête our choirs and music program.

Performances by all the choirs, great food and libations and a Silent Auction

Watch for invitations soon.

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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 18		Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop & Theologian, 386	
FPML Here All Week			
Tuesday, March 19 Saint Joseph			
9:00am 3:00pm 5:00pm 9:00pm	Painting Circle Beaumont Eucharist Choristers		
Wednesday, March 20		Cuthbert, Bishop, 687	
2:00pm 3:00pm 5:00pm 5:00pm 5:45pm 6:45pm	Liturgy Meeting	Staff Conf Rm 204 Staff Conf Rm 204 Rm 221 Choir Rm Burns Hall arsal Choir Rm & Church	
Thursday, March 21		Thomas Ken, Bishop 1711	
7:30am 12:00pm 1:00pm 7:00pm 7:00pm 9:00pm	Men's Bible Study Women Exploring Scripture Formation Meeting The Creed as Lovesong Alcoholics Anonymous	Pembroke Rmvia Zoom & Raymond LibraryStaff Conf Rm 204Pembroke RoomMasterman Hallvia Zoom	
Friday, March 22		Jemes DeKoven, Priest, 1879	
9:00am 5:30pm	Flower Guild (Friday or Saturday)		
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9:00am 9:00am		Kitchen Church	
Sunda	y, March 24	The Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday	
8:00am 9:15am 9:30am 10:30am 10:30am 10:40am 10:45am	Spoken Holy Eucharist Rite I Nursery Holy Eucharist Rite II Preschool and Lower Elementary Upper Elementary Middle School/Confirmation Cla Coffee Hour		

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.



4:00pm







Via Venmo Via PayPal

All Options

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 wonder together about today's Gospel story. Jesus knows what he is going to face during Holy Week and Easter. What does it mean for him and for all of us?

Upper School - Rm 217 (grades 4 - 5)

We have a special guest leading class today: Mr. Senn! He will show us how the organ console and explain a bit more about the importance of music in our church services. Please note that we will meet **in the church** after the 9:30 - don't go up to the Parish House; just head to the first few pews of the church!

Middle School - Rm 215

We are also going to be treated to a special class with Mr. Senn. It's sure to be a fun and informative class! Please note that we will meet **in the church** after the 9:30 - don't go up to the Parish House; just head to the first few pews of the church!

Redeemer Youth Group - Youth Cottage

RYG will be meeting at the parish house to finish our viewing of The Passion, as expressed through the musical Jesus Christ Superstar. We will also be assembling the Easter eggs for the hunt on Easter Sunday. Please join us!

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.

3. The quality and depth of the music program, and how it enhances worship and parish community life.

30 Adults, including staff singers, participate. Ample opportunities for children to learn and participate in the professionally taught choral program. Currently we have 9 participants in the Schola program, 9 Choristers and 15 Cherubs.

Support for music education through the hosting of Philadelphia Youth Orchestra Strings Division (PRYSM) at the Parish House on Friday evenings., who give two concerts to the parish and community in the church.

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