

News from The Redeemer

Episcopal Church of

MARCH 19, 2023

Adult Forum



Sunday, March 19, 10:45am - Burns Hall
Meg Shafer, Acting Superintendent, Lower Merion School District

Continuing with our theme of fasting (but with an expanded understanding of that idea!), Megan Shafer, will be with us to speak about social media and technology in schools. She will offer strategies and thinking around creating a healthier balance for young people as well as some policy work that LMSD has been working on. This is such an important and timely topic for parishioners of all ages, and we hope you will attend!

Vespers Canceled

The third Sunday at 4pm Vespers Service will not take place this month.

IHN Guests Arrive Today

Our Interfaith Hospitality Network guests arrive in the Parish House on March 19 for a one-week stay. We will be hosting two temporarily homeless families – a couple with three children ages 8, 6 and 5 plus a mother and her 10-year-old son. Thanks to all who have signed up to help. We still need a Friday night Overnight Host and people to take home laundry after our guests leave. Can you take a turn? Please sign up on our Sign-Up Genius (www.TheRedeemer.org/RSVP), or see Barbara Hobbs on Sunday morning.

Easter Flower Memorials

Please send the names of the people you wish 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 April 3. 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.

Sunday March 19

The Fourth Sunday in Lent

	Hosting IHN.....	Parish House
8:00am	Spoken Holy Eucharist Rite I.....	Church
9:15am	Nursery.....	Rm 208
9:30am	Holy Eucharist Rite II.....	Church & via Livestream
10:30am	RYG @ St. Francis Inn.....	Youth Cottage
10:30am	Upper School (Grades 4-7).....	Rm 217
10:30am	Lower Elementary.....	Rm 215
10:30am	Preschool.....	Rm 221
10:40am	Coffee Hour.....	Burns Hall
10:45am	Confirmation Class.....	Hospitality Suite
10:45am	Adult Forum.....	Burns Hall + Livestream
4:00pm	RYG.....	Youth Cottage

Invitation from St. James School

Grand Opening - March 21 at 5:30pm

You are invited to the St. James School Grand Opening of the Upper School Building, March 21, 5:30 pm. New choir and band classrooms are complete, and the Welcome Table has moved into their new location. RSVP at <https://stjamesphila.org/grandopening/> for food, drink, and a fun way to tour the school buildings.

Saturday Lunches at St. Gabriel's - March 25

A reminder that our parishioners continue to prepare and serve lunch at St. Gabriel's Church on the 4th Saturday of the month year-round. Help make "meatball stroganoff" in Redeemer's kitchen (Friday, 3/24 from 2:00-3:30pm) and/or come with us to St. Gabriel's on Saturday, 3/25. We meet in Redeemer kitchen at 9am - return by 12:30 pm. Contact Jan Clarke Janc144@verizon.net.

Help For Turkey & Syria Earthquake Victims

Episcopal Relief & Development is mobilizing with long-term partners after a 7.8-magnitude earthquake in Turkey and Syria. The earthquake killed thousands and caused widespread damage across the region. Working through Action by Churches Together Alliance (ACT Alliance), Episcopal Relief & Development is rapidly responding to the disaster through existing networks by providing supplies including winterization kits, hot meals and other food, medicine and emergency support. Please continue to pray for those who have been affected by the earthquake. Donations to the Turkey and Syria Earthquake Response Fund will help the organization to continue to respond to communities impacted by this disaster. <https://support.episcopalrelief.org/syria-turkey-earthquake>

OPPORTUNITIES

New Coffee Hour Offerings

There are now two locations:

directly inside the Parish House entrance (gathering space) and in the hallway outside the kitchen. It is our hope that those who wish to attend the Adult Forum in Burns Hall will collect food by the kitchen and enter the Forum. If not, we hope you'll continue with fellowship and food in the gathering space and Clothier Room.

Wednesday Parish Dinners - JOIN US

Please join us for Parish Dinner on Wednesday nights from 6p-7p. What started as a potluck community dinner for choir members and families is now open to the entire Parish. This is a wonderful opportunity to come together for a midweek feast as a community. We encourage parish and choir members to bring their families and friends to join in this weekly dinner gathering. In general, this is an informal potluck dinner, however on the 2nd Wednesday of the month, we will invite everyone to participate in BINGO night as well!

No dinner plans? No problem. Come to dinner at the parish house!

Eating alone? No problem. Come dine with your parish community!

Love to cook? Perfect! Sign up to make a meal!

Not a great cook, but love to clean? Perfect! Sign up to help with clean up!

Busy schedule and no time to cook? No problem! Stop by for a delicious home cooked meal with no prep or clean up needed.

Signups available at: www.TheRedeemer.org/RSVP

Nursery

We are looking to expand our team of professional Nursery caregivers. While we have put ads out on sites, we also know that sometimes the best candidates come from word of mouth. If you think you know someone who would be a great fit, contact Tory Dunkle at tdunkle@theredeemer.org for a copy of the job description.

Lenten Morning Prayer

Wednesdays at 7:30am

Join us as we gather in the Church Chapel for weekly Morning Prayer together throughout Lent. Following the service, you are invited to join the group for breakfast together at a local establishment, to be determined.

Join the Painting Circle

Tuesdays 9am to 5pm in the Parish House Hospitality Suite

Parishioners are invited to come and be creative with The Painting Circle on Tuesdays any time 9am to 5pm. Watercolor is the preferred medium. No acrylics. There is no teacher. Everyone works on their own project. Bring your lunch & liquids & a cloth to cover your table if you have one. There is refrigeration and a microwave. All artistic experience levels are welcome. For more information, email Mimi Johnson artistmimi@hotmail.com or Bunny Coates ebhcoates@comcast.net

NOTE: The Circle will not meet March 22.

Music Program Coverage Update

While the process is put into place to find our new Director of Music we wanted to let you know that we're in good hands. Alexander Leonardi has been named Assistant Organist and will play to the end of the academic year. He will return to us in the fall for his final year at the Curtis Institute of Music. Paul Fleckenstein will return to play throughout the summer. Our hope is to have a new Director of Music in place by September. Hope Knight will lead adult choir rehearsals and Katy Hutchings assisted by Shelby Tipling will lead Cherub and Choristers rehearsals.

DID YOU KNOW

Did you know, for the young, and young at heart, we have a brand new, very modern playground in the church yard? This state of the art Kompan playground equipment is designed for creative, imaginative play and is made of the high quality, low maintenance, black locust wood, which will only improve with age. The playground blends in with the New Parish Hall, as well as the greater church yard, and was specially designed for our recreational space. The play area has seen a lot of action already with the Church school children on Sunday mornings as well as after Wednesday night suppers, and is open at all times for neighboring communities to use during the week. Tory Dunkle looks forward to holding classes in this area in warmer weather. For the young at heart, please visit the playground, admire the quality of the structures, sit in the hammock, elicit your own imagination, find your inner child, or bring your grandchildren!!

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



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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.

Mask wearing is now 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**

Password: **Redeemer1881**

Best sources for information on all our ministries are on our:

website (www.TheRedeemer.org),
Facebook page ([RedeemerBrynMawr](https://www.facebook.com/RedeemerBrynMawr)),
Twitter feed ([@TheRedeemerPA](https://twitter.com/TheRedeemerPA)) and
Instagram ([theredeemerpa](https://www.instagram.com/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

Monday March 20*St. Joseph*

All Week	IHN Guests With Us	Parish House
7:30pm	Cantores	Choir Rm
8:00pm	NA	Masterman Hall

Tuesday March 21*Thomas Ken, Bishop, 1711*

10:00am	Antique Study Group	Rm 125, Kitchen & Church/Sanctuary
3:00pm	Beaumont Eucharist	Beaumont at Bryn Mawr
3:30pm	Grants Committee	Rm 125
9:00pm	Compline	via Zoom

Wednesday March 22*James DeKoven, Priest, 1879*

7:30am	Morning Prayer	Chapel
11:00am	Church Foundation (Lori Daniels) w/ Finance Committee	Rm 205
1:00pm	Staff Meeting	Rm 204
2:00pm	Liturgy Meeting	Rm 204
5:00pm	Chorister Rehearsal	Choir Rm
5:00pm	Cherub Choir Rehearsal	Church
6:00pm	Mid-Week Parish Supper	Burns Hall
6:45pm	Schola & Redeemer Choir Rehearsal	Church

Thursday March 23*Geogory the Illuminator, Bishop & Missionary, c. 332*

7:30am	Men's Bible Study	Rm 125
12:00pm	Women Exploring Scripture	Raymond Library & Zoom Meeting
1:00pm	Formation Meeting	Rm 204
7:00pm	Alcoholics Anonymous	Masterman Hall
9:00pm	Compline	via Zoom

Friday March 24*Oscar Romero, Archbishop & Martry, 1980*

9:00am	Flower Guild (Friday or Saturday)	Church
2:00pm	St. Gabe's Prep	Kitchen
5:30pm	Prysm Prep	Rm 208, Rm 217
5:30pm	Prysm	Masterman, Hospitality Suite
5:30pm	Prysm YA	Rm 221, Rm 215

Saturday March 25*The Annunciation of Our Lord Jesus Christ to the Blessed Virgin Mary*

9:00am	Flower Guild (Friday or Saturday)	Church
9:00am	St Gabriel's Mission	Kitchen
10:30am	Organ practice	Church

Sunday March 26*The Fifth Sunday in Lent*

8:00am	Spoken Holy Eucharist Rite I	Church
9:15am	Nursery	Rm 208
9:30am	Choral Matins	Church + Livestream
10:30am	Upper School (Grades 4-7)	Rm 217
10:30am	Lower Elementary	Rm 215
10:30am	Preschool	Rm 221
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*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:

Tim & Deb	Meg Curry	Fran Northrup
Sara Farwell	Louise Marx	Joan
Mimi Johnson	Irene	Monica Hackett
Virginia Simpson	Dana	Jeffrey
Lou Russo	Barbara	John
Pierce Archer	Gene	Rebecca Clothier Case
Janet Harvey	Chris McCleary	

- For the victims of the earthquakes in Turkey and Syria.
- 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.
- For our Montgomery County neighbors who are homeless and have lost their safety nets, especially our Interfaith Hospitality Network Guests.
- For those who have died, especially The Most Rev. Frank T. Griswold 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

Lesson of the Day

Lower School: The City of Jerusalem

Upper School: The Eucharist

Preschool - Rm 221 (age 3 to Kindergarten)

Today children will work with a model of the City of Jerusalem. They will hear the story of Jesus' passion, crucifixion and resurrection, and note the various places where these events took place. Using the model provides a different perspective on this story and also reinforces the fact that Jesus actually lived, died and rose in a certain time and place.

Lower Elementary - Rm 215 (grades 1 to 3)

Using a model of the City of Jerusalem with moveable walls, gates, stairs, pools and buildings, we'll locate and talk about 9 different places in this ancient city where the last events of Jesus' life took place. By introducing this material at the beginning of Lent, we can use it as a point of orientation for subsequent lessons relating to the Holy Week narrative. It also serves to reinforce the humanity of Jesus, placing him in a geographical and historical context.

Upper School - Rm 217 (grades 4 thru 7)

Today the children will begin a multi-week walk towards Holy Week and Easter morning. We start this journey today by exploring the role the Eucharist plays within the life of the Church. Rev. Winnie Smith will be our special guest and will highlight the role the Eucharist plays specifically within Maundy Thursday.

Redeemer Youth Group - Youth Cottage

RYG will be meeting this Sunday from 4-6 pm in the cottage and after a discussion of the film JoJo Rabbit will move over to the Parish House where we will cook for, and eat with, our IHN guests. Please join us!

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