

News from The Redeemer

Episcopal Church of

MARCH 27, 2022

Adult Forum

Sundays thru April 3, 10:45-11:30am, Masterman Hall

During the Sunday Adult Forums in Lent, The Redeemer will host panel discussions with three faith leaders from each of the Abrahamic faiths to begin the work of Scriptural Reasoning.

Scriptural Reasoning - *Encountering God*

This week our panelists Asheq Fazlullah, Richard Hirsh, and Michael Palmisano will address the issue of was to encounter God from each of their respective faith traditions. By drawing on the resources from their own Scriptures our panelists will continue their conversations and the work of Scriptural Reasoning.



Abby Stamelman Hocky



Asheq Fazlullah



Rabbi Richard Hirsh



The Rev. Michael A. Palmisano

Join us as we begin the project of *Scriptural Reasoning* with our panelists. Our project will address the following questions:

March 6 What does it mean to be a created being?

March 13 Executive Director, *Interfaith Philadelphia*,
Abby Stamelman Hocky

March 20 What is the role of fasting in the life of faith?

March 27 Where do we encounter God?

April 3 TBD

Lent Adult Forum parishioner reaction

I have been so moved to be able to gather with other parishioners, to just be together again in an inquiring community. It is a such a nourishing experience, to share our questions, ponderings and our yearning for God; it feeds in a different way than worship and enriches my whole Sunday experience. This spring our conversations with leaders of Islam and Judaism along with our own clergy, has added a deepening layer. It is such an antidote to the isolation of the pandemic era. We can hold up each other's rituals, sacraments and scriptures, honor their distinctiveness and appreciate how our own faith may be enriched by understanding our fellow travelers in the other Abrahamic traditions.

Easter Flower Memorials

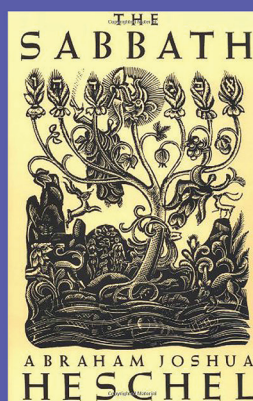
Please send the names of the people you wish remembered in the Easter Memorials. There is a suggested \$25 per name. Please mark these as Easter Memorials and send them to the Parish Office, att. Fran Merritt, by April 13. Be sure to write the name(s) clearly so that we don't make a mistake. You can do it online as well at: www.TheRedeemer.org/donate_flowers.

First Sunday Evensong

Next Sunday, April 3 at 4pm is our monthly Choral Evensong. Sung by the Chancel Choir, the service will include Responses by William Byrd, *Evening Service in C* of Stanford and the *Bleib bei uns* of Rheinberger

Sunday, March 27

8:00am	Spoken Holy Eucharist Rite I	Church
8:30am	Choir Warm-Ups & Rehearsal	Choir Rm
9:15am	Nursery	Rm 208
9:30am	Choral Matins	Church + Livestream
10:40am	Coffee Hour	Burns Hall
10:45am	4th-7th Grade	Rm 217
10:45am	Confirmation Class	Hospitality Suite
10:45am	Adult Forum	Masterman Hall + Livestream
10:45am	Lower Elementary	Rm 215
10:45am	Preschool	Rm 221



Lenten Book Study

Join us for this year's Lenten Book Study as we engage with the Rabbi Heschel's mystic account of time in *The Sabbath*.

Discussions in the Parish House
Tuesdays, March 22 & April 5

7:00-8:30pm

Contact Michael Palmisano for more info.

Visit www.TheRedeemer.org/adult_formation for an advance copy of study questions. According to Rabbi Heschel, it is time which first and foremost points us to the eternal. In the beginning of the Bible, he says, the first thing that God declares "holy" is not a mountain, or place, or person, rather a day. The God of all Creation declares the seventh day "holy" and indicates that the eternal is not primarily revealed to us in space, but time. This Jewish understanding of the sanctity of time is supremely helpful for us as Christians, individuals for whom the Incarnation, Resurrection of the body, and sacraments—all things of space—are uniquely defined as revelations of God's self. How might Heschel's understanding of time influence our own Christian beliefs? How might it open us up to the "Holy" in each passing moment? Join us for this year's Lenten Book Study as we engage with Rabbi Heschel's mystic account of time in *The Sabbath*. *Books are now available for pickup in the Parish House office. If you have any questions, please contact Michael Palmisano.*

New Executive Committee Appointed

At the February 26 Vestry retreat, the four new officers of the vestry were appointed. The vestry elected Chris Zafirou for a second year as the Accounting Warden. Peter Vanderveen asked Tracy Steele to continue as Rector's Warden. Elisabeth Cooke and Chris Chojnacki were also appointed as officers. The Executive Committee meets monthly with the Rector to review programs and operations and to set the Vestry agenda.

Crisis in Ukraine: How Can I Help?

The Russian invasion of Ukraine on February 24, 2022, has produced the largest refugee crisis in Europe this century. In less than three weeks, 3 million residents – mostly women and children – fled their homes. Ukrainians face urgent needs for medical care and basic needs like food, water, and fuel.



Crisis in Ukraine

How Can I Help?



University of Pennsylvania
School of Policy & Practice



Episcopal Relief and
Development



ACT Alliance

Holy Week and Easter at The Redeemer

Monday & Tuesday - 7:15am Holy Eucharist

Wednesday - Noon Holy Eucharist

Maundy Thursday - 7:00pm Holy Eucharist

Good Friday - 2:00pm Good Friday Liturgy

Easter Sunday

Festival Holy Eucharist

8:00am spoken 9:30am & 11:15am with music & choirs

Egg Hunt follows the 9:30 service

OUTREACH MATTERS: IHN

Celebrate 30 Years with IHN-Main Line, Tuesday, April 26, 6-8 pm, at Our Mother of Good Counsel Parish, 31 Pennswood Rd., Bryn Mawr. Enjoy a lite meal and music; at the same time impact a family in transition with your support. To attend, donate or learn more, visit: <https://ihncares.org/>. Sign up now!

Parish House Wins Award

The Preservation Alliance for Greater Philadelphia, as part of its 2022 Preservation Achievement Awards, has named our new Parish House a Grand Jury Award Winner. Visit link below to see the listing of winners.
<https://www.preservationalliance.com/2022-preservation-achievement-awards/>

Say What?

Most of us are aware that some areas of the new Parish House have acoustical challenges. Last week, a team tested these areas and will submit proposals to address them. Contingency funds from the campaign are available and we will communicate as the improvements are made.

DID YOU KNOW



Did you know there are 16 bells on the 3rd level of the Church's Bell Tower? These 16 tonal bells hang from the ceiling and are electronically programmed to chime every 15 minutes. The Bells were all given by a generous donor, and are a variety of sizes to produce different tonal pitches. In 2012, during the renovation of the organ, the bells were connected to the restored organ and now they are able to ring for a variety of needs; tolling at memorial services, peeling at weddings and Sunday services, playing hymns for festal Eucharists and our bells solemnly toll for national

This great photo was captured as the bells were aligned on the sidewalk in anticipation of the hoist into the tower.

remembrances as well. The bell's tone is pure, resonant and acts as a voice for worship, and a reminder of the church's presence in midst the community. If you would like to tour the Bell Tower, and experience the expansive views from the roof of the tower, please reach out to Jay Einspanier (ext 21 or jay@theredeemer.org) to schedule a tour, and best to schedule before the spring foliage and pestilent wasps!

. . . 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.

Worshipping in the time of COVID-19.

For in church worship, 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**

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

Monday, March 28*James Solomn Russell, Priest, 1935*

8:00pm NA Masterman Hall

Tuesday, March 29*John Keble, Priest & Poet, 1866*

9:00pm Compline via Zoom

Wednesday, March 30

9:30am J&S Fire Protection..... Kitchen
 12:00pm Holy Eucharist Church
 1:00pm Staff Meeting.....Staff Conf Rm 204
 2:00pm ReservedRaymond Library
 2:00pm Liturgy MeetingStaff Conf Rm 204
 5:00pm Cherub Choir..... Rm 221
 5:00pm Choristers.....Choir Rm
 6:30pm Redeemer Choir & Schola Rehearsal Church

Thursday, March 31*John Donne, Priest & Poet, 1631*

12:00pm Formation MeetingStaff Conf Rm 204
 12:00pm Women Exploring Scripture Zoom Meeting
 4:00pm North American Festival of Wales Visit Church & Parish House
 8:00pm Alcoholics Anonymous Masterman Hall
 9:00pm Compline via Zoom

Friday, April 1*Frederick Denison Maurice, Priest, 1872*

9:00am Flower Guild..... Church

Saturday, April 2*James Lloyd Breck, Priest, 1876*

11:00am William Kraft Memorial Service Church
 2:00pm Lee Interment.....Laurel Hill

Sunday, April 3*The Fifth Sunday in Lent*

8:00am Spoken Holy Eucharist Rite I..... Church
 8:30am Choir Warm-Ups & RehearsalChoir 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 Adult ForumMasterman Hall + Livestream
 10:45am Confirmation Class.....Hospitality Suite
 10:45am Preschool..... Rm 221
 10:45am Music Committee.....Staff Conf Rm 204
 10:45am Lower Elementary Rm 215
 3:15pm Choir call for warm-upChoir Rm
 4:00pm RYG Youth Cottage
 4:00pm Choral Evensong 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:

Dana	Rich Diegle	Jeffrey
Barbara	Glenn Beamer	John
Karen Nagel	Fran Northrup	Stephanie Hancock
Gene	Joan	Rebecca Clothier Case
Chris McCleary	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..
- 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

The Ark and the Tabernacle – Part II

Preschool - Rm 221 (age 3 to Kindergarten)

Today we will hear the story of the Ark and the Tabernacle. We will think together about what it means when a space is considered “holy” or special. We will brainstorm the ways we know the difference between ordinary and “sacred” spaces. We will think about the way the Tabernacle was special to God’s people.

Lower Elementary - Rm 215 (grades 1 to 3)

This morning we open the Bible and begin to learn the story of God and God’s people by tracing the story of God’s presence in the Tabernacle (Ark of the Covenant and the Tent of Meeting). The children will explore the ways in which God’s people prepared the Tabernacle and themselves to worship God.

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

As we continue our exploration of the book of Ruth, today’s lesson will focus on the kindness and generosity of Boaz. We will learn about how Israelite society was structured to aid the poor and the ways in which Boaz exceeded cultural expectations.

Confirmation-Hospitality Suite

As a response to their “vocation” and call to service, our confirmands will be hosting a picnic for all families involved with the Interfaith Hospitality Network (IHN) on 5/14 at their Norristown hub. Confirmands will continue meeting as a group over the next several weeks to plan for this event. *Reminder: We are meeting in the Hospitality Suite*

Redeemer Youth Group-Youth Cottage

RYG will not be meeting this Sunday, but will continue our conversation on Christian Identity on April 3rd.

WAYS TO GIVE



Via Text



Via Venmo



Via PayPal



All Options