

# News from The Redeemer

Episcopal Church of

MARCH 31, 2024

## NEW & NOTEWORTHY

### Egg Hunt

Easter Day following the 9:30am service



Gather on the  
Pennswood lawn  
side of the church

Two groups:  
Ages 5 and below  
Ages 6 thru 5th grade



## Good Friday Offering

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## Sunday, March 31

*The Sunday of the Resurrection: EASTER SUNDAY*

8:00am	Spoken Holy Eucharist Rite I.....	Church
9:15am	Nursery (only during the 9:30 service).....	Rm 208
9:30am	Holy Eucharist Rite II.....	Church + Livestream
11:15am	Holy Eucharist Rite II.....	Church



# Evensong

April 7 at 5:00pm  
Sung by Chancel Choir

**Preces & Responses** - Richard Ayleward

**Magnificat & Nunc Dimittis in A** - Herbert Sumsion

The day draws on with golden light - Edward Bairstow

*Join us and invite a friend for  
this beautiful afternoon service*



The Redeemer  
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## Farewell for Winnie Smith

Please join us on next Sunday, April 7, following the 9:30am service as we bid farewell and thanks to Winnie Smith as she departs for her to call be Associate Rector at Christ Church Washington Parish.

## Spring Voice of The Redeemer

Watch your emails in the coming week for the distribution of the spring edition of Voice of The Redeemer. It focuses on the many ways that The Redeemer provides opportunities to immerse all ages in worship to foster a deeper faith and spiritual growth.

## April 14 Music Series Concert

**Sunday, April 14 at 5pm**

Curtis student and Michael Stairs Organ Scholar and Assistant Organist **Alexander Leonardi** plays works for organ and piano, showcasing pieces by lesser known and underplayed composers. The program includes:  
*Sonatina, Opus 144*-York Bowen, "The Soul of the Lake" from *Seven Pastels from the Lake of Constance*, *Opus 96*-Sigfrid Karg-Elert, *Roulette, Opus 9 no. 3*-Seth Bingham, *Trois Morceaux*-Lili Boulanger, *Deux Poèmes, Opus 32*-Alexander Scriabin, "The Mirrored Moon" from *Seven Pastels from the Lake of Constance*, *Opus 96*-Sigfrid Karg-Elert, *Pastorale*-Jean Roger-Ducasse. Suggested Donation \$20.

## 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](http://www.TheRedeemer.org/choir_audios).

## COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

## All-Star Volunteer Celebration

In honor of National Volunteer Month, Family Promise of the Main Line (FPML) would like to celebrate all past and present volunteers (coordinators, overnight, meal providers, evening, laundry, grocery shopper, set up, take down) and their guests on Sunday, April 14 from 5:30 to 7:30 pm at St. Thomas of Villanova Parish (Harten Hall), 1229 E. Lancaster, Bryn Mawr. A light meal with ballpark-inspired food and refreshments will be served. RSVP by April 8 by typing the following URL in your browser: <https://bit.ly/fpmlvolunteers2024>. For questions email Elizabeth Bertolet: [ebertolet@fpmainline.org](mailto:ebertolet@fpmainline.org).

## 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).

# Eastertide Adult Forums

*Intersections: music, faith, and life*

April 14



**Paul Spencer Adkins** will present on the life and legacy of **Roland Hayes**, one of the first African American classical singers with an international career. Paul will share with us clips from a film on Hayes

(which Paul co-produced!), will sing, and will share information about this pioneering singer.



April 21



**Hazzan David Tilman**, Choir Director and Pastoral Care leader at Keneseth Israel Reform Congregation in Philadelphia, will share his experience as a cantor and worship leader in Jewish liturgy. Hazzan (similar title to Cantor) Tilman's career has included synagogue music leadership, choir directing, teaching at the Jewish Theological Seminary, and traveling around the world to conduct, lecture, and sing.

May 5



**Gloria dePasquale** will be joined by several of her youth orchestra students for a brief performance and a discussion of the importance of music in her and her student's lives. Additionally, this panel will speak about the role of the Redeemer campus and Parish House for the Philadelphia Youth Orchestra's string group, Prysm. That group rehearses here on Friday evenings, has held concerts in the church, and last summer, held a day camp in the Parish House.

Sundays at 10:45am - Pembroke Room

**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 [redemerchristmasvillage@gmail.com](mailto:redemerchristmasvillage@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 [redemerchristmasvillage@gmail.com](mailto:redemerchristmasvillage@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



*Kindness is  
in your blood*

### **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.**



American  
Red Cross

### 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.

## CONTACT US

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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),  
Instagram (theredeemerpa).

**Submission guidelines and a submission form** for The News can be found at [www.TheRedeemer.org/the\\_news](http://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, April 1

*Monday in Easter Week*

PARISH OFFICES CLOSED

8:00pm NA..... Masterman Hall

### Tuesday, April 2

*Tuesday in Easter Week*

9:00am Painting Circle.....Hospitality Suite

11:00am Eucharist at Waverly..... Waverly

9:00pm Compline ..... via Zoom

### Wednesday, April 3

*Wednesday in Easter Week*

2:00pm Staff Meeting.....Staff Conf Rm 204

3:00pm Liturgy Meeting .....Staff Conf Rm 204

### Thursday, April 4

*Thursday in Easter Week*

7:30am Men's Bible Study.....Pembroke Rm

12:00pm Women Exploring Scripture .....via Zoom & Raymond Library

1:00pm Formation Meeting ..... Rm 204

7:00pm Alcoholics Anonymous ..... Masterman Hall

9:00pm Compline ..... via Zoom

### Friday, April 5

*Friday in Easter Week*

9:00am Flower Guild (Friday or Saturday)..... Church

5:30pm Prysm Rehearsal..... Parish House

### Saturday, April 6

*Saturday in Easter Week*

9:00am Flower Guild (Friday or Saturday)..... Church

### Sunday, April 7

*The Second Sunday of Easter*

8:00am Spoken Holy Eucharist Rite I..... Church

9:15am Nursery ..... Rm 208

9:30am Holy Eucharist Rite II ..... Church + Livestream

10:30am Upper Elementary ..... Rm 217

10:30am Preschool and Lower Elementary .....Rm 221 & 215

10:30am Middle School/Confirmation Class .....Hospitality Suite

10:40am Coffee Hour..... Burns Hall

4:00pm RYG .....Youth Cottage

5:00pm Choral Evensong ..... Church

*Up-to-date calendar always available on [www.TheRedeemer.org/calendar](http://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



All Options

## IN OUR PRAYERS

### • For those who are sick or in need:

Wilma	Karen Nagel	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](http://www.TheRedeemer.org/pastoral_care) or contact Jo Ann Jones; jjones@theredeemer.org

## CHURCH SCHOOL AND YOUTH MINISTRIES

### Children's Ministries:

Children's Ministries at The Redeemer offer formation classes from children from age 3 through 8th grade. At the lower level, we share stories from the Bible and incorporate play and crafts into each lesson. Older elementary students continue talking through and understanding Scripture and start to explore the significance of worship. Middle School continues this path, with students taking what they hear and learn in church and beginning to apply it to the world. Students in 8th grade and older are invited to consider being confirmed, or welcomed into the Church as adult members.

If you are interested in learning more about our programs or signing your child up for Church School, please contact the office. Additionally, we are always looking for parent volunteers to get involved, so please reach out if you might be able to share your time in the classroom!

### Nursery:

Childcare for infants to age 3 is always offered during the 9:30am service. Our caregiver has years of experience and leaving children in her care allows parents to fully experience worship. The nursery is on the second floor of the Parish House, and our caregiver is available from 9am - 11:30am.

### RYG:

The Redeemer Youth Group, RYG, continues to serve the youth of Redeemer as well as the youth of our greater community. The group confronts the intersection of a life of faith and our larger culture and society. Through meaningful dialogue and fellowship, paired with local and national service work; RYG helps young adults discern their own vocation as well as the kind of communities they want to be a part of and build.

**The RYG leadership spun off a Parents Group** to help address our adolescent mental health crisis. The group meets monthly and is supported by local therapists, psychologists, counselors and psychiatrists as parents share their own experience, ask questions, and try to work together to better serve our youth and each other-collectively.

## 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.

**5. A strong commitment of service to, and the support of, the surrounding community, through outreach contributions of money and service.**

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