



# News from The Redeemer

Episcopal Church of

MARCH 5, 2023

## Adult Forum



**Sunday, March 5, 10:45am - Burns Hall**  
**Father Stephen N. DeWitt**  
Franciscan Friar, Catholic Priest, and Licensed Social Worker, Father DeWitt lives and works at St. Francis Inn in Kensington. Fr. Stephen will speak to us on the topic of fasting from a Catholic perspective as well as how it pertains to the largely unhoused population he works with at St. Francis Inn.

## Parents Group

**Sunday, March 5pm, Burns Hall**  
Parents, please join us for a discussion on the intersection of faith and mental health in our children and youth. Rebecca, Tory, and Winnie have observed an increase in anxiety and depression among our youngest members and know how taxing this is on parents and families. With the help of a licensed adolescent therapist, we will discuss what we're all seeing, how parents are feeling, and what role we all might be able to play in helping students cope. Please plan to attend this important and timely meeting.

## Diorio Goodbye

**Sunday, March 12**  
We will fête Michael Diorio following the 9:30am service as he departs for new ventures. Later that day at 5:00pm the Music Series continues with an all-Mozart concert featuring the choirs performing the Coronation Mass and the Piano Concerto in A played by Alexander Leonardi and all conducted by Michael Diorio. A reception follows the concert.

## Time Change Next Week

**Sunday, March 12**  
Remember to move your clocks forward one hour to Daylight Saving Time next Saturday before going to bed. You won't want to miss any of the big events at church the following day.

Sunday March 5		The Second Sunday in Lent
8:00am	Spoken Holy Eucharist Rite I.....	Church
9:15am	Nursery.....	Rm 208
9:30am	Holy Eucharist Rite II.....	Church + Livestream
10:30am	Upper School (Grades 4-7).....	Rm 217
10:30am	Lower Elementary .....	Rm 215
10:30am	Preschool.....	Rm 221
10:40am	Coffee Hour.....	Gathering Space & Burns Hall
10:45am	Confirmation Class.....	Hospitality Suite
10:45am	Adult Forum .....	Burns Hall + Livestream
4:00pm	RYG .....	Youth Cottage
4:00pm	Choral Evensong .....	Church
5:00pm	Parents Group.....	Burns Hall

## MUSIC AT THE REDEEMER

ENGAGING COMMUNITY THROUGH MUSIC, SONG AND EDUCATION.  
Church of the Redeemer - 230 Pennswood Road, Bryn Mawr, PA



**A Festive Mozart Concert followed by  
a fully catered reception**

**Sunday, March 12 at 5:00pm**

*\$30 per ticket \$10 for children 12-16, free admission for children under 12.*

Conducted by Michael Diorio, Alexander Leonardi plays the 23rd piano  
concerto in A major, followed by the beloved "Coronation" Mass in C,  
featuring the choirs and staff singer soloists of The Redeemer, and orchestra  
members from the Academy of Vocal Arts Opera Orchestra.

For tickets and more information visit [www.TheRedeemer.org/musicseries](http://www.TheRedeemer.org/musicseries)  
or call The Redeemer Music Office at 610.525.2486, x. 22



## OUTREACH MATTERS

### IHN Guests Return March 19-26

From March 19-26 we will be hosting three families from the Interfaith Hospitality Network. These are Montgomery County residents – our neighbors – who have lost their safety nets and are temporarily experiencing homelessness. They demonstrate resilience and perseverance as they work to find jobs and housing and to get back on their feet with the help of Family Promise of the Main Line (the IHN umbrella organization) and volunteers like us. Please use the Signup Genius ([www.TheRedeemer.org/RSVP](http://www.TheRedeemer.org/RSVP)) to indicate whether you could bring a meal, spend time with our guests, stay overnight, help set up or take down beds, do laundry or provide basic groceries. There are many available slots; please sign up today!

### 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>

### Have A Heart - African Children's Mission Annual Appeal

Every year we appeal to your **HEART** around Valentine's Day to support our friends in Malawi. This year we will focus on the **accessibility and staffing of health clinics** whose infrastructure system and resources are not sufficient enough.

## OPPORTUNITIES

### 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](mailto:tdunkle@theredeemer.org) for a copy of the job description.

### March Voice of The Redeemer

The March issue was emailed to you on Thursday. Read it online at [www.TheRedeemer.org/Voice](http://www.TheRedeemer.org/Voice).

## DID YOU KNOW

Did you know, when Interfaith Hospitality Network comes to Redeemer in a few weeks it will really be the first time since pre-covid, and since the New Parish House was built, to host these families? There was a brief stay with only one family for two nights in October. To help manage the re-establishment of hosting the families, after nearly three years, and a transition of volunteer leadership within Redeemer, a "Kitchen Cabinet" was created to lead the program. Now we have several Redeemer members, working in conjunction, and with support from staff, to figure out how to use the new space and to best accommodate the families. There have been a lot of upgrades with a wonderful kitchen, new bathrooms with showers and a downstairs community space. It is because of the dedication of many in our community to host these homeless families in transition, and it will also be a learning, and growing, process for Redeemer members to make their stay as welcoming and comfortable as possible.

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

## OPPORTUNITIES

### Wednesday Parish Dinners - JOIN US

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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](http://www.TheRedeemer.org/RSVP)

### Weekly Wednesday Morning Prayer

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#### **Beginning March 1 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.

### New Coffee Hour Offerings

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#### **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.

### Join the Painting Circle

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#### **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 [artismimi@hotmail.com](mailto:artismimi@hotmail.com) or Bunny Coates [ebhcoates@comcast.net](mailto:ebhcoates@comcast.net)

### Outdoor Benches Around the Parish House

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We're pleased to report that all eight benches are spoken for. We hope to have them in place by early spring for all to enjoy. Thank you!

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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. If you wish to partake of the wine at Communion, do so by intinction, dipping the host in the wine.

**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](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

## Monday March 6

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7:30pm	Cantores.....	Choir Rm
8:00pm	NA.....	Masterman Hall

## Tuesday March 7

*Perpetua & Felicity, Martyrs, 202*

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9:00am	Painting Circle.....	Hospitality Suite
9:00pm	Compline .....	via Zoom

## Wednesday March 8

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7:30am	Morning Prayer .....	Chapel
9:00am	St. Christopher's Church retreat .....	Masterman
12:30pm	Staff Meeting.....	Burns Hall
2:00pm	Liturgy Meeting .....	Rm 204
2:00pm	Reserved .....	Raymond Library
5:00pm	Chorister Rehearsal.....	Choir Rm
5:00pm	Cherub Choir Rehearsal .....	Rm 221
6:00pm	Mid-Week Parish Supper.....	Burns Hall
6:45pm	Schola & Redeemer Choir Rehearsal .....	Church

## Thursday March 9

*Gregory of Nyssa, Bishop & Theologian, c. 394*

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7:30am	Men's Bible Study.....	Rm 125
10:15am	Pastoral Care Meeting .....	Rm 125
12:00pm	Women Exploring Scripture .....	Raymond Library & Zoom Meeting
1:00pm	Formation Meeting .....	Rm 204
4:00pm	Outreach Community Services.....	online
6:00pm	Kevin Steele Gathering.....	Burns Hall
7:00pm	Alcoholics Anonymous .....	Masterman Hall
9:00pm	Compline .....	via Zoom

## Friday March 10

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9:00am	Flower Guild (Friday or Saturday).....	Church
1:00pm	Piano tuning .....	Church
5:30pm	Prysm Prep.....	Rm 208, Rm 217
5:30pm	Prysm.....	Masterman, Hospitality Suite
5:30pm	Prysm YA .....	Rm 221, Rm 215

## Saturday March 11

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9:00am	Flower Guild (Friday or Saturday).....	Church
10:00am	Mozart Rehearsal .....	Church
10:30am	Organ practice.....	Church
2:00pm	Jean Murdock Memorial.....	Church

## Sunday March 12

*The Third Sunday in Lent*

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8:00am	Spoken Holy Eucharist Rite I.....	Church
9:15am	Nursery .....	Rm 208
9:30am	Holy Eucharist Rite II.....	Church & via Livestream
10:40am	Farwell Reception for Michael Diorio .....	Burns Hall
10:45am	Confirmation Class.....	Hospitality Suite
11:30am	Vestry Meeting .....	Rm 125
4:00pm	RYG .....	Youth Cottage
5:00pm	Mozart Concert.....	Church
6:00pm	Mozart Concert Reception .....	Burns Hall
	UConn Alternative Spring Break.....	Hospitality Suite



## 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 those who have died, especially Jean Murdock 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](mailto:pvanderveen@theredeemer.org) or ext. 17, Jo Ann Jones–[jjones@theredeemer.org](mailto: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](mailto:jjones@theredeemer.org)

## CHURCH SCHOOL AND YOUTH MINISTRIES

### Lesson of the Day

Lower School: Parable of the Grain of Wheat

Upper School: The Season of Lent

#### **Preschool - Rm 221 (age 3 to Kindergarten)**

Last week we began our exploration of the reason and rhythm of Lent. Today we will continue that discussion by exploring the parable of the Grain of Wheat (John 12:24). We will talk about how seeds transform to become great stalks of wheat. We will reflect on this parable and the connection between it and Jesus' death and resurrection.

#### **Lower Elementary - Rm 215 (grades 1 to 3)**

This week the children will explore the Parable of the Grain of Wheat (John 12:24). Looking at hard seeds and stalks of wheat that have grown from the seeds, the children will be invited to wonder about the story Jesus told: A grain of wheat is planted, and it dies. Unless it falls into the ground and dies, it remains a single seed. But if it dies, it becomes a whole new creation and bears much fruit. Reflecting on this parable will lead to a conversation about Jesus and his need to die in order to bear fruit, the great fruit of resurrection.

#### **Upper School - Rm 217 (grades 4 thru 7)**

Today we will spend the morning exploring the significance of Lent within the Church calendar and our own lives. Specifically we will examine how we can use the 6 weeks of Lent to prepare us to embrace the Mystery of Easter.

#### **Confirmation - Hospitality Suite**

The class will not meet this week.

#### **Redeemer Youth Group - Youth Cottage**

RYG will be gathering in Masterman hall this Sunday from 4-6 pm to view the movie JoJo Rabbit. From 5-6 pm we will be offering a parents group upstairs for parents to discuss the intersection of adolescent mental health and faith in Burns Hall. Please join us!

## WAYS TO GIVE



Via Text



Via Venmo



Via PayPal



All Options