

News from The Redeemer

Episcopal Church of

MAY 14, 2023

Adult Forum

Sundays at 10:45am in Burns Hall

May 14 - Ethics After Easter - What Do We Owe One Another?

Much of our cultural discourse is now centered on being aware of and making amends for the injustices of the past. This is proving to be both an encouraging and an unsettling exercise. In one of his more direct and practical statements, Paul offered these instructions: "If possible, so far as it depends upon you, live peaceably with all. Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave it to the wrath of God; for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord." The death of Jesus was God's act of taking upon himself the whole of his judgment against us. Jesus' resurrection was God's extending to us a new companionship, unhindered by the past. If this is the friendship we now have with God, what implications does this have for the friendships we have between one another? Or how has Easter reset everything about our interactions. Led by Peter Vanderveen.

Christmas Village Gearing-Up

The Christmas Village Committee will be meeting to kick-off 2023 planning on May 15 at 7 pm in the Parish House Room 125. Please plan to join us to learn what's changing and what's staying the same and how you can get involved. ALL are welcome - if you've been interested in joining this fun and festive group, this is a great opportunity to jump in! If you have any questions - please reach out to Kate Chojnacki (kate.chojnacki@gmail.com) or Elisabeth Cooke (elisabeth.c.cooke@me.com).

Garden Party

PARISH PICNIC

We're puttin' the two together

Sunday, May 21 at 4:00pm

Parish House Courtyard

*tents and music along with
hot dogs, hoagies and drinks provided*

Bring food to share. If your name begins with

A - I Salads

J - R Desserts

S - Z Entrées

Sunday May 14

The Sixth Sunday of Easter

8:00am	Spoken Holy Eucharist Rite I.....	Church
9:15am	Nursery.....	Rm 208
9:30am	Holy Eucharist Rite II.....	Church & via Livestream
10:30am	Upper School (Grades 4-7).....	Rm 217
10:30am	Preschool.....	Rm 221
10:30am	Lower Elementary.....	Rm 215
10:40am	Coffee Hour.....	Gathering Space & Burns Hall
10:45am	Confirmation Class.....	Hospitality Suite
10:45am	Adult Forum.....	Burns Hall + Livestream
4:00pm	RYG.....	Masterman Hall

Senior Recognition

Next Sunday, May 21, we will recognize graduating high school seniors during the 9:30am service. We're also inviting ALL Acolytes and Vergers to participate and process at the service. It will be most impressive to see the large number of youth all together who participate in these liturgical services.

End of Church School Season

Next Sunday, May 21, marks the last day of the Church School season. Nursery and Children's Chapel will continue throughout the summer during the 9:30 service.

Livestream is Back

Our livestream system is back up and running and we will once again be streaming the 9:30am service. Remember, the videos remain accessible from our website and YouTube channel so you can watch later as well.

Seeing All Things Through the Generosity of Faith

Wednesdays: 7:00 – 8pm

Masterman Hall: led by Peter Vanderveen

Ask anyone who is not a Christian for a word that describes the Christian faith; “generosity” would probably not be mentioned. Ask anyone who is a member of a church for a word that describes the church’s core message, “generosity” probably wouldn’t be included. Faith is often described as the discipline of pinching our lives down to a level of moral thinness that would allow us to squeeze through “the narrow gate.” This stinginess does not reflect the Gospels nor the expression of faith set out in our worship. Yet we regularly fail to appreciate that faith is our cultivation of seeing God’s generosity in all things. In a series of investigations of what is said and done in our liturgies and what is taught by the church, we will explore how it is that generosity is expressive of the very heart of Christianity.

Voice of **The Redeemer**

May 2023

CONTINGENCY, COMMUNITY AND CONNECTION
Refocusing Mission and Outreach

Read the full issue at www.TheRedeemer.org/Voice

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Sunday, May 21 at 4:00pm
Parish House Courtyard
Join us for a day of fun and music along with
a delicious meal and drink served at
the Parish House. Bring your own lawn chairs.
A - 1 Salads J - 8 Desserts S - Z Entrees

May Voice

A link to our monthly newsletter *Voice of The Redeemer* was emailed to you on Thursday, May 4. Please take a few minutes to read about the happenings around your parish. This issue along with back issues are available online at www.TheRedeemer.org/Voice.

ERRATA:

The June date of the Swing into Summer concert on page 4 was incorrect. The date of the concert is June 11 at 4pm. The online version has been corrected.

DID YOU KNOW

Did you know the Wednesday Night Parish dinners regularly have 40-50 Redeemer members in attendance? Rebecca Winfield, along with Rebecca Northington and Fran Merrit revived the pre-Covid Wednesday choir dinners and opened them to ALL Redeemer community members. It is an informal, intergenerational gathering in the new Parish House from 6-7pm. The dinners provide an opportunity to skip meal prep, gather in fellowship, use the new playground and the younger attendees created posters to visually discourage cell phone use. There will be two more Wednesday night dinners on 5/17 and 5/24 before the summer break, and all are welcome and encouraged to attend. Take advantage of the longer days, the opportunity to be with other Redeemer families and please let the Redeemer office know if you would like to join to ensure adequate provisions for all.

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

New Name for Outreach Community Services

In an effort to highlight the reciprocal nature of our work, the Outreach Community Services Committee has changed its name to “Community Connections.” While we will continue to provide food, meals, shelter, clothing, toiletries, and grants where needed, we will also be emphasizing the importance of creating connections with those who, for all sorts of reasons, would otherwise remain strangers. As Peter Vanderveen pointed out in his May *Voice* article, it’s the work of being present, shifting from “transactional giving to the realization of the mutual benefit gained when we can share God’s grace.” *The rich and the poor have a common bond, the Lord is the maker of them all.* (Prov. 22:2)

Caring Collections for St. Gabe’s

There has been a noticeable increase in the number of unsheltered individuals coming to the Saturday lunch program at St. Gabriel’s Church where, in addition to a meal, they can obtain some legal aid and other assistance. As a way of helping these individuals maintain a sense of health and well-being, St. Gabriel’s parishioners offer customized bags of **travel size** toiletries and grooming items. We can help by donating any of the following: packets of wet wipes, small hand sanitizer, small liquid or cake soap, small shampoo, deodorant, small mouthwash, toothbrush, toothpaste, shaving items, sanitary pads, Band Aids, comb, brush, socks—any size, underwear—any size. A gray hamper in the Parish House hallway is marked for toiletry donations. Please drop off your items through Sundays May 21. They will be taken to St. Gabe’s when Jan Clarke and her team deliver their regular meal on Saturday, May 27.

GETTING TO KNOW YOU

To facilitate all of us getting to know one another, we’d love to get your photos into our database. That database is accessible to all members who have given us their email address through our website **Member Access** button.

If you have already established an account in Member Access, just login. If you need a login account, go to the homepage of www.TheRedeemer.org and click on the Member Access button in the upper right corner and then follow the on-screen directions to create your account.



Once inside Member Access, here are directions for uploading your family and individual photos to Member Access.

- Click on HOME (far left at the top of the page in the MENU options)
- In the dropdown menu, click My Profile
- Click the Edit tab (upper right corner)
 - o **For a family photo** click on Family Info tab (upper right corner)
 - o Click Upload New Photo and find it on your computer
 - o Once it is there and you’ve previewed it, click SAVE.
 - o **For an individual photo** click on Personal Photo tab (upper right corner)
 - o Click Upload New Photo and find it on your computer
 - o Once it is there and you’ve previewed it, click SAVE.



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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),
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 May 15

Pachomius of Tabenissi, Monastic, 348

3:30pm	Voting setup	Burns Hall
7:00pm	Christmas Village Kickoff	Rm 125
7:30pm	Cantores	Choir Rm
8:00pm	NA	Masterman Hall

Tuesday May 16

6:00am	Primary Election	Burns Hall
9:00am	Painting Circle	Hospitality Suite
3:00pm	Beaumont Eucharist	Beaumont at Bryn Mawr
9:00pm	Compline	via Zoom

Wednesday May 17

Thurgood Marshall, Public Servant, 1993

	June Voice Deadline	
1:00pm	Staff Meeting	Staff Conf Rm 204
3:30pm	Liturgy Meeting	Staff Conf 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
7:00pm	Seeing through the Generosity of Faith	Masterman Hall

Thursday May 18

Ascension Day

7:30am	Men's Bible Study	Rm 125
10:00am	Needlepoint Group	Raymond Library
12:00pm	Women Exploring Scripture	Raymond Library + Zoom
1:00pm	Formation Meeting	Rm 204
7:00pm	Alcoholics Anonymous	Masterman Hall
9:00pm	Compline	via Zoom

Friday May 19

Dunstan, Archbishop of Canterbury, 988

9:00am	Flower Guild (Friday or Saturday)	Church
5:00pm	PRYSM	Burns Hall & Raymond Library

Saturday May 20

Alcuin of York, Deacon, 804

9:00am	Baptism rehearsal Emmet Bastian	Church
9:00am	Flower Guild (Friday or Saturday)	Church
10:30am	Organ practice	Church
12:00pm	Patricia Franks Memorial service	Church
3:00pm	Wynnewood Vocal Studio recital	Church

Sunday May 21 *The Seventh Sunday of Easter: The Sunday after Ascension Day*

8:00am	Spoken Holy Eucharist Rite I	Church
9:15am	Nursery	Rm 208
9:30am	Holy Eucharist Rite II with baptism	Church & via Livestream
10:30am	Upper School (Grades 4-7)	Rm 217
10:30am	Preschool	Rm 221
10:30am	RYG @ St. Francis Inn	Youth Cottage
10:30am	Lower Elementary	Rm 215
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	Garden Party & Parish Picnic	Parish House Courtyard

*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:

Rob Morris
Scott Stephan
Tim & Deb
Virginia Simpson
Lou Russo
Pierce Archer

Janet Harvey
Meg Curry
Louise Marx
Gene
Chris McCleary
Fran Northrup

Joan
Monica Hackett
Jeffrey
John
Rebecca Clothier Case

- 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 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 Pentecost

Preschool - Rm 221 (age 3 to Kindergarten)

In preparation for Pentecost on May 28, we will celebrate the Feast of Pentecost. Pentecost is the day on which the Holy Spirit was sent by Jesus to the disciples – and now to each of us – bearing gifts that empower us to know, love and serve God and one another.

Lower Elementary - Rm 215 (grades 1 to 3)

We'll celebrate Pentecost a couple weeks early, telling the story of Pentecost from the Book of Acts and rejoicing that the Holy Spirit has been sent to each one of us, bearing gifts that empower us to know and love God and one another.

Upper School - Rm 217 (grades 4 thru 7)

As the Church School year winds down, we will hear the story of the gift of the Holy Spirit in preparation for Pentecost. Through this story will explore the ways in which the Holy Spirit invites each of us to respond and affirm the Christ's redeeming work and grace in this world.

Confirmation - Hospitality Suite

The class meets weekly after the 9:30am service in the Hospitality Suite and is currently working on a special project.

Redeemer Youth Group - Masterman Hall

RYG will be meeting this Sunday from 3:30-5:30pm in the parish house. We will be viewing the movie, Indian Horse, as part of our preparation for our trip to Navajo Land in June, and making little gifts for our mothers.

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



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