

News from The Redeemer

Episcopal Church of

MAY 3, 2026

NEW & NOTEWORTHY

The Annual
FINAL RSVP IS MONDAY!
Garden Party

by Church of the Redeemer

Saturday, May 9

5:30 to 8:30pm

Stoneleigh

A Natural Garden

Purchase tickets from link at www.TheRedeemer.org/RSVP
or return the invitation registration card.

Garden tours • Food by PTG Catering Musical performances by The Redeemer Choirs

Please join us as we
welcome spring with
delicious food,
drink & song!



Members of RYG Serving at St. Francis Inn - UPDATE

Last week we reported that members of our Redeemer Youth Group were serving meals at St. Francis Inn in Kensington. An update to that story is that due to our teen's exuberance, they have expanded serving to two weeks per month. When signups go out, they fill up immediately. The kids find real rewards in this service. Our sincere thanks to these teens giving of their time. St. Francis Inn provides restaurant-style food service to those in need every single day, because hunger doesn't take holidays. It also offers job application and resume assistance to all those looking for work, in addition to providing needed social work resources to the community. Through **Marie's Closet Ministry** they are able to provide those in need with clothing and other items that can make all the difference in someone's life. St. Francis Inn is located at 2441 Kensington Ave. Philadelphia, PA 19125.

Sunday, May 3

The Fifth Sunday of Easter

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| 8:00am | Spoken Holy Eucharist Rite I..... | Church |
| 9:15am | Nursery..... | Rm 208 |
| 9:30am | Holy Eucharist Rite II..... | Church + Livestream |
| 10:40am | Coffee Hour..... | Burns Hall |
| 10:45am | Church School..... | Second Floor Classrooms |
| 11:00am | Speaker Series - Betsy Block..... | Pembroke Rm |
| 12:00pm | 175th Anniversary Organizational Meeting..... | Pembroke Rm |
| 5:00pm | Choral Evensong..... | Church |
| 6:00pm | RYG..... | Masterman Hall |
| 8:00pm | Compline..... | via Zoom |

SPEAKER SERIES

Sacred Spaces and the Environment

a series of speakers discussing the role Churchyards and other burial spaces play in the environment and community

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BETSY BLOCK

Through her business, Serene and Green, Betsy offers personalized care and garden design for gravesites in the greater Philadelphia area. Clients have found tremendous peace of mind seeing their loved one's final resting place cared for with respect, compassion, and an eye for beauty.



PRESENTED BY: THE ADULT FORMATION COMMITTEE

VISIT OUR WEBSITE THEREDEEMER.ORG/ADULT_FORMATION



Choral Evensong

First Sunday, May 3 at 5:00pm
Sung by the Chancel Choir

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Inviting Men of the Diocese

Saturday, May 30 at 4:00pm

St. David's Church, 763 S. Valley Forge Rd in Wayne, PA

Bishop Gutierrez invites all men of the Diocese of Pennsylvania to a barbecue on the fairgrounds of St. David's Church (near the original church). In addition to grilled meat, salads, sides and refreshments, roundtable discussions on how to start and grow men's fellowship groups will take place. You'll find a link for more information and to RSVP on www.TheRedeemer.org/RSVP.

SAVE THE DATE

Spring Parish Picnic

Sunday, May 31 following the 9:30am service

Mark your calendars to join us for this fun fellowship time in our Parish House courtyard. This will be the final Sunday that the choirs will sing for this season. A list of items for you to bring and share will follow soon.

Scan to register



Blood Drive

Friday, May 8 10am to 3pm
Burns Hall - Parish House

Streamline your visit in advance
RedCross.org/RapidPass

Call 1-800-RED CROSS or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter TheRedeemer



Communities Coming Together

Join Us for Crafting

Wednesdays 10:30am to Noon

Parish House Room 007

It is time to start our Christmas crafting! Fan favorites candy wreathes and fancy headbands will return as well as some new creative items involving pinecones and buttons (and a little glue). Are you crafty or handy with a glue gun or ribbon? It doesn't matter if you are...we'd still love your company in the crafting room! All Redeemer parishioners are welcome to join in the fun! We encourage you to drop by on Wednesday mornings. If you would like more information or would like to craft at an alternative day/time (should we meet some evenings?), please contact Caroline Manogue (610-742-9072 or cbmanogue@gmail.com). Hope to see you soon!!



Wednesday, May 20 6:00pm

The St. James community comes together to enjoy an evening of camaraderie and impactful programming paired with delicious foods and drinks. Our venue, The Simeone Foundation Automotive Museum, features over 75 historically significant racing sports cars – one of the world's greatest collections. Go to <https://stjamesphila.org/benefit/> for more information.

Family Promise Guests Return in May

Mark your calendars now for upcoming opportunities to serve our guests who will be with us again May 24 to 31. Signups will be available soon.

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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 or complete an online form here.



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/)), 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

THIS WEEK AT THE REDEEMER

Monday, May 4

Monnica, Mother of Augustine of Hippo, 387

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| 7:30pm | Cantores Rehearsal..... | Burns Hall |
| 8:00pm | NA..... | Masterman Hall |

Tuesday, May 5

Martyrs of the Reformation Era

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| 11:00am | Eucharist at Waverly | Waverly |
| 1:00pm | Clergy Meeting | Staff Conf Rm 204 |
| 5:00pm | Choristers Rehearsal..... | Choir Rm |
| 9:00pm | Compline | via Zoom |

Wednesday, May 6

George of Lydda, Soldier & Martyr, c. 304

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| 1:00pm | Staff Meeting..... | Staff Conf Rm 204 |
| 2:00pm | Liturgy Meeting | Staff Conf Rm 204 |
| 5:00pm | Cherub Choir | Rm 215 |
| 5:00pm | Choristers Rehearsal | Choir Rm |
| 6:00pm | Wednesday Night Supper (potluck)..... | Burns Hall |
| 6:45pm | Redeemer Choir Rehearsal | Choir Rm |

Thursday, May 7

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| 7:15am | Youth Bible Breakfast | Raymond Library |
| 7:30am | Men's Bible Study..... | Pembroke Rm |
| 10:00am | Formation Meeting | Staff Conf Rm 204 |
| 12:00pm | Women Exploring Scripture | Raymond Library |
| 7:00pm | Alcoholics Anonymous | Masterman Hall |
| 9:00pm | Compline | via Zoom |

Friday, May 8

Julian of Norwich, Mystic & Theologian, c. 1417

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| 9:00am | Flower Guild (Friday or Saturday)..... | Church |
| 4:30pm | Prysm Strings | Parish House |

Saturday, May 9

Gregory of Nazianzus, Bishop & Theologian, 389

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| 9:00am | Flower Guild (Friday or Saturday)..... | Church |
| 5:30pm | Annual Garden Party | The Gardens at Stoneleigh |

Sunday, May 10

The Sixth Sunday of Easter

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| 8:00am | Spoken Holy Eucharist Rite I..... | Church |
| 9:15am | Nursery..... | Rm 208 |
| 9:30am | Holy Eucharist Rite II..... | Church + Livestream |
| 10:40am | Coffee Hour..... | Burns Hall |
| 10:45am | Church School | Second Floor Classrooms |
| 10:45am | Music Committee | Staff Conf Rm |
| 6:00pm | RYG | Masterman Hall |
| 8:00pm | Compline | via Zoom |

Up-to-date calendar always available on 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

Please be aware of email scams. Staff members will NEVER request gift cards.
Check the FROM address. If it is not from a @theredeemer.org address, DELETE IT.

IN OUR PRAYERS

- For those who are sick or in need:

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| Patty Kruszewski | Jane | Megan |
| Dixon Sperry | Kristen | Jill |
| Binney McCague | Jay & Martha | Andreas Pas |
| Frank Helminska | Lisa | William |
| Keanen | Carol | Doris |
| Lyman Perry | Cannie | Tom Gerrity |
| Annie | Malcolm | Chris McCleary |
| Steve LoCastro | Pam Daley | Fran Northrup |
| Jill Whitney | Bob Hobbs | |

- 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.The-Redeemer.org/pastoral_care or contact Jo Ann Jones; jjones@theredeemer.org

CHURCH SCHOOL AND YOUTH MINISTRIES

Nursery Care and Preschool - Rm 208 (ages 3 to PreK)

9:15am-11:00am

Church School 10:45am - Second Floor Classrooms

Church school will convene in the parish house room 215 following the 9:30 liturgy. We will complete our lessons on the Easter season and post-resurrection stories. In May we are looking forward to a church yard scavenger hunt, bread making in three parts. Our final day for the academic year will be Sunday, June 7 when we will have Parent & Teachers Appreciation Sunday. We hope you can join us.

The Redeemer Youth Group

RYG, meets Sunday from 4-6 pm. These last remaining meetings will focus on the “so what” of Sabbath rest. RYG has spent the year considering a different kind of break from the hustle, bustle, and routine of our academic weeks. We have approached this *rest* from many different angles and hope to wrap up our discussion with a sense of the sacred. Which means we will need to truly consider what is sacred: our life, our relationship with God, our relationship with one another, our relationship with ourselves? If we determine that those things are sacred, the next question is—how can we set aside the right kind of time to be sure that those things are kept holy. This is the Sabbath rest. We will continue to meet on Thursday mornings through the end of May, from 7:15-8 am for Bible Breakfast and hope to complete the Gospel according to Matthew. Please join us!

DID YOU KNOW

Did you know the Redeemer Youth Group meets for Bible study each week on Thursday mornings before school? In September 2024, at the request of a couple of students, they began to meet for what they call “Bible breakfast”: bagels and discussion. What began as loose topics proposed randomly by students to be paired with scripture, turned into a more structured evaluation of Genesis and its relationship with the New Testament. As many as 12 kids will show up for the early morning discussion, including new kids to the parish who have come with friends. They spend the hour reading the text and trying to understand what it says about God and humanity. These kids are eager to understand the relevance of this text in relation to their own lives, today in 2026. Paul’s letter to the Romans, and the Gospel according to Matthew have given the kids a much deeper understanding of what it means to be a disciple, and the challenges that come with trying to understand the life, death, and resurrection of Christ.

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