News from Episcopal Church of Redeemer

SEPTEMBER 11, 2022

Some Service Changes

Resuming the Offering of the Chalice at Communion

Beginning today, we will offer the chalice to those who come forward for Communion. Partaking of the wine will be *optional*. Please do so *only by intinction*, dipping the host into the wine. It is important not to dip your fingers into the wine as well. If you would prefer not to receive the wine, please cross your arms across your chest. **The prelude for the 9:30am service** will begin at 9:20am and this week features the *Piece d'Orgue* of J. S. Bach. Immediately following, the Welcome and Announcements will take place before the opening hymn.



Winnie Smith is Ordained a Priest

Yesterday, Winnie was ordained to the priesthood at St. George's Church, Fredericksburg, VA. While thrilled to be here at The Redeemer and in the Diocese of Pennsylvania, the Diocese of Virginia was home for her over the past seven years, so she was ordained there with individuals known to her through the process of discernment and formation.

Exciting New Music Series

This fall we debut Music at The Redeemer series. Beginning on October 7 and running throughout the academic year, our own music program along with musicians from Artcinia will present engaging programs from Classical to Jazz designed to bring new and inquiring people onto our campus to experience all The Redeemer has to offer. At several of the events, an Open House and tours of the new Parish House will take place before the concert/service followed by a meet-n-greets with the artists. You'll find details of all the events along with sponsorship opportunities here: www.TheRedeemer.org/musicseries.

Sunday, Sept	ember 11	
8:00am	Spoken Holy Eucharist Rite I	Church
9:15am	Nursery	Rm 208
9:30am		Church & via Livestream
10:30am	Church Picnic	Parish House
4:00pm	RYG Mill Dam Picnic	Mill Dam

OPPORTUNITIES

Register for Church School & Youth Programs

We are excitedly gearing up for the start of the Church School year. A lot has shifted since the fall of 2019 and the last time we held registrations. Registration has always been a helpful way for our teachers to know who to expect in their rooms. But this year, having the most up to date classroom rosters is important as we work to keep everyone safe and healthy. To that end, please register all your children regardless of your child's participation in previous years. Registration forms will be emailed to all families currently on our program list. Registration forms can also be found on our website: www.theredeemer.org/children_youth_registration

Wednesday Evening Formation Opportunities

Beginning September 21at 7:00pm

Episcopal Distinctiveness

Join a discussion of public issues as they can be seen through an Episcopal lens. We may consider big, controversial matters like Christian Nationalism or the overturning of Roe vs. Wade or the many varied calls for social justice in our communities; or we may focus on more local issues. The goal for each meeting, however, will be to discern more accurately what, as Episcopalians, we have to say or to offer in the debates that are always transforming our public life.

Do You Know What You Just Read?

This six-week series focuses on how to read the Bible in worship. It's intended especially for current lectors and those who would like to be lectors. It will include a general overview of the Bible and the lectionary, with special focus on the readings appointed for the coming weeks, and practice in reading for a listening audience. The goal is for lectors and the congregation to gain a better understanding of what it means for all of us to declare that these texts are "the Word of the Lord."

We invite you to a light supper from 6 to 6:45. If you would like to attend, please register here. If you'd like to contribute food for the supper, please sign up here.

Greeters Needed for 9:30

Here's an easy way to say hello to parishioners and guests. Those who would like to do so are welcome to join the Newcomer Committee (meets 4th Tuesdays at 7pm). Please make yourself known to Sally Moser sallymoser@gmail.com. We will be setting up a schedule later in September.

Needlepoint Group

Third Thursdays Beginning Sept 15 10:00am in Raymond Library

All are welcome to join us in the parish house for needlework and conversation. No need to RSVP. Come with your projects for an informal gathering. Please advise Sally Moser sallymoser@gmail.com if you would like to be on our email list.

Foyers Groups Forming

Whether you're a long-time member or a relative newcomer, Foyer Groups are designed to help you acquire more than a nodding acquaintance with more of your fellow parishioners. Typically, Foyer Groups of 8–10 individuals are formed with a designated "first host." Each group sets its own dates and venues for casual gatherings—most opt for pot luck dinners inside or outside a group member's home, but some are more innovative (e.g., local BYO, swim club, the Parish House). The idea is to broaden our knowledge and appreciation of one another as members of The Redeemer church family. To sign up, or for more information, please contact Jan Clarke at 610–547–1958 (cell) or janc144@ verizon.net.

Join the Acolyte Ministry

Boys and girls, ages 10 and up; youth, teens, Confirmation class, and recent confirmands are encouraged to participate in The Redeemer Acolyte Ministry. Adults are also welcome to participate. Servers are needed for the 9:30am service and occasional Evensongs. Commitment involves, at the most, one Sunday a month, plus major holidays. Recruiting will continue throughout September. Contact Head Verger, Bob Mikrut at vergerbob@comcast.net if you are interested in joining this parish ministry.



Get Involved

Please mark your calendars. Christmas Village 2022 will be held on November 18th and 19th!

The Christmas Village Committee will begin its regular meetings on September 19 at 7 pm in Room 125. Please contact Caroline Manogue (cbmanogue@gmail.com), Kate Chojnacki (kate.chojnacki@gmail.com) or Elisabeth Cooke (elisabeth.c.cooke@icloud.com) with any questions. In the meantime, here are a few ways you can consider getting involved:

- Christmas Crafts is busy brainstorming and welcomes any ideas for what to craft in 2022! Please send ideas, photos, and/or Pinterest links to Caroline Manogue (cbmanogue@gmail.com). The crafting schedule will come out later this summer and we will start to meet right after Labor Day in Room 007. Stay tuned for details!
- **Trinkets & Treasures** is excited and gearing up to offer a boutique shopping experience. Thank you to our loyal Redeemer fanbase that continues to amaze us with fine donations of estate and costume jewelry and designer fashion accessories for all. Popular items include silver & gold jewelry, silk scarves, cashmere wraps, evening bags, luxury leather bags, belts & wallets, bow ties, pocket & wrist watches, and hats.
- Tasty Treats will be meeting throughout the fall to cook, bake and laugh! If you'd like to be involved, please contact Kate Chojnacki (kate.chojnacki@gmail.com). No culinary skills required and time commitment can be as much (or as little) as you can give—there's a role for everyone. Please also consider items for donation!
- Please consider any items or experiences you may be able to donate to the **Silent Auction**. We welcome special experiences, tickets and unique items of all sorts. Please contact Meghan Jodz (meghanjodz@yahoo.com) if you have an item to donate.
- The **Children's Tent** is looking for donations of new or gently used puzzles. Please contact Cannie Shafer at canniecshafer@gmail.com if you have some to donate.
- If you know of a small business that would be interested in joining us as a **Vendor** in 2022, please reach out to Caroline Manogue (cbmanogue@gmail.com).

It truly takes a village to have a successful Village, and we hope to build on our success of 2021 to offer an even greater event with festive camaraderie, delicious food offerings and fun shopping experiences—all for a great cause. Remember it is a friend-raiser as much as a fund-raiser.

DID YOU KNOW

Did you know the term "Stewardship" is a universal word used in The Episcopal Church? "Stewardship is about being grateful, responsible stewards of the gifts we receive from God. The tradition of giving back to God and to the church comes from the Biblical practice of "tithing," which means to give back a tenth of our earnings to God (Numbers 18:26). The Episcopal Church sees stewardship as more than simply contributing money to the church; it's also about contributing time and talents and volunteering for ministry and mission. It's about reaching out to build relationships from a perspective of abundance instead of scarcity." (https://www.episcopalchurch.org/what-we-do/stewardship/) At The Redeemer, we are fortunate to have so many opportunities for our parishioners and community. Because of the abundance of our members for Stewardship, our endowment and capital campaigns helped to fund renovations in the Church and the new Parish House.

... 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.

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

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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

THIS WEEK AT THE REDEEMER

Mond	ay September 12	John Henry Hobart, Bishop, 1830		
12:00pm 8:00pm	Finance CommitteeNA	Staff Conf Rm 204 & Zoom Masterman Hall		
Tuesday September 13 Cyprian of Carthage, Bishop and Martyr, 258				
4:30pm 6:30pm 9:00pm	Outreach Committee Vestry	Rm 204 Masterman Hall/Zoom via Zoom		
Wednesday September 14 Holy Cross Day				
12:00pm 1:00pm 2:00pm 5:00pm 5:00pm 5:30pm 6:00pm 6:45pm	Staff Meeting Liturgy Meeting Cherub Choir Rehearsal Chorister Rehearsal Community Awareness Task Fo			
Thursdays September 15 Catherine of Genoa, Mystic & Nurse, 1510				
12:00pm 12:00pm 7:00pm	Needlepoint Group Formation Meeting Women Exploring Scripture Alcoholics Anonymous			
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IN OUR PRAYERS

• For those who are sick or in need:

Meg Curry Barbara Monica Hackett

Bill Simon Karen Nagel Jeffrey Louis Marx Gene John

Gary Fink Chris McCleary Stephanie Hancock Irene Glenn Beamer Rebecca Clothier Case

J. D. Fran Northrup

Dana Joan

- 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 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.

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CHURCH SCHOOL AND YOUTH MINISTRIES

First Day of Church School Lessons: September 18 Church School Open House Today

Knowing that the natural transitions and excitement changes bring, we invite ALL parents and children to our Church School Open House on Sunday, September 11th from 10:30 to 11:15am. All children's programs will take place on the 2nd floor of the Parish House. This will be a time for everyone to not only acquaint themselves with the differences this new space brings, but also find comfort in catching a glimpse of the ways it is still the same.

Sunday Morning Routine

This year we will make a small but noticeable shift in how we transition from Worship to Formation hour. In years past children and formation leaders recessed to the Narthex at the start of the final hymn and journeyed to the Parish House together. This year, all children will remain with their families in the service through the postlude and walk with them to their respective classrooms in the Parish House. Children age 3 to grade 3 begin the formation hour in Room 222 and end in Room 222 and Room 215 respectively. Children in grades 4 and 5 will spend the entire morning in Room 217. Church School takes place each week immediately following the 9:30am service until 11:15am.

Confirmation

Is your 8th grader or high schooler interested in learning more about their faith? About exploring what it means to make a mature commitment to a life of Christianity? Then consider this your invitation to take part in Confirm not Conform (CnC) this year! We will meet weekly on Sunday mornings to explore together fascinating, sometimes difficult questions about our faith so that each student can make a mature decision about whether or not to be confirmed at a service with the Bishop later this school year. Meet the CnC teachers and other students today during the picnic to get to know each other and see our classroom for the year. Please reach out to Cheryl Masterman, Kate Chojnacki, Michael Malloy, or Rev. Winnie Smith with questions or for more information!

Redeemer Youth Group

The Redeemer Youth Group will be holding their annual back to school picnic at the Mill Dam in Wayne this Sunday from 4-6 pm. Please join us!

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