News from Episcopal Church of Rede

SEPTEMBER 14, 2025

NEW & NOTEWORTHY

Coming Adult Formation Opportunities

Sunday, September 21 at 10:45am

Report from Canterbury Choir Pilgrimage

After finally arriving in Canterbury (that's a nightmare story all to its own) the choir enjoyed a highly successful and spirit-filled week of leading Choral Evensongs and Worship at Canterbury Cathedral. Please join us as we share a photo and video report along with personal experiences. A webpage, that's coming soon, will include direct links to the recorded livestreams of the daily services. If you can't wait, visit YouTube and search Choral Evensong Canterbury Cathedral, August 12 thru 17.

Sunday, September 28 at 10:45am **NEW Speaker Series Begins**

John Hougen, Coordinator, The Art of Interfaith Understanding
Faith Under Fire: the Art of Defiance will explore ways artists have celebrated and supported people of diverse faith traditions responding to faith's challenges. Challenges may come in the form of political tyranny seeking to suppress opposition, societal norms inimical to religious freedom, or personal suffering unalleviated by pleas for divine intervention. The Art of Defiance gives us perspective, lenses through which we may see the challenges to faith in our own times, and options for how to respond.

Adult Reception, Confirmation, Reaffirmation, and Searching Class

Are you an adult looking to explore your faith and learn more about The Episcopal Church? Are you interested in being received into the Church, Confirm or Reaffirm your Baptismal vows, or just have questions? Jeremy O'Neill will be leading an "Adult Confirmation, Reception, Reaffirmation and Searching Class" to cover material similar to what is explored by youth when they go through conversation, but drawing upon higher level sources and life experience. All are welcome for these evening discussions. Contact Jeremy joneill@theredeemer.org to learn more and for scheduling.

Acolyte Recruiting

Opportunities to serve as Torch Bears and Crucifers for children ages 10 and up are available in The Redeemer Acolyte Ministry. Servers are needed for the main Sunday service and holiday services. Commitment involves at least one Sunday a month. This is a beautiful way for youth to serve and learn about and experience the beauty and meaning of the liturgy close-up. Recruiting will continue throughout September with training in mid-October. Please contact Head Verger, Bob Mikrut, vergerbob@comcast. net, or the Parish Office, 610-525-2486. Pass the word around.

Sunday, September 14 The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost		
8:00am	Spoken Holy Eucharist Rite I	
9:15am	Nursery	Rm 208
9:30am	Holy Eucharist Rite II	Church + Livestream
10:40am	Coffee Hour	Burns Hall
10:45am	Church School	Upstairs Classrooms
		Staff Conf Rm 204
4:00pm	RYG	MastermanHall

Foyer Groups Forming

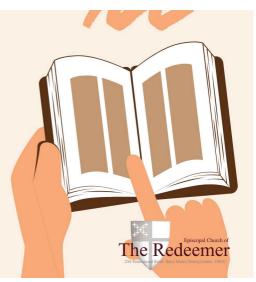
Whether you're a long-time member or a relative newcomer, Foyer Groups help you acquire more than a nodding acquaintance with more of your fellow parishioners. Typically, Foyer Groups of 8–10 individuals are formed with a designated "first host." Each group sets its own dates and venues for casual gatherings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

Thursday Bible Studies

Men's Bible Study 7:30am Pembroke Room starts September 4

Youth Bible Study 7:15am Raymond Library starts September 11

Women Exploring Scripture Noon via Zoom starts September 11



Wednesday Night Dinners

6:00pm September 17: Potluck

• Dinner served at 6, but feel free to come early for fellowship time. Cleanup starts at 6:45 and is completed by 7

• Each week is potluck with the exception of pizza nights which are ticketed \$10 Adults, \$8 Kids, payable upon arrival or by Venmo @TheRedeemer

• RSVP Required by Monday the week of Pizza night Activities for kids (games, stories, and discussions) 6:15-6:45 led by Glenn Beamer and Rebecca Northington

• RSVP your attendance and what you can bring for each week using this code.

Initiatives to Fill Our Sacred Spaces

Tuesday, September 23, 7-9pm St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 22 E. Chestnut Hill Ave., Philadelphia Kory Caudill - One Night Only in the City of Brotherly Love

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Trying a new way to answer the question, "how do we fill cathedral halls with incredible music and with an audience who maybe has never before come inside?"
Join in a fiery Appalachian soul, dazzling piano wizardry, and a warm, spirited night of music with pianist/Nashville keys ace Kory Caudill. Move information and tickets available here: https://bit.ly/KCinPhilly)

Using The Redeemer as an Anchor Institution

From Cradles to Crayons

The community support has been outstanding and is the best that we've seen from any bin placement. Pick-ups from the mailbox are required twice a week, as it fills every 5 days or so. Each time it's about 3 carts full of high-quality donations, which means we're able to distribute a higher percentage of what is donated to children. Someone even dropped off 60 pairs of brand-new shoes last week!

September 8, 2025 Red Cross Blood Drive stats:

- Lifesaving blood collected 34 pints
- Goal 29 pints
- % of goal 117 pints
- Above & beyond –

5 donations above goal - Awesome!

- First Time Donors 4
- Power Red Donors 8
- Type O Donors 20

COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

Reserve Your Tickets Now

September 16, 6 to 8pm

Family Promise Montco, PA will hold its Hope for Homes fundraising event here. More information and purchase tickets here: www.fpmontco.org/hopeforhomes2025/



ElderNet Thank You



Sincere thanks to the many parishioners who went out of their way to help others by donating cleaning supplies and paper products for ElderNet this summer. We were able to deliver approximately 50 full bags! Special thanks to Leslie Boris for organizing the collection and to Bill Gross for keeping the contributions moving by making regular deliveries to ElderNet. For those who want to know more, ElderNet is a nonprofit located in Bryn Mawr behind Ludington Library. It serves adults of all ages, especially frail older or younger disabled persons with low to moderate incomes. In addition to the food pantry that services 250 households who get food every other week, ElderNet also has a "Volunteer program" consisting of medical rides and friendly visits to alleviate isolation and

a care management program run by Licensed Social Workers. If you're interested in participating in any of those programs or making donations throughout the year, visit the website: https://eldernet.org.

Episcopal Legal Aid Celebration

Thursday, October 9, 5-7 pm, Church of St. Asaph, Bala Cynwyd

Celebrate another year of accomplishments with ELA. Enjoy drinks, hors d'oeuvres and decadent desserts. Ticket prices remain at \$50. Bring a friend and save \$25. Consider becoming a patron. Tickets available here: https://www.episcopallegalaid.org/annualcelebration.

ECS is Moving

After 120 years in Old City, ECS is relocating its headquarters to the St. Barnabas Community Resource Center (6006 W. Gerard Ave.) in West Philadelphia—bringing its leadership and operations closer to the heart of the neighborhoods it serves. This move is more than a change of location. It's a reflection of ECS's mission in action. By moving to the Haddington and Carroll Park communities, ECS is deepening its connection with residents, expanding vital programs, and investing in a future where every voice matters and every neighborhood thrives. ECS is proud to build on the legacy of support within the Episcopal Diocese of Pennsylvania as it takes this mission–driven step forward.

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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



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.

complete an online form here.

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.

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

Monda	ay, September 15	Holy Cross Day		
6:30pm	Executive Committee	Staff Conf R m 204		
7:30pm	Christmas Village CommitteeNA	Pembroke Room		
8:00pm	NA	Masterman Hall		
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Tuesday, September 16Ninian, Bishop, c. 43010:00amChristmas Village CraftingRm 0011:00pmClergy MeetingStaff Conf Rm 2043:00pmBeaumont EucharistBeaumont4:30pmAdult Forum CommitteeStaff Conf Rm 204				
10:00am	Christmas Village Crafting	Rm 001		
1:00pm	Clergy Meeting	Staff Conf Rm 204		
3:00pm	Beaumont Eucharist	Beaumont		
4:30pm	Tracit Totalii Collinative IIIIIIIIII			
5:00pm	Choristers Rehearsal			
5:00pm	FPML Hope for Homes Reception	Burns Hall		
9:00pm	Compline	via Zoom		
Wednesday, September 17 Hildegard of Bingen, Mystice & Scholar, 1179				
1:00pm	Staff Meeting Liturgy Meeting Cherub Choir	Staff Conf Rm 204		
2:00pm	Liturgy Meeting	Staff Conf Rm 204		
5:00pm	Cherub Choir	Rm 215		
5:00pm	Choristers Rehearsal			
6:00pm	Wednesday Night Supper (potluck)	Burns Hall		
6:45pm	Schola & Redeemer Choir Rehearsal	lChoir Rm		
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7:30am	Men's Bible Study	Pembroke Rm		
10:00am	Needlepoint Group	Raymond Library		
12:00pm	Women Exploring Scripture	Raymond Library		
1:00pm	Formation Meeting	Staff Conf Rm 204		
5:30pm	Ad Hoc Worship Committee	Staff Conf Rm 204		
7:00pm	Alcoholics Anonymous	Masterman Hall		
9:00pm	Compline	via Zoom		
Friday,	September 19	Theodore of Tarsus, Archbishop of Canterbury, 690		
9:00am 2:00pm		Church		
4:30pm	Prysm Strings	Parish House		
6:00pm	Prysm Strings Parents Meeting	Church		
Saturday, September 20 John Coleridge Patheson, Bishop, and his Companions, Martyrs, 1871				
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9:00am	Flower Guild (Friday or Saturday)	Church		
10:3am	Junior Verger Training			
3:00pm	Lennon Wedding	Church		
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10:40am		Burns Hall		
10:45am	Church School			
10:45am	Canterbury Pilgrimage Report	Burns Hall		
12:00pm	Vestry Meeting			
3:30pm	Eagle Scout Ceremony			
4:00pm	RYG	MastermanHall		

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 Venmo

Via PayPal

All Options

IN OUR PRAYERS

• For those who are sick or in need:

Jill WhitneyCannieWilliamJohn PantaloMalcolmDoris

JanePam DaleyCamille ScottKristenBob HobbsTom GerrityRhondaMeganChris McClearyJay & MarthaJillFran NorthrupLisaSandyMonica Hackett

Carol Andreas Pas

- 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 - Church School begins today September 14.

We are excited to announce that The Redeemer's church school academic year will commence on Sunday, September 14 at 10:45 in the Parish House. Our Grade 4 & 5 class will meet in room 217 and our Pre-K to 3 group will meet in room 215.

This year our curriculum will develop the theme of Peace with God's Creation. In addition to developing scriptural literacy and connecting God's teachings to our children's world, we have projects designed to foster team work, ignite creativity, and seek Peace among our communities.

We are excited for the coming year and the contributions the Redeemer's children will bring to the parish. If you have interest or questions, please contact Glenn Beamer at gbeamer@theredeemer.org or 908-432-8016.

Youth Confirmation Class Confirmation, the ceremony of affirming the vows said on one's behalf at Baptism, is available to all those interested. Traditionally done in the 7th or 8th Grade year, please contact Jeremy O'Neill if you or your child is interested. The class meets weekly starting in October.

The Redeemer Youth Group RYG, will meet Sunday from 4-6 pm at the Parish House in Masterman Hall. We will continue to play get-to-know-you games, inside and outside, weather permitting, and will jump more fully into our theme for the year: REST, as understood through the Sabbath. We will continue our Bible Breakfast Study on Thursday morning from 7:15-8am. Please join us or enquire with Rebecca Northington at rnorthington@theredeemer.org.

DID YOU KNOW

Did you know, this news feature is run by volunteers of the Stewardship Committee? In the fall, the column focuses on the current Stewardship Campaign by providing "all things Stewardship" such as detailed progress statistics, alerts for upcoming mailings (emails) and ways to pledge. After the Annual Meeting, the purpose of the column changes to highlight how everything The Redeemer does, both internally and externally in the community, is because of the collective generous Stewardship support. Past generations provided for the present, and we are now stewards of Redeemer's legacy and posterity.