

News from The Redeemer

Episcopal Church of

SEPTEMBER 28, 2025

NEW & NOTEWORTHY

Last Sunday of the Month 9:30am Worship

Change of liturgy.

It has been our habit to schedule Choral Matins on the last Sunday of each month. We have done this in order not to lose important expressions of the Christian faith that are included only in the Daily Office. We are making a few substantial changes to this service. We are significantly shortening the usual Morning Prayer service, which will then be a preface to Holy Communion. This is a response to comments we have received. We will still be able to include canticles and sung prayers in our common worship life. Holy Communion will be part of every Sunday morning service. And the movement that is part of liturgy will be helpful for families. The service should be no longer than one hour.

Speaker Series Debuts



Sunday, September 28 at 10:45am

NEW Speaker Series Begins - *Faith Under Fire: the Art of Defiance*
John Hougen, Coordinator, The Art of Interfaith Understanding

We kick off our series of outside speakers focusing on the relationship between Art and Faith. John Hougen will present to us an exhibit he recently showcased at the Philadelphia Museum of Art entitled: *The Art of Defiance*. John is ordained in the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America and is Coordinator of The Art of Interfaith Understanding, an annual series of programs

sponsored by Interfaith Philadelphia and the Office of Community Engagement at the Philadelphia Museum of Art. The Speaker Series continues next week, October 5, with Carolyn Harper.

Choral Evensong
First Sunday, October 5 at 5:00pm
Sung by the full Redeemer Choir
singing the music we didn't get to sing in Canterbury

Andrew Senn's *Preces and Responses*
***Magnificat and Nunc dimittis* in A of Herbert Sumsion**
Charles Wood's *Hail Gladdening Light*

Checkout the new page on our website reporting on the choir's recent residency/pilgrimage to Canterbury Cathedral: www.TheRedeemer.org/Canterbury.

Sunday, September 28

The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

8:00am	Spoken Holy Eucharist Rite I.....	Church
9:15am	Nursery.....	Rm 208
9:30am	Choral Matins with Holy Communion.....	Church + Livestream
10:40am	Coffee Hour.....	Burns Hall
10:45am	Church School	Upstairs Classrooms
10:45am	Speaker Series.....	Pembroke Room
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.

Organ Concert

Sunday, October 12 at 5pm

Daniel Colaner

Michael Stairs Organ Scholar

Performing works of:
Duruflé, Elgar, and Holst

Free will offering

Church of the Redeemer Music Series

More information www.TheRedeemer.org/music_series





Reimbursements

When volunteers request a reimbursement please make sure the Financial Service Request Form is completely filled out and includes your name/signature at the bottom (along with any receipts or invoices.) Forms are available in the office. Please contact Joshua at jcastano@theredeemer.org if you have any questions.

Fall Churchyard Day

Fall has arrived in the Churchyard! Join us on November 1 (the traditional feast of All Saints) for our Fall Churchyard Day. We will meet from 9am until 12pm for clean-up, pruning, and care throughout the churchyard. You are welcome to bring your garden and yard tools, but it's not necessary. Do dress comfortably and appropriately.

Cornerstone Class Begins

Tuesday, October 7 at 7:00pm, Staff Conference Room 204

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.

Morning Musicales Return

Returning to The Redeemer, the Main Line Committee for the Philadelphia Orchestra is proud to present the 2025-2026 season of Morning Musicales. This is a three-concert series featuring a mix of mainstream and eclectic classical music. Concerts are presented in the morning, at 11:00am, and run for approximately one hour. The first concert will be on **Thursday, October 16** and showcases Trio Accordé, a group comprised of saxophone, violin and accordion; sure to be an intriguing performance! The program will feature works by Mozart, Gershwin, Piazzolla, Bartok, Shostakovich, and more. The second concert, to be held **Thursday, November 20**, features Hannah Nicholas, viola, and Daniel Anastasio, piano, performing both solo and ensemble pieces by Couperin, Brahms, Ravel, and Fauré. The final concert on **Thursday, April 16, 2026**, will present the unique duo ArcoStrum on five instruments: violin, erhu, dizi, classical and electric guitar. Tickets and subscriptions will be available at the door; single tickets are \$20.00. Proceeds from the concert benefit the Philadelphia Orchestra.

Wednesday Night Dinners

6:00pm October 1 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.



Christmas Village

Christmas Village invitations will be going out this week! Please be on the lookout for the invitation in your mailbox and plan to join us on November 14th & 15th. This year, tickets for the Friday evening dinner can only be purchased by returning the paper response card that will be enclosed in your invite. If you have any questions or concerns – or you don't receive your invitation – please reach out to Kate Chojnacki at kate.chojnacki@gmail.com.



The Christmas Village committee has been hard at work ensuring that this year is a great success. The committee meets every Monday from 7 pm – 8 pm in the Pembroke Room. Please plan to join us if you'd like to get involved. If you can't attend the meeting, but still want to help and engage, there are lots of opportunities to do so. Every Wednesday crafters meet in the Christmas Village Room (next to Masterman Hall in the basement of the Parish Hall) from 10 am – 12 pm to work on delightful Christmas crafts and centerpieces. If you have questions – please reach out to Caroline Manogue cbmanogue@gmail.com. As we get closer to the event – you'll also see requests to sign up to help setup the Village, work at one of the Redeemer booths during the event and/or help with clean up. We appreciate all the work that everyone puts into this event!

The VINTAGE! booth is now collecting jewelry & fashion accessories to fill their treasured boutique. Hot-selling favored items include costume jewelry, design silk scarves, classic wrist watches, gold chains, pearls, rhinestones, rings, estate & antique pieces, vintage purses, bow ties and cufflinks. Call Lisa Davis (610-733-0095) or Pam McMullin (610-331-2262) to arrange convenient drop-off/ pick-up of items.

Finally, Every year the auction raises a significant amount of money for Redeemer outreach efforts. Unique items, experiences and vacations are all appreciated. If you have something that you might consider donating, please reach out to Caroline Manogue at cbmanogue@gmail.com

COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

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.episcopalllegalaid.org/annualcelebration>.

Can You Help?

Sunday October 19 to 26

We host Family Promise in the Parish House

These are three Montgomery County family neighbors who have temporarily lost their safety nets and need us (and other churches) to provide food and shelter as they look for housing or jobs or both. They demonstrate amazing resilience and perseverance as they work to get back on their feet. You can help with this ministry of hospitality and presence by making a meal, staying overnight, visiting with our guests, supplying groceries, setting up/taking down beds or doing laundry. Just indicate your preference on our Sign-Up Genius on line (www.TheRedeemer.org/RSVP) or the easel in the Parish House. 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.

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), 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

Monday, September 29

St. Michael and All Angels

7:30pm	Christmas Village Committee.....	Pembroke Rm
8:00pm	NA.....	Masterman Hall

Tuesday, September 30

Jerome, Priest & Scholar, 420

10:00am	Christmas Village Crafting	Rm 007
1:00pm	Clergy Meeting	Staff Conf Rm 204
5:00pm	Choristers Rehearsal	Choir Rm
9:00pm	Compline	via Zoom

Wednesday, October 1

Remigius of Rheims, Bishop, c.530 & Therese of Lisieux, Monastic, 1897

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	Schola & Redeemer Choir Rehearsal	Choir Rm

Thursday, October 2

7:15am	Youth Bible Breakfast	Raymond Library
12:00pm	Women Exploring Scripture	Raymond Library
1:00pm	Formation Meeting	Staff Conf Rm 204
7:00pm	Alcoholics Anonymous	Masterman Hall
9:00pm	Compline	via Zoom

Friday, October 3

John Raleigh Mott, Ecumenist & Missionary, 1955

9:00am	Flower Guild (Friday or Saturday).....	Church
4:30pm	Prysm Strings	Church & 2nd Floor Parish House

Saturday, October 4

Francis of Assisi, Friar & Deacon, 1226

9:00am	Flower Guild (Friday or Saturday).....	Church
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Sunday, October 5

The Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

8:00am	Spoken Holy Eucharist Rite I.....	Church
9:15am	Nursery	Rm 208
9:30am	Holy Eucharist Rite II.....	Church + Livestream
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5:00pm	Choral Evensong	Church

*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

IN OUR PRAYERS

- For those who are sick or in need:

Jill Whitney	Cannie	William
John Pantalo	Malcolm	Doris
Jane	Pam Daley	Camille Scott
Kristen	Bob Hobbs	Tom Gerrity
Rhonda	Megan	Chris McCleary
Jay & Martha	Jill	Fran Northrup
Lisa	Sandy	Monica 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 10:45am - Second Floor Classrooms

The Redeemer's church school is off to an energetic, fun start. This coming week, we will be having our classes in rooms 216 and 215 on the second floor of the parish house. We will be moving from learning about Genesis and God's creation to Exodus and the Jews search for God's peace in creation.

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 goes to St Francis Inn this morning to serve the community of Kensington a warm meal and an afternoon of fellowship. We will meet as usual Sunday evening from 4-6 pm to continue our conversation around REST, along with some fun outside games, Bible trivia and a shared meal. This Thursday we meet for Bible Breakfast to continue our discussion of Paul's letter to the Romans. Please join us!

DID YOU KNOW

Did you know the Stewardship Committee has been working diligently to plan for Stewardship 2026? The process is a collaboration of Committee Members, with mentorship from Peter Vanderveen, and support from Ken Garner, Director of Communications and Stewardship. This committee consists of parishioners giving of their time and talents to help maximize Redeemer's annual financial foundation. Kickoff emails will be sent the week of October 5th from the chair of the Stewardship Committee Chris Chojnacki with the subject "2026 Stewardship Kickoff." Please watch for these emails, read the personalized messages, view the Rector's video, prayerfully consider the request and follow up with an online pledge. Redeemer has a strong base of support because of the generosity of so many households.