



News from The Redeemer

Episcopal Church of

SEPTEMBER 12, 2021

Picnic Today

Please join us following the 9:30 am service. The program year is beginning, and after nearly a year and a half of separation, distancing, and restrictions, it's time to celebrate the opportunity we have to gather for fellowship on new grounds and within the renovated Parish House. Sandwiches, salads, and dessert will be provided. Please feel free to bring your own food if you'd like. Explore the building. Share a table with friends. Imagine what will be possible for us as a church moving forward.

September 19 New Sunday Schedule Fully Begins

- 8:00 am Holy Eucharist-spoken/no music
- 8:30 am Choir rehearsal
- 9:30 am Holy Eucharist - choirs
Choral Matins (last Sunday of every month)
- 10:40 am Coffee Hour
- 10:45 am Church school
Adult forum
- 4:00 pm Redeemer Youth Group

Sunday afternoon 4pm services begin in October

Chancel Arrangement

In order to facilitate greater distance, the choirs have been moved forward in the chancel.

COVID Protocols

Because of the recent Delta variant surge in COVID infections, we are following the CDC recommendations requesting that all persons wear masks when inside buildings.

Women Exploring Scripture

**Thursdays, Noon to 1,
beginning September 16**

In the New Testament Letter to the Hebrews, the writer invites us to look at the whole sweep of Biblical history and see it coming to a climax in Jesus. Join us on Zoom as we explore Hebrews. Preparation and prior knowledge are not necessary. Check the church calendar for Zoom information, or email Barbara Billings at bandsbil@verizon.net.

Men's Bible Study

**Thursdays at 7:30am
beginning September 16**

Room 125 Parish House
For more information contact Michael Palmisano mpalmisano@theredeemer.org

Wednesday Eucharists

Noon Eucharists every Wednesday will resume on September 15.

Sunday, September 12

- 8:00 am Holy Eucharist, Rite I spoken..... Church
- 8:30am Choir Rehearsal Choir Rm
- 9:15-10:45am ChildcareNursery
- 9:30 am Holy Eucharist, Rite II with choirs..... Church

PICNIC FOLLOWS THIS SERVICE OUTSIDE AND INSIDE
AT THE NEW PARISH HOUSE.

Needlepoint Group

Tuesday September 14 10am-noon
Parish House Room 125

All are welcome. Bring needlework or other projects, and your calendar so we can set our regular meetings. COVID projects welcome for show and tell. This is a very casual gathering for all. Contact Sally Moser for more information sallymoser@gmail.com.

Come and Sing!

September is open-house month for our choir program. Children and adults are welcome to join us and try out the program. Teens are Tuesdays from 6:00-7:30pm, Choristers and Cherubs are on Wednesday from 5-6pm and Adults are on Wednesday from 6:30-8pm. We begin with the Mozart Requiem score, concert, to be held in November. For more information email mdiorio@TheRedeemer.org

Honoring Mary Hopkins

Help End Homelessness AND celebrate Redeemer's own Mary Hopkins, Volunteer Honoree, at the 2nd annual online fundraiser benefiting the Interfaith Hospitality Network of the Main Line, Sunday, September 19, from 6 to 7:30 pm. To register visit <https://hopeforhomes.givesmart.com>. This is a great opportunity to show our heartfelt appreciation for Mary, who served as Redeemer's indefatigable and much-loved volunteer IHN coordinator for many years, as well as support IHN!

Donations for Afghan Refugees

The Impact Center in Haverford is collecting donations for refugees from Afghanistan and delivering them to Fort Dix. They are specifying that anything donated must be of a quality that family members would give to each other as they want to meet needs with dignity in mind. Please bring modest long-sleeved clothing (no shorts, dresses or tank tops), shoes, personal hygiene supplies (soap, toothpaste, etc.), hats for all ages, stuffed animals, kitchen items (pots and pans, mixing bowls, pot holders, can openers), tableware, blankets, comforters, twin and queen sheets, towels and washcloths to the Narthex on **Sunday, the 12th** or the Parish House by **Wednesday, the 15th**, and a member of the Outreach Community Services Committee will deliver them to Impact **as they are making their next timely delivery to Ft. Dix on the 16th**. For more information email Leslie Boris at leslieboris@icloud.com or call 610-212-1347.

Red Cross Blood Drive

Friday, October 8, 2 to 7pm
Burns Hall, Parish House

Please call 1-800-RED CROSS or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter: TheRedeemer to schedule an appointment.

Gmail Users

If you're missing our parish emails, please check your spam folder and move theredeemer.org addresses to your contacts. and inbox.

Hurricane Ida Relief

To help with hurricane relief and reach vulnerable communities devastated by Hurricane Ida and other catastrophic storms, make a donation to Episcopal Relief and Development's **Hurricane Relief Fund**. Your gift will provide ERD's partners on the ground with critical supplies, such as food and water, pastoral care and other urgent needs. You'll also assist with the long-term efforts needed to rebuild and heal. Go to support. episcopalrelief.org to donate today.

ECS Forum on Justice and Opportunity

October 18-22, Monday-Friday 12:00-1:00pm
Virtual Lunchtime Sessions

Attendees will learn about intrinsic issues of poverty, and the three ECS Advocacy initiative concerns: Racial Equity; Elimination of the Benefits Cliff; and Promotion of a Living Wage. A special forum session will explore Faith-Based Advocacy on Thursday October 21 at 4pm. The event is free and Redeemer parishioners are encouraged to register October 15! For late comers only: During the event week, please register the day prior to any session you want to attend so we may send you a link to the event platform. For more information and to register: ecsphilly.org.

DID YOU KNOW

Did you know The Redeemer's physical campus benefits the broader community? In a sense the buildings are an outreach program too. We host homeless families through IHN, Red Cross Blood drives, garden clubs, an election polling site, benefit concerts, adult forum speakers, 12 Step recovery programs, a hostel for out-of-town college students, food collections, dog-walkers, comfort facilities for postal workers, and the Christmas Bazaar. In addition, many neighborhood children have learned to bike, scooter, skateboard and drive in our parking lot while Lower Merion police use it as a location between calls. Like many other community programs, the church has had to adapt during COVID and when the time is right, The Redeemer can return to sharing its physical structures with even more programs in our community.

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

WELCOME ALEXANDER LEONARDI



A native of Long Island, NY, Alexander is in his second year studying Organ Performance at the Curtis Institute of Music with professor Alan Morrison. Alexander has been studying organ for nine years and piano for eleven years. Prior to attending Curtis, he was part of the Pre-College Division of The Juilliard School, and studied with Dr. Matthew Lewis.

Over his years of study, Alexander has participated in numerous other programs outside his usual schooling, including the Organ and Piano Institutes at Westminster Choir College and the Philadelphia-Macy's Organ Camp. He has participated in several competitions, including the annual International Organ Competition at the Wells School of Music at West Chester University where he won first prize, and the 2020 Brooklyn AGO competition where he won second prize.

Alexander was also the recipient of the Award for Music Theory and Ear Training at Juilliard Precollege. While at home on Long Island, Alexander has served as a substitute organist for numerous congregations of differing denominations, most recently his local Episcopal church, Christ Church in Babylon.

Of the Michael Stairs Organ Scholar position, Alexander writes:

"I am excited to join The Redeemer community as the new Michael Stairs Organ Scholar. I am eager to learn the unique skills and techniques that can only be taught through an experience of a position such as this. In this position I hope to expand my own musicianship by engaging in opportunities that provide experience in collective and collaborative music making. I am excited to serve and support the parish community through offering my musical abilities to the hopeful enrichment of the worship experience."

SUNDAY AFTERNOONS START IN OCTOBER

Our Sunday afternoon services at 4pm will begin in October. Choral Evensong will be held on the first Sunday of each month. On the second Sunday, a family friendly informal Eucharist will be featured. Vespers will be held on the third Sunday of the month. Join us for these evening offerings. Our October Vespers will feature the musicians from Artcinia: a local arts organization that brings music into underserved areas, creates performance opportunities for musicians, and provides communities access to performances and arts education.

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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.

Worshipping in the time of COVID-19.

For in church worship, all are requested to wear masks at all times and practice social distancing using only pews that are unmarked.

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.

Best sources for information on all our ministries are on our website (www.TheRedeemer.org), Facebook page (RedeemerBryn-Mawr), Twitter feed (@TheRedeemerPA) and Instagram (theredeemerpa).

Submission guidelines and a submission form for The News can be found at www.TheRedeemer.org/the_news.

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- For hearing assistance devices
- For a card to drop in the offering plate if you give online

THIS WEEK AT THE REDEEMER

Monday, September 13

Cyprian of Carhage, Bishop & Martyr, 258

12:00 pm	Finance Committee	Rm 125 & Zoom Meeting
7:00 pm	Naranon	Hospitality Suite
8:00 pm	NA	Masterman Hall

Tuesday, September 14

Holy Cross Day5

10:00 am	Needlepoint Group.....	Rm 125
6:00 pm	Schola Rehearsal.....	Choir Rm
6:00 pm	DAR	Burns Hall and Kitchen
6:30 pm	Vestry	Masterman Hall
7:00 pm	St. Augustine Group	Library
9:00 pm	Compline Zoom Meeting.....	Passcode 327117

Wednesday, September 15

Catherine of Genoa, Mystic & Nurse, 1510

10:30 am	Formation Meeting.....	Staff Conf Rm
12:00 pm	Holy Eucharist.....	Church
1:00 pm	Staff Meeting	Rm 125
2:00 pm	Liturgy Meeting.....	Staff Conf Rm
5:00 pm	Cherub Choir Rehearsal.....	Rm 215
5:00 pm	Choristers Rehearsal	Choir Rm
6:30 pm	Redeemer Choir Rehearsal.....	Burns Hall

Thursday, September 16

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7:30 am	Men's Bible Study	Rm 125
12:00 pm	Women Exploring Scripture	Zoom Meeting
2:00 pm	Fire Suppression Check.....	Kitchen
8:00 pm	Alcoholics Anonymous.....	Masterman Hall
9:00 pm	Compline Zoom Meeting.....	Passcode 327117

Friday, September 17

Hildegard of Bingen, Mystic & Scholar, 1179

9:00 am	Flower Guild.....	Church
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Saturday, September 18

Edward Bouverie Pusey, Priest, 1882

11:00 am	Rebecca Davis Funeral.....	Church
12:30 pm	Jr Verger Training.....	Church

Sunday, September 19

The Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

8:00 am	Spoken Holy Eucharist Rite I.....	Church
8:30 am	Choir Warm-Ups & Rehearsal	Choir Rm
9:15 am	Nursery	Rm 208
9:30 am	Holy Eucharist Rite II	Church & via Livestream
10:40 am	Coffee Hour	Burns Hall
10:45 am	Adult Forum	Masterman Hall
10:45 am	Church School.....	Second Floor PH
10:45 am	Confirmation Class	Youth Cottage
4:00 pm	RYG.....	Youth Cottage

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:

Chris McCleary	Karin Helmers	Jeffrey
Rich Diegle	Shawn Garner	John
Glenn Beamer	Linnea	Stephanie Hancock
Connor Joel McKay	Joan	Rebecca Clothier Case
Fran Northup	Monica Hackett	

- For our brothers and sisters in Malawi affected by HIV/AIDS.
- For the earthquake victims in Haiti.
- For all those recovering from hurricane Ida.
- For those fleeing from devastation in their countries of origin especially Afghanistan.
- For the victims of violence in this country and throughout the world.
- For those who have died, especially Bob Denious and Rebecca Davis. .

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, Michael Palmisano-mpalmisano@theredeemer.org or ext. 13, 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

Children's Formation - Church School Open House

Knowing that the natural transitions and excitement changes bring, we invite ALL parents and children to our Church School Open House on Sunday, September 12th from 9:15 to 9:30am and 10:45 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.

First Day of Church School: September 19

Register for Church School!

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 Church School registration. 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 for Church School 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

Middle School (6th-7th):

The 6th and 7th graders will begin the Church School program on Sunday 9/19 in Room 024 immediately following the 9:30am service. This year the middle schoolers will experience a new program involving both learning and leading as they take on new roles in guiding their younger peers in Church School lessons each month.

Confirmation:

The confirmands will meet for their first class on 9/19 in the Youth Cottage immediately following the 9:30am service. The group will spend some time orienting to the year and getting to meet one another and their teachers. If your child (8th grade and up) or you are interested in Confirmation this year, please contact Michael Palmisano.

Youth Picnic - Mill Dam Club, 9/12/21 @ 5pm:

All youth (6th-12th grade) and their families are invited to join us for a start-of-the-year picnic at the Mill Dam Club in Wayne. Please bring basketballs, tennis rackets and swimsuits or other lawn games you like. This is an amazing old school club with a huge pool, a pond, and a great field for games. It will be a great opportunity for youth and families to celebrate the new year with their peers. Please contact Rebecca Northington or Michael Palmisano for more details.