

# FELLOWSHIP

## DANCE PARTY - OLDIES FOR ALL AGES

Saturday, March 1, 2014  
7:30 - 10:30

There's still time to sign up for this outreach fundraiser and parish fun making event!!

Look for sign up on Sundays at coffee hour or contact Cheryl Masterman [camast@verizon.net](mailto:camast@verizon.net)

\$50.00 per person - All proceeds go to outreach

Dance the night away on this fun filled evening with friends. Gather at David and Diane Senior's fabulously renovated carriage house as the Silver Sound DJ takes you down memory lane with 50's - 80's top hits. Enjoy drinks and desserts while chatting downstairs or diggin' the groove while dancin' upstairs. A little something for adults of all ages!

## Please join us for this annual Choir FUNraiser.

Saturday, February 22, 2014,  
6:30pm-9:00pm  
Parish House Assembly Room



Delicious German and Austrian cuisine will be offered. We'll also have an Auction of talents & skills, and performances by our staff singers and tour group.

Proceeds support this Year's Music & Mission Tour.

\$50 per person / \$85 per couple

10% off for those who R.S.V.P. by February 10th!

Limited to 70 people.

[www.TheRedeemer.org/RSVP](http://www.TheRedeemer.org/RSVP)

## NEWCOMER PROFILE

PEOPLE MAKING THE REDEEMER THEIR FAITH COMMUNITY

INTERVIEWED BY KEN GARNER



Soo Kee Yoo and her grandchildren Analise and Christopher here at The Redeemer on Easter 2013

### How long have you been attending services here?

I have been attending The Redeemer since Easter of 2013. My dear friend Melissa Donnelly invited my family, and since then I have been attending services religiously, so to speak. The services inspired me. I have also received a warm welcome from members of the congregation such as Mrs. Elizabeth McLean, who has taken on the role of a mentor for me, and the "Widow's Walk" group, Elizabeth McLean, Gloria DePasquale, Dee Lafferty Pugh, Jenny Kirkpatrick, Joan Warren, Joan Harvey, Kitten Susanin, and Beth Hixon.

### Are you life-long Episcopalians? If so, what other Episcopal churches have you attended?

I am not a life-long member of the Episcopal Church. But both of my sons, John and Christopher, went to the Episcopal Academy for middle and high school when it was at its Merion location. I also used to attend St. Christopher's Church in Gladwyne, though not regularly.

### What was your previous church experience?

I was baptized as a Presbyterian in the small town where I grew up in South Korea. When I immigrated to the Philadelphia area in 1967, I became a member of a Korean Presbyterian Church. When our pastor, the Rev. John Kim, recently retired after 50 years, I decided to visit Episcopal Churches near Gladwyne, where I still live.

### How did you find The Redeemer?

I attended the baptism of Melissa Donnelly's daughter 25 years ago at the Redeemer. I remember still how the service impressed me. Melissa grew up in The Redeemer and is still a regular member. When I began looking for a new church, Melissa told me, "There is no other church like the Redeemer." She was right.

### What inspired you to attend?

I felt a strong need to lead a religious life, especially after my husband passed

away. The Redeemer opened up a world to me of deeply inspiring, beautiful programs, warm welcomes, kindness, and most of all the wonderful liturgy, Bible study, theological discussion and social gatherings.

### What would you want to tell others about The Redeemer to encourage them to come and explore our parish?

The Redeemer is a church whose architectural beauty is only exceeded by the beauty of its people and history in the community. The Rev. Peter Vanderveen, the clergy, and the regular members are truly kind, open-minded, and welcoming. The music is beautiful, the sermons are deeply moving, and the liturgy is outstanding. I treasure the quality of the religious experience here. You will have unique experiences in this parish.

### Since we're in the midst of our annual stewardship campaign, can you share with us why you feel it's important to financially support the church?

I am very impressed with The Redeemer's organization, its rich activities, and the religious commitment of its services. It is a privilege for those of us in the congregation to contribute in a small way to help worship God in this beautiful way. In the real world,

without financial support, it is difficult to accomplish The Redeemer's ambitious goals.

### Tell us a bit about yourself outside of The Redeemer—your jobs, your family, your hobbies.

My husband, John Hyun Soo Yoo, and I emigrated from Seoul, South Korea, in 1967. We chose Philadelphia because, as young doctors in Korea, we listened to the music of Eugene Ormandy and the Philadelphia Orchestra. Upon arriving in the Philadelphia area, we settled in Gladwyne and both practiced as psychiatrists. I have practiced for 41 years at Albert Einstein hospital's Belmont Center, where I now serve as medical director of the older adult unit. My older son John went to Harvard and became a law professor at the University of California, Berkeley. My younger son Christopher went to Penn and Yale, and is now the CEO of his own bio-technology company in Scottsdale, AZ. My husband passed away in 2012 after a long career in adolescent adult psychiatry, and his hospital, Creative Health in Pottstown, PA, named its building after him. I am dedicated to geriatric psychiatry, and still enjoy the music of the Philadelphia Orchestra, OperaPhiladelphia, and the Metropolitan Opera in New York City. I also love reading British literature.