

FELLOWSHIP

HOUSE OF USHERS

FRIDAY, JANUARY 25, 6 PM

BY JAY EINSPANIER



Fabulous food highlights the evening. Howard Baker commented, it was the most fun he'd ever had at church!

On Friday, October 5, Redeemer ushers sponsored an event in the Assembly Room which revolved around camaraderie, good food, and a little recruiting for new volunteers. Those assembled heard a unique presentation on the history and making of great whiskey. Before the evening's program, the attendees enjoyed a great meal prepared by Rodger McKinney, as well as some play-

off baseball on the big screen. Our speaker for the evening, Michael Parducci, then took control of the undisciplined crowd and walked us through the heather and thistle of Scotland, revealing the mysteries of whiskey and assuring us that this is where the best Scotch whiskey can be found.

If you missed this event, then mark your calendars for later this month. The House of Ushers returns on Friday, January 25. On that evening, Chef McKinney will return for an encore performance. The baseball playoffs will be replaced by either the Flyers or college hoops on the big screen. The gathering will only be briefly interrupted by an usher's representative as s/he makes a case to join the merry band of ushers for service on Sunday and to introduce, once again, Michael Parducci. For this evening, Michael will lead us through a description of wine making along with some targeted, albeit light, tasting.

Consult www.TheRedeemer.org for additional information or contact Sean McCauley sean@mccauleyrealtyadvisors.com.

TWELFTH NIGHT CELEBRATION

SATURDAY, JANUARY 5, 4:30-6:30 PM

BY BETH HIXON

Like Advent and Epiphany, Christmas is a *season*, the shortest of the seasons of the Incarnation, but nevertheless a season that is twelve days in length. This year we will bring Christmas to a close on the twelfth night of the season. On Saturday, January 5, from 4:30 to 6:30 pm, parishioners and friends are invited to a joyful celebration that will include an informal evening prayer service and potluck supper in the parish house, followed by a burning of greens, marshmallow toasting and s'more-making outside, as weather permits. Come and bring a dish to share and let's all put Christmas properly to bed in preparation for the Feast of the Epiphany on Sunday morning, January 6.



A group shot of The Redeemerites at the Episcopal Community Services Foster/Kinship Care Christmas Party. More photos at: www.TheRedeemer.org/photos.

NEWCOMER PROFILE

PEOPLE MAKING THE REDEEMER THEIR FAITH COMMUNITY

INTERVIEWED BY KEN GARNER



This Month: **Andrew & Cheryl Masterman**

Zach 12 / Nick 10 / Ryan 7

Thank you very much for sharing your story with us about your entry into The Redeemer community.

How long have you been attending services here?

Since September 2012.

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

Andrew is a cradle Episcopalian and PK ("preacher's kid"), and attended churches in New York, Florida and Oregon. Cheryl was baptized Lutheran, and has been a spiritual seeker since young adulthood, studying many world religions. Together, Cheryl and Andrew have attended the following Episcopal churches: St. Alban's in Tokyo, Grace St. Paul's in Tucson, Emmanuel in St. Louis, and St. Martin's-in-the-Fields in Columbia, SC.

How did you find The Redeemer?

Andrew's mom did some research from her extensive background in the national church and we used the website.

What inspired you to attend?

We identified The Redeemer for its music program, and then we looked for a house in the neighborhood.

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

The music is beautiful, there is a great youth program, and the people are really interesting and welcoming.

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

Andrew travels a great deal with his job at SPS, a division of Precision Castparts Corp which makes titanium cast parts for the aerospace industry. He enjoys collecting and drinking Oregon wines as well as downhill skiing and Michigan football.

Cheryl manages the household and three boys' activities. She is a music therapist by training and enjoys joining the music programs at The Redeemer when she can. She also is an avid skier.

Zach and Nick are choristers, and Ryan is the towhead boy in the center of all the little girls in Cherub choir. Zach plays clarinet and squash (and lacrosse), Nick plays sax and soccer (and lacrosse), and Ryan plays piano and baseball.

The whole family loves winter trips together in Utah and chilling at our island house on Orcas Island in the San Juans north of Seattle.