

# FELLOWSHIP

## NEWCOMER PROFILE

PEOPLE MAKING THE REDEEMER THEIR FAITH COMMUNITY

INTERVIEWED BY KEN GARNER



This month Caroline, Christopher, Finn and Sam Manogue

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?**

We were “fair weather churchgoers,” having attended The Redeemer for the major holidays since moving to the Main Line in 2004. We became official members and began regularly attending in the fall of 2012.

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

Caroline was baptized at Christ Church in Short Hills, NJ, but raised Presbyterian until about age 12 when her family began attending Episcopal services at All Saints’ Church in Bay Head, New Jersey. Although Christopher was raised Catholic in upstate New York, Christopher and Caroline were married at All Saints’ Church, and both of their children were baptized there.

**What is your previous church experience?**

Caroline attended Yellow Frame Presbyterian Church in northern New Jersey as a child, and Christopher attended St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church in New Hartford, New York.

**How did you find The Redeemer?**

We learned about The Redeemer by word of mouth. Caroline grew up with a number of Bay Head and Mantoloking friends who had attended The Redeemer as children, including Kate Barnett Brown and Garrett Fleitas Gryska. Kate Brown was particularly effective in convincing us to attend regularly, and Tory

Kline has also been a wonderful inspiration.

**What inspired you to attend?**

Initially, our children, Samantha (9) and Phineas (7), inspired us to attend. As they began to ask increasingly interesting questions about God and the Bible based on things they were hearing on the school bus and at play dates, we realized that it was time for a more formal Christian education. Now that we are into the rhythm of attending each Sunday, we find the peaceful and contemplative time rejuvenating. It is like taking a deep, uninterrupted breath each week.

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

The services are beautiful, the music inspiring, the sermons thought-provoking, the church school simply wonderful and the people friendly, welcoming and interesting.

**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?**

We recognize that the worship, mission and fellowship programs that define The Redeemer are not possible without the support of its members—both in terms of time and money. This is why we decided to financially support the church.

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

We just celebrated our twelfth wedding anniversary and have two children: Samantha is 9 and in the fourth grade at Penn Valley Elementary and Phineas (a/k/a Finn) is 7 and in the first grade at Gladwyne Montessori. Caroline works full time as the chief legal officer and corporate secretary of Endo Heath Solutions, a Malvern-based specialty healthcare company. We are fortunate that Christopher is able to (and wants to!) stay home full-time with the children; he is not only an excellent husband, father and organizer of our home and schedules, but also a really fantastic chef. We all enjoy to read, travel, cook and eat (not necessarily in that order)...and much of our time is spent cheering the children on while they sail, dance, do karate, play piano, soccer, softball, or baseball, etc. Spending time together as a family is our favorite thing to do.

## CHRISTMAS BAZAAR & OUTREACH DINNER PARTY

BENEFITING COMMUNITY AND AREA NEEDS

... AND BUILDING OUR COMMUNITY AND FELLOWSHIP

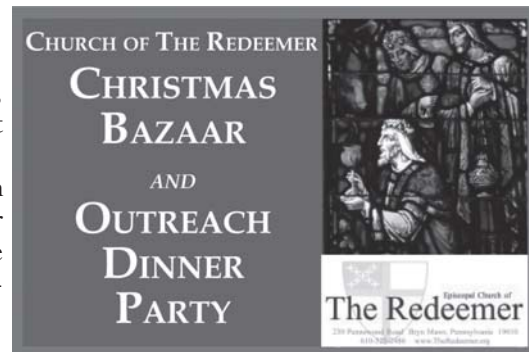
BY LESLIE SUSSKIND

Friday, November 22 and Saturday, November 23 mark two of the most important events of our parish year: events that bring us together both within our own, and also the greater community, and helping us raise funds to support our outreach commitments.

For months, many committees have been hard at work designing these special events, and we’re excited for you to experience everything that’s been planned.

**The Outreach Dinner Party** will be held at Merion Cricket Club on Friday, November 22, 6:30–10pm. This eagerly anticipated and highly popular dinner party is a wonderful start to the holiday season. Enjoy music, silent and live auctions, gift shopping, dinner, spirited bidding, holiday cheer and more. Will you be the winning bid this year for that vacation home or those sports tickets? Make sure to RSVP before the deadline. Return your invitation by November 18 or reply online at [www.TheRedeemer.org/bazaar](http://www.TheRedeemer.org/bazaar). (For any questions please don’t hesitate to contact Susan and Charlie Bloom, Kathleen and Norman McClave, and Carolyn and Sam Morris. For basket donations, please contact Betsy D’Angelo and Cheryl Masterman. For auction donations, please contact Carolyn Morris.)

**The Christmas Bazaar starts bright and early Saturday morning, at 9am on the 23rd.** Come for breakfast or stop in for lunch after your children’s soccer games—there’s something going on for everyone, all day long! Books, gifts, plants, Silent Auc-



tion of antiques, artwork and special finds, Attic Treasures, Toys, Vintage, and children’s events—these traditional Redeemer favorites are looking forward to your visit and sharing their wares with you.

We encourage you to bring friends and family to both of our outreach events. This festive weekend is a wonderful way to start the holiday season and spend time together. It’s also a great way to share the spirit and beauty of The Redeemer with others.

Would you like to help with the Bazaar? Volunteers are gratefully appreciated and warmly welcomed. Please fill out the online volunteer form or contact Leslie Susskind or Susan Van Allen. Donations for the Bazaar can be dropped off until November 17.

Special drop off Sundays are:

Nov 3, 8 – noon  
Nov 10, 8 – noon  
Nov 17, 8 – noon

If you have questions, please contact Melanie LeBoeuf.

We extend our thanks to all that have assisted with the events, particularly the committees, and to all who attend and support the events. With your help, we will have another successful year of fundraising for Outreach!

## UPCOMING DATE OF NOTE

### *An Evening of Nine Lessons & Carols*

*in the tradition of Kings College, Cambridge*  
Sunday, December 15, 7:30 pm

Join the choirs of The Redeemer as we present the beloved readings of the Nativity with anthems and carols to herald the advent of Our Lord’s birth.

Accompanied by Michael Stairs, Organist Emeritus  
Directed by Michael Diorio, Director of Music

A free-will offering will be taken  
All proceeds from this year’s Lessons & Carols event goes to support the Margaret Orr Memorial Choral Scholarship.

Childcare will be available