

The Church of the Redeemer

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Dear Friends,

On Sunday, October 18 we will celebrate the tenth anniversary of the Dedication and Consecration of Redeemer's new church. We hope you will be part of that celebration, and will join us for the stewardship brunch that follows.

In 1999, we offered heartfelt songs and prayers to God. We asked God to accept our dedication of the glorious sanctuary where we come to praise, ask forgiveness, know God's healing power, hear the Word, and be nourished by the Body and Blood of Christ. We prayed to be made one with Christ and one another here, and to be shaped, sustained and sanctified for His service. We asked the Holy Spirit to "be with us in the fullness of your power" in all the passages and times of our lives and, "at the last, when we are committed into the Father's hands."

In the intervening years, those prayers have been richly answered. Redeemer has grown in spirit, community, and strength. It continually renews us all, young and old, newcomers and old-timers. We thank God for the many blessings bestowed on us: for the first leaders and benefactors of the Chapel of the Redeemer; for those who by their gifts of time, creativity and treasure supported the building of the new church; for the architects and craftsmen who brought it to life; and for all who have sustained this parish and are sustained and renewed by it.

Whether you have been at Redeemer for only a short while, all your life, or somewhere in between, you are a vital part of our life together in Christ. We are grateful for your presence in this community of faith, and for all that you bring to it.

Over brunch on Sunday, October 18, everyone will have a chance to share stories of how Redeemer has enriched and shaped their lives. We ask that you keep our many and varied stories in mind as you consider your pledge of time, talent, and treasure to The Church of the Redeemer for the coming year.

Yours in Christ,

Susan Burns

The Rev. Susan Burns,
Rector

Cathy Ayers

Cathy Ayers,
Stewardship Chair



Tom McNaugher
Senior Warden