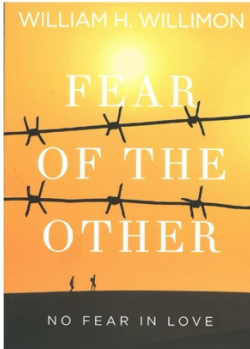




THE EPISCOPAL
CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER
BETHESDA, MARYLAND

O worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness; let the whole earth stand in awe of him.

This Week at Redeemer



Sunday Morning Regular Schedule returns!

8:00 a.m. - Holy Eucharist, Rite II

9:15 a.m. - Adult Forum & Nursery Care

10:30 a.m. - Holy Eucharist, Rite II and Sunday School

Adult Forum: William Willimon says: "My peculiar vocation is to help the church think like Christians so that we might be given the grace to act like Jesus." His book - **FEAR OF THE OTHER** - explores some ways that we can act like Christians in this modern society. On

Sunday we will play a video of his words and then have a discussion about how we feel. Willimon is no fan of current politics and its use of fear to gain control, but if you are leaning in any other direction, your input will be respected and most valuable. We want to see Jesus in this discussion!

Collect of the Day:

Father in heaven, who at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit: Grant that all who are baptized into his Name may keep the covenant they have made, and boldly confess him as Lord and Savior; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.

Readings for Sunday:

- Genesis 1:1-5
- Acts 19:1-7
- Mark 1:4-11
- Psalm 29

Serving: January 7, 2018

Sunday, January 7, 2018

Ushers: Jefferson Arrington, Michael Mershon, Mary K Young

Crucifer: Thad Arrington

Acolyte: Olivia Tyler

Lectors: Patricia Snowden, Bob Yates

Intercessor Meredith Griggs

Chalice: Chrissy DeFontenay, Ben Ivins, Patricia Snowden

Counters: Jane Dealy, Clark Downs

Coffee Hour: Patricia Snowden and others

The NEW Sign-up sheet for Coffee Hour is on the bulletin board in the Parish Hall. Please volunteer in this ministry of hospitality. Thank you! Also, see the sign-up sheet for Altar Flowers and add your special intention!



■ Prayer Requests

For healing:

Rick Abramson, Barbara Alterowitz, Ellen Boyle, Allison Chow, Joan Eisenstodt, Kiki Garo, Lucien Garo, Jr., Susan Ingraham, Olivier Jeanne, Peter & Beate Kendall, Rosalie Kerr, Clarice Leslie, Catherine Moore, Hal Palmer, Evelyn Paparelli, Mary Potter, Marylin Raisch, Rich Randa, Charlotte Ripa, Tom Rogers, Bill Ryon, Lynda Shepard, Anne Southard, Karen Stewart, Patricia Snowden, Ann Taylor, Beth Warner, Edward, Greg, Jerry, Jim, Katherine, Katie, Leslie, Mollie, Logan, Jay, and James.

In thanksgiving for birthdays: Kim Barrett is 91 on January 8th!

Parish Calendar

Wednesday, January 3

- No Education for Ministry this morning
- 9:00 a.m., Morning Prayer
- AA Meeting, Noon
- Holy Eucharist, Noon
- Youth Choir rehearsal, 4:30 p.m.

Thursday, January 4

- Balkan Dancers, 7:30 p.m.
- Adult Choir Rehearsal, 7:30 p.m.

Friday, January 5

- AA Meditation Meeting, 12:00 p.m.
- AA Meeting, 8:30 p.m.

Saturday, January 6

- Yoga, 9:30 a.m. (2-hr class)
- Epiphany Evensong & Nativity Scene display with Persian-theme reception

Sunday, January 7

- Holy Eucharist, 8:00 a.m.
- Adult forum & Nursery, 9:15 a.m.
- Holy Eucharist & Sunday School, 10:30 a.m.

Monday, January 8 - Office closed

- AA Meeting, 12:00 p.m.
- Taize, 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, January 9

· AA Meeting, 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, January 10

· Morning Prayer, 9:00 a.m.

· Education for Ministry, 9:30 a.m.

· AA Meeting, Noon

· Holy Eucharist, Noon

· Youth Choir rehearsal, 4:30 p.m.

Looking ahead:

Vestry Meeting, January 17

Annual Meeting, January 21

Coming Up at Redeemer

Epiphany Evensong, the Feast of Lights and Magi-themed party!

Saturday, January 6, beginning at 5:00 p.m.

January 6 is the Feast of the Epiphany, when we commemorate the visit of the Magi to the infant Jesus and the coming of the light of Christ into the world. This year we are introducing a new event to mark this special day in our lives as Christians. Our choirs will lead us in an Evensong service, which will include a special liturgy of the Feast of Lights, followed by a party in the parish hall.

You are all invited to help decorate the parish hall for the party by bringing your own nativity/manger scene from home to join in a display of many nativities. In honor of the Magi we will serve special Persian-themed food, in addition to our usual wonderful reception refreshments. Bring Persian food savory or sweet!

Honoring Chris Betts

Chris's last Sunday with us will be February 18th. Let's thank him for his ministry with us with a wonderful coffee hour. If you would like to help coordinate this event, please contact Amma Cricket (rector@redeemberbethesda.org). Also, to donate to a farewell gift, please make checks payable to Church of the Redeemer, with "Chris Betts" in the memo line. Donations must be received no later than February 11th.

Upcoming P.R.A.Y. Events (Potomac River Anglican/Awesome Youth)

Redeemer Youth Night

Wednesday, January 17

6:00 p.m. Dinner, 6:30-7:30 p.m. Program

What are the qualities of Friendship? What do we learn from Jesus about Friendship?

MLK Day of Service - P.R.A.Y. Event

MONDAY, January 16, 2018

9:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

On this day we will participate in a large, interfaith day of service experience at Washington Hebrew Congregation. The day will offer many ways to serve - from sorting clothes, to making family gift bags, to preparing food, packing fresh produce bags and assembling meal packages. All of this is donated to local groups and programs that serve the hungry, homeless, and others throughout the DC metro area.

Our group will meet at the main doors of the Temple at 9:30 a.m. for a brief check-in and make up work teams. We will then gather with all the other volunteers for a welcome and prayer with the rabbi before heading off to work stations. There will be opportunities to work in different

areas throughout the day. If all the work is finished before 1 p.m. we will assist with clean-up.

Parents should drop off and pick up youth at the front door of the Temple at 9:30 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. respectively.

There is no cost for this event - however, all are encouraged to do a closet purge after Christmas and donate your "used but in good condition" clothing to the event.

Friends are welcome to join us.

All those participating on the day should sign up no later than Wednesday, January 10.

[Sign up here!](#)

MUSIC AT REDEEMER 2017-2018 SERIES DETAILS ARE NOW ONLINE

Go to redeemberbethesda.org/music for more information.

New choir members always welcome - adults and youth

If you or someone you know would like to be in our choirs, contact Chris Betts at music@redeemberbethesda.org. New members are always welcome. Right now we are particularly looking for youth choristers (any grade school age), tenors, and basses, but we'll welcome sopranos and altos too!

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