



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



October 1 - Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

Rev. Ann Moczydlowski and Mr. Larry Gooch from Samaritan Ministries will be with us at 8 and 10:30, as well for Adult Forum. Rev. Ann will set the stage and introduce Mr. Gooch who will share his "success story" as the sermon this week.

The first of the four-part series on "How Episcopalians Read the Bible" is this Wednesday, September 27th. Confirmation candidates are included in this series, which makes the course inter-generational and should stimulate discussion! Potluck dinner at 6:00 p.m. and discussion at 7:00 p.m.

Sunday's Readings

Exodus 17:1-7

Psalms 78:1-4, 12-16

Philippians 2:1-13

Matthew 21:23-32



The Collect

O God, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Grant us the fullness of your grace, that we, running to obtain your promises, may become partakers of your heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

Serving: October 1, 2017

Sunday, October 1, Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

Ushers - Jefferson Arrington, Meredith Griggs, Rick Tyler

Acolyte - Olivia Tyler

Crucifer - Cara Price

Lector - Sally Pugsley (8:00), Meredith Griggs, Dawn Fairbanks (10:30)

Intercessor - Jo Barclay-Beard

Chalice - Tami McMinn (8:00), Patricia Snowden, Bill MacBain, Helen Zitomer (10:30)

Counters - Mary K Young, Clark Downs

Altar Guild - Ann Hartman, Tami McMinn, Helen Zitomer

Coffee Hour - Susan Grigsby, Callie Wang, Huda Kraske, Ann Taylor, Bert Spencer

The Sign-up sheet for Coffee Hour is on the bulletin board in the Parish Hall. Please volunteer for this ministry of hospitality. Thank you!

- Holy Eucharist, Noon
- Youth Choir Rehearsal - 4:30 p.m.
- Adult Education & Confirmation Class - 6:00 p.m.
(How Episcopalians Read the Bible, part 2)

Looking ahead

Redeemer Organ Celebration, October 8

Adult Education & Confirmation Class, October 11

Neighborhood Needlers, October 17

P.R.A.Y. Event, October 22

Coming Up at Redeemer

A Thank You from Bethesda Cares

Redeemer parishioners put together another good meal for the hungry in downtown Bethesda on Sunday, September 24. The generosity is deeply appreciated of the following parishioners for their contributions: Barclay-Beard and Brian Beard, Chrissy de Fontenay, Marie and Steve France, Kiki and Lou Garo, Susan Grigsby, Ben Ivins, Judy James, the Jennings-Mershon Family, Melinda Nelson, Patricia Snowden, Karen Stewart, and Helen Zitomer. Redeemer will next provide the Bethesda Cares dinner on Sunday, November 26th.

FOYER DINNER SIGN UP.

The sign up sheet for Foyer Dinners is available on the bulletin board. Please sign up through the end on September - this week! Groups will be able to set up their own schedule and meet as many times as they would like throughout the year (Oct-Sept). Groups may meet at a member's home, a restaurant, or at the church now that the stove/oven has been installed. Foyer Dinners are a great way to meet members of the congregation or renew old friendships. Please contact Brooke Anthony at 301-493-9368 or brooke_anthony@msn.com if you have any questions.

"I want to love You, Lord my God, obey Your voice, and hold fast to you." (Deut. 30:20a)

From our Fall Pledge Drive Co-chairs:

October is here again. It is time to request your financial commitment to the Episcopal Church of the Redeemer. We thank you for your help, not just for the programs and activities, and the upkeep of this beautiful church that we love so much! We also ask you to give thanks: for our life together in Christ, a Creator who loves us and calls us by name, and the Spirit who keeps us close together. The preliminary budget will be shared with the parish later in October.

Your generous pledges can be mailed, established on line through our website, or brought to church services on Sunday, November 5th. Please pray for the direction of the Holy Spirit to guide us in this endeavor. We hope for all parishioners' participation. Whatever you give is greatly appreciated. We pray that the Lord Christ bless and enrich you. If you have any questions, please contact Thomas McNaugher and Toyin Rose (Co-Chairs) at t1m47@georgetown.edu; toyinrose@aol.com

MUSIC AT REDEEMER 2017-2018 SERIES DETAILS ARE NOW ONLINE

Go to redeemberbethesda.org/music for more information.

Adult Forums

A new season of adult forums has started. This week we will be visited by The Rev. Ann Moczydlowski to give us an update on Samaritan Ministry, and an opportunity to go deeper with this organization. The title of her talk is "The Change: The work of Samaritan Ministry and Beyond". Please plan to join us!

As we continue on the Wednesday/Sunday journey, there will sometimes be linked topics. On Wednesday, November 8th, Karen Stewart will lead a discussion on Slavery, followed on Sunday, November 12th by Tom McNaugher "Winning the War, Losing the Peace: The Failure of Reconstruction". The full schedule is in the Parish Hall and in the upcoming Redeemer Spirit.

Lunch Groups

The Women's group is 'eating in' this month! Join us on Thursday, September 28, at noon in the Redeemer Parish

Hall. RSVP to Amma Cricket, who will be your host and cook, TODAY.

Neighborhood Needlers - New Fiber Arts Group

A group of fiber-minded folks in Bannockburn are meeting at Redeemer. Bring your crocheting, knitting, needlepoint embroidery, crewel, beading - whatever project you wish. The next meeting is on Tuesday, October 17, at 3:00 p.m.

Blessing of the Animals - October 1st at 5:00 p.m.

Bring the furry, feathered, scaly, or stuffed critters you call family for the annual blessing of the animals. We'll meet at the labyrinth, weather permitting. We bless animals in thanksgiving for the life and witness of St. Francis of Assisi, whose feast day is October 4th.

P.R.A.Y. Event: Hayride and Bonfire at Butler's Orchard, Sunday, October 22

6:00 - 8:00 p.m. (this does not include the time to get to and from the Orchard)

Cost: \$12.00 per person

The evening includes a Hayride around the farm for our first 1/2 hour ending at our bonfire site. There we will have hot dogs with all the fixings and s'mores around the bonfire. We'll head home about 8:00 p.m. Friends are always welcome. ALL need to register no later than Wednesday, October 18th, via this link:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeATwIWZn4K2xLntnHfpz5YCKZ1d65dYWTeLGnd4eUX0ymmFA/view>

Kairos Closing Ceremonies - Prison Ministry

To attend a Kairos Closing, you must submit forms for background checks. For the weekend at the Maryland Corrections Institute for Men, submit forms to Bill@macbain.us before September 30. (If mailing send them to 7 Hudson Street, Gaithersburg, MD 20877). Lisa MacBain will pack a lunch for everyone going to this or the Women's weekend closings and provide transportation to and from the prison. We'll leave Redeemer following coffee hour.

Redeemer Book Group

The Forty Rules of Love by Elif Shafak is a wise and joyous page turner that I hope many will read. It is a lyrical, imaginative novel by the most widely read female writer in Turkey and unfolds in two parallel narratives. In the 13th century, the Sufi poet Rumi encounters his spiritual mentor, a wandering dervish known as Shams of Tabriz and is transformed from a successful but unhappy cleric into a committed mystic and advocate of love. In present day Massachusetts, an unhappy American housewife, inspired by Rumi's message of love, finds the courage to undergo her own transformation. Blending East and West, past and present, the author provides a compelling dramatic and exuberant account of how love works in this world. The discussion will be on October 29th at the Kraske home in Bethesda. For more information, contact Huda Kraske at hqkraske@aol.com or call 301-656-2087.

The next book will be *The Alto Wore Tweed* by Mark Schweitzer. It's a liturgical mystery set in a small North Carolina town. Think Cabot Cove with an Episcopal twist!

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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