



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

This is Homecoming Sunday! Bring a dish to share and invite a friend to church.

E-mail survey

Thank you to those who have finished the survey. There is a 'blip' in the copy that we sent on Friday. On questions 5 and 7, there is no option of 'not applicable'. Please answer with the least number and enter NOT APPLICABLE in the comments box. Thank you so much!

Haven't done the survey yet? Go

to <http://survey.constantcontact.com/survey/a07efnzt02ajlntjvfy/start> right now! The survey closes on Friday. The staff is collecting this information in order to assemble a narrative budget for the pledge drive. Your response is valuable. Please complete the survey today.

Adult Forum

This Sunday will not feature a forum. Some interesting forums are coming up: Next week, Tom McNaugher will lead a discussion titled "once our enemy" about how countries, groups, or individuals come back together again after surviving being bitter enemies. Then three in a row about Pilgrimages: Cathedrals, the Holy Land and Camino de Santiago. Then Religion and Science with Pat Fitzgerald. Set your alarm and come and enjoy!

Flowers on the altar!

Memorials, dedications, anniversaries, special events in your life, or that of others can be remembered by dedicating the flowers each week. Sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board. Suggested donation is \$70.

Bannockburn Newsletter available in a new format

The neighborhood newsletter has made a significant transformation. It includes more information and features a column by our rector! To access the newsletter, log on to your Nextdoor account. A paper copy is on the Membership Board.

The Collect for the Day:

O God, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Readings for Sunday:

Proverbs 1:20-33

Psalm 19

James 3:1-12

Mark 8:27-38

Serving: *Sunday, September 16*

8:00am

Lector: Marie France

Chalice: Susan Grigsby

10:30 am

Ushers: Jefferson Arrington, Richard Tyler, Madeleine Tyler

Crucifer: Youth Choir

Acolyte: Olivia Tyler

Lectors: Rebecca Tucker, Huda Kraske

Intercessor: John Nelson

Chalice: Chrissy de Fontenay, Helen Zitomer, Bill MacBain

Counters: Cathy Arrington, Clark Downs



■ Prayer Requests

For healing: Rick Abramson, Frank Anderson, Ellen Boyle, Ken Clark, Allison Chow, Michael Curry, Joan Eisenstodt, Tom Foster, Kiki Garo, Lucien Garo, Jr., Eileen Hubbard, Olivier Jeanne, Judy James, Peter & Beate Kendall, Clarice Leslie, John Nickum, Evelyn Paparelli, Mary Potter, Marilyn Raisch, Rich Randa, Meagan Richardson, Charlotte Ripa, Carolyn Ross,

Bill Ryon, Claudia Serrin, Anne Southard, Patricia Snowden, Karen Stewart, Ann Taylor, Arnold Thackray, Jimmy Tinto, Hannah Tubbergen, Lois Vuolo, Beth Warner, Edward, Greg, Jerry, Jim, Katie, Leslie, Mollie, Logan, Eileen and Jay.

In thanksgiving for birthdays: Jim Winkler, John Harbeson, Charles Raisch, Michael Hart, Ben Betts, Mary Helen Carlson, Kente Usui

In thanksgiving for the birth of James Hardy Wang on September 6th. Son to Dongbo and Callie and little brother to Hazel-Marie. Congratulations!

In thanksgiving for the marriage of Jason and Danielle Parker on September 8th.

For those preparing for Baptism: Patrick Tucker, Anna McInturff, Henrik Peyer.

The flowers on the altar on Sunday are given for the glory of God by Patricia Snowden. Please sign up to dedicate the flowers in memory or in honor of a person or event.

Parish Calendar

Wednesday, September 12

Morning Prayer, 9:00am

Education for Ministry, 9:30am

AA Meeting, Noon

Holy Eucharist, Noon

Youth Choir Rehearsal, 4:30pm

Glen Echo Singers Rehearsal, 7:30pm at St. Dunstan's

Thursday, September 13

Adult Choir Rehearsal, 7:30pm
Balkan Dancers, 7:30pm

Friday, September 14
AA Meditation Meeting, Noon
AA Meeting, 6:30 pm
AA Meeting, 8:30pm

Saturday, September 15
Yoga, 9:30am

Sunday, September 16 - Homecoming Sunday
Holy Eucharist, 8:00am
Child Care, 9:15am
Holy Eucharist & Sunday School, 10:30am
"Bristol" Evensong, 5:00pm (rehearsal at 3:30pm)

Monday, September 17, Office closed
AA Meeting, Noon

Tuesday, September 18
Staff Meeting, 1:00pm
AA Meeting, 7:30pm

Wednesday, September 19
Morning Prayer, 9:00am
Education for Ministry, 9:30am
AA Meeting, Noon
Holy Eucharist, Noon
Youth Choir Rehearsal, 4:30pm
Glen Echo Singers Rehearsal, 7:30pm at St Dunstan's
P.R.A.Y. Kickoff, 6:30pm at St. Dunstan's,

Looking ahead:

Diaconal Ordination (Anne Derse), September 22, 10:00am at National Cathedral
Kid's Takeover Sunday, September 23
Bethesda Cares Dinner, September 23
Redeemer Book Group, September 23
Family dinner and game night, September 29
Embodied Truth Series, Tuesday evenings starting October 2
Blessing of the Animals, October 7
Newcomer/Inquirers Lunch, October 13

Coming Up at Redeemer

NEW FOR THIS YEAR!

PRAY Youth Group Redeemer & St. Dunstan's Youth
1st and 3rd Wednesday 5th through 12th graders

The opening night of this program will be on Wednesday, September

19 at St. Dunstan's. A dinner will be served at 6:00 p.m. followed by a program from 6:30-7:30 p.m. Our program for these nights will include games, community building, formation, and service. On the 1st Wednesday we will gather at Redeemer and on the 3rd Wednesday we will gather at St. Dunstan's. We hope that parents and youth will make a strong commitment to being present each time. With presence we can develop a strong youth community with our two congregations.



October 3 @ Redeemer | October 17 @St. Dunstan's

MONTHLY PRAY EVENTS

P.R.A.Y. is short for Potomac River Anglican Youth - our collaborative youth programs for 5th through 12th grade students and their friends. All of our events are open to friends! Five churches are currently active in our collaboration - St. Patrick's in DC, St. Dunstan's in Bethesda, St. David's in DC, Grace Church in Georgetown and Redeemer. We hold one event each month and each of these events includes prayer, community building, and an activity that is focused on fellowship, learning, or service. Every event will have an online signup form for an easy way to let us know who is coming.

Here are the details for our first event of the year:

Opening P.R.A.Y Event - Sunday, September 30

Six Flags America - Woodmore, MD

1:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

This event is open to all 5th-12th grade students. The sign-up deadline is Sunday, September 16. The cost is \$50 and includes the park entrance fee and bus transportation. We will leave and return from St. Dunstan's parking lot. Our travel time is included in the posted times for the event. Money will be needed for food and drinks. Some snacks and drinks will be provided for the time on the bus.

Please make checks payable to St. Dunstan's. Check may be brought on the day of the event. Tickets and the bus will be purchased based on those who signup. If you reserve a spot, you are responsible for paying for that spot.

Let's ride some roller coasters! Let's see if we can fill a BIG bus!

Sign up [HERE](#).

Tutors Needed!

For the fourth year, Church of Redeemer will lead the tutoring program at Oak View Elementary School in Silver Spring for third, fourth and fifth graders. Our mission: to enhance self-esteem by assisting with reading and comprehension. Children are primarily Latino where English is second language. I'm looking for volunteers; no experience is required. Please contact me for more information. **Jane Dealy** jdthree@mac.com 240-643-1563.

Redeemer Book Group

The book group is now reading *The Sympathizer* by Viet Thanh Nguyen. This is a remarkable and brilliant book narrated by a double agent and takes place in the US and Vietnam. It is a disturbing, fascinating and darkly comical book which starts with the fall of Saigon. The author teaches English and American Studies at the University of Southern California. The book will be discussed September 23 at 3:00pm at the home of Ron and Sally Pugsley, 8108 Hamilton Spring Road, Bethesda, MD 20817. For more information, contact Huda Kraske at hqkraske@aol.com. The book to be read next is the *Soul of America* by Jon Meecham.

Bethesda Cares Dinner, Sunday, September 23

Please sign up to contribute a dish to Redeemer's meal this month for our hungry neighbors. Entrees, side dishes, bread, drinks, and fruit are needed to provide a good meal. Please use the sign-up sheet in the Parish Hall or contact Marie France twweedfrance@gmail.com or 301-320-1534.

Special request:

Volunteers are needed to deliver the meal to Our Lady of Lourdes Church in downtown Bethesda, Sunday, September 23, at about 4 pm.

Family Dinner and Game Night

September 29, 2018 5:00 - 8:30pm

Bring a dish to share and a game to play. Please be sure the games are family-friendly please. Scrabble, Monopoly, cards, chess, checkers - they're all good. Twister and Cards Against Humanity - not so much. Want to help? Contact Cricket at rector@redeemerbethesda.org.

EMBODIED TRUTH: The Moral Teachings of Jesus

A joint offering of Church of the Redeemer and St. Dunstan's Church

Five Tuesday evenings in October, 7-8:30pm at St. Dunstan's, starting 10/2

People are making terrible claims for Christianity these days, suggesting that Jesus hates gays, loves guns, favors America, or wants you to be rich. What did Jesus actually say? We'll examine the Gospel records and discuss Jesus' true moral compass in five discussions.

While lies and selfishness are problems in every era, we face particular assaults on moral values today. Jesus not only speaks truth, he embodies truth in his words, his actions, and his willingness to give himself up even to death. We'll explore together what Jesus' teaching and his behavior tell us about:

- Truth and lies
- Wealth and materialism
- Racial bigotry
- Respect for human life (including abortion, capital punishment, and death with dignity)
- Oppression of human beings (women, LBGTQIA, poor people, others)
- Poverty
- Sexual ethics
- Nationalism and immigration
- Democracy and authoritarianism
- Economic Exploitation/wage slavery
- Nonviolence and pacifism

I will present a view of Jesus based in scripture, with ample time for discussion and debate. Jesus addresses some issues more clearly than others, and we'll be honest about that. I hope this will be a fulsome discussion involving both our parishes on these pressing issues. - **Rev'd Jeff MacKnight**

Coffee Hour - New Procedure

Our 'catch as catch can' way of scheduling coffee hour volunteers puts strain and stress on

the coordinator and the staff. To ease the stress and strain, please identify yourself to Bob Yates or Cricket Park as being willing to host coffee hour. You can specify that you will host on a specific date or dates, or you can be part of a rotating group that would host at least once every six weeks or so. Actually, the more volunteer families we get, the less often people need to host!

We'll then put together a coffee hour schedule just as we schedule other ministries. Susan Fitzgerald is working on a 'how-to' menu and will post that in mid-September. If the cost of hosting is holding you back, please know that there is money in the budget to help reimburse you.

At this time, we need volunteers for October.

Thank you for helping our ministry of hospitality.

Discernment in Spiritual Life- What's That?

With a call to form some small groups to build community, might this be a time to revive or re-imagine this practice? We could try virtual meetings to supplement quarterly face-to-face sharing, but ultimately, even the mode will be discerned by the group. Meetings would preferably not be at the 9:15 hour and would start mid-October.

If you are interested or expressed interest last spring and still want to explore this, please contact Marilyn Raisch, raischm@gmail.com or 202-340-6894.

Newcomers/Inquirers Lunch

Are you new to Redeemer? Curious about the Episcopal Church? Just want to sample the rector's cooking? Then mark your calendars for October 13th at 12:30pm. We'll get to know each other better and have the chance to ask questions about the parish and being Episcopalian.

Music at Redeemer - New website

Music at Redeemer tickets are now available online at musicatredeemer.org and on sale at Eventbrite. Arrive early to buy in person.

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