



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

### **The Back Pack Project!**

To my knowledge we have raised \$1800 so far with one week to go! After church on 8/4 I ordered supplies for our first 96 fully loaded packs! But we will definitely need volunteers for our packing party on 8/14. I also ordered an extra case of 24 empty backpacks because we still have some money left, and more coming in. Any money collected this week up through church this Sunday 8/11 will be used to order a final round of supplies from Amazon (because their 2-day shipping will get them here before we pack them on the 14th). We'll get whatever we can with however much money we end with. The deadline to donate is this Sunday 8/11 at coffee hour. Housing Up will take any extra supplies we have left after stuffing the backpacks, so no donation will go unused. Thank you all again for your generous support!

**Cynthia Fischer**

*Mark your calendars for the packing party & supper on Wednesday, August 14, at 6:30pm.*

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### **Collect for Sunday:**

Grant to us, Lord, we pray, the spirit to think and do always those things that are right, that we, who cannot exist without you, may by you be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

### **Readings for Sunday:**

Genesis 15:1-6

Psalm 33:12-22

Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16

Luke 12:32-40

*Serving: Summer worship assistants sign up each week.*

**Sunday's attendance: 65 (previous Sunday 70)**

### **■PRAYER REQUESTS**

**For healing:** Frank Anderson, Joan Eisenstodt, Kiki Garo, Lou Garo, Lucien Garo, Jr., Michael & Brendan Hart, Eileen & Robert Hubbard, Olivier



Jeanne, Judy James, Peter & Beate Kendall,  
Marty & John Long, Gary Lorenz, Clarice Leslie,  
Susan Moore, Mary Potter, Charles Raisch,  
Marilyn Rossie, Claudia Serrin, Anne Southard,  
Patricia Snowden, Bert Spencer, Mimi Stibinger,  
Karen Stewart, Ann Taylor, Jimmy Tinto, Michele  
C. Underwood, Lois Vuolo, Jerry, Eileen and

Anabel

**For those preparing for baptism:** Arthur Hoogerheide

**In thanksgiving for birthdays:** Michael Yehl, Colette Yehl, Lois Brown, Brian Beard, Callie Wang

**For safety while away:** Laura & Douglas Rose; Brenda, Tilla, & Kailah McAntony; Jim & Mary Packard-Winkler; Jianping Zhou & Jeanne Oliver; and for everyone away for the summer.

**The flowers on the altar** are given to the glory of God.  
Please sign up to dedicate the flowers to your special intention.

## Parish Calendar

### Wednesday, August 7

Morning Prayer, 9:00am  
AA Meeting, Noon

### Thursday, August 8

Collar & Coffee Office Hours at Sangamore, 10:00am  
Balkan Dancers, 7:30pm

### Friday, August 9

AA Meditation Meeting, Noon  
AA Meeting, 6:30 pm  
AA Meeting, 8:30pm

### Saturday, August 10

Yoga, 9:30am

### Sunday, August 11

Holy Eucharist, 8:00am  
Purl-y Gates knitting circle, 9:15am  
Holy Eucharist and Child Care, 10:30am  
Farewell Coffee Hour, 11:45pm  
Redeemer Book Group, 3:00pm

### Monday, August 12, Office closed

AA Meeting, Noon  
Contemplative Weeding, 6:00pm  
Labyrinth Walks, 7:00pm

**Tuesday, August 13**

Staff Meeting, 1:30pm

MS Group, 6:30pm

AA Meeting, 7:30pm

**Wednesday, August 14**

Morning Prayer, 9:00am

AA Meeting, Noon

Backpacking Party &amp; Supper, 6:30pm

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**Coming Up at Redeemer**

Join Susan Fitzgerald for **CONTEMPLATIVE WEEDING** every Monday evening from 6 to 7 and Patricia Snowden for the **Labyrinth Walks** from 7 to 8. To participate musically, please see Lisa MacBain.

**Holy Eucharist on Wednesdays are 'on vacation' until September. Please join us at 9:00am for Morning Prayer.**

**Farewell Coffee Hour - THIS Sunday, August 11th**

Claudia Serrin, a life-long member of Redeemer, is moving to Richmond, Virginia, to live with her daughters. August 11th will be her last Sunday with us. Please help us honor her faithfulness as well as that of her contemporaries Dee Beilstein and Kim Barrett with your presence at church that morning and at coffee hour afterward. Please contact Amma Cricket if you would like to help with the festivities.

Future Sundays need your commitment. Please sign up using the sign-up sheets in the parish hall.

**Redeemer Book Group - This Sunday - August 11 at 3:00pm****Yikes! It moved!**

Yes, the organ console has moved to the front of the church next to the pipes. Geoffrey requested the move to assist him in learning how to better play the instrument. And, to keep you up on how other things are moving: We've been asked by the consultant we hope to engage to read a book by Richard Giles called *Repitching the Tent*. If you would like the "Crick" Notes, please send an email to [rector@redeemberbethesda.org](mailto:rector@redeemberbethesda.org). Amma Cricket will send you a set of her notes from reading the book. The next step in our journey will happen before choir begins in September. Watch TWAR for more information over the next few weeks.

**Christian Formation for Adults**

For anyone interested in deepening their walk into scripture or their thinking about topical issues related to our faith, please consider joining Redeemer's Adult Forum this fall. Over 12 weeks, we will meet on Sunday mornings to learn more about the book of Luke, interspersed with three forums for conversation about topics of interest in our world today. Adult Forum runs from September 8th to November 24, from 9:15-10:15 Sunday mornings.

The first Sunday of each month will feature an individual topic of interest. September 8th will be a discussion led by Heather Tomlinson related to the experiences of refugees in a transit country. October 6th will be all about the history of Redeemer led by Melinda Nelson. November 3rd we will turn to a discussion relating to the LGBTQIA community in a Christian environment.

The bible study sessions will focus on the Gospel of Luke, aligning with the season's Sunday Gospels. The Focus Bible Study Series is the perfect guide for in-depth scripture study. Each book in the series includes informative commentary, thought-provoking study questions and experiential group activities that encourage a deeper understanding of scripture. The journal format has lots of space for writing and encourages personal reflection and spiritual growth. The book offers a wealth of ideas to promote prayer and journal meditations that build faith and understanding of the scriptures.

The books cost \$15.00 each and we have 10 copies in the office. We can get more if needed and we recommend that each participant have their own copy and add their own notes. This will entail reading about 15 pages each week.

Contact Heather Tomlinson at [hbt47@yahoo.com](mailto:hbt47@yahoo.com) or Bob Yates at [bob@bobyates.net](mailto:bob@bobyates.net) or speak to one of them on a Sunday.

### **Purl-y Gates Ministry**

Bring your needlecraft project to church! Knitters, crocheters, needlepointers - all are welcome. Want to learn how? We can teach you! We'll work on prayer shawls and other projects for persons in need. Come at 9:15am for stitching and fellowship.

### **A Gathering for Parents of Children and Youth - Sunday, August 25**

Parents of Children of all ages, please come and get to know each other better! Amma Cricket would like to talk with all of you about ministries with and for your kiddos. Sunday School teachers have been invited so that you may ask them questions about this year. We have some extra fun planned for the month of October!

If you aren't able to attend, please e-mail Amma Cricket ([rector@redeemberbethesda.org](mailto:rector@redeemberbethesda.org)) and she will fill you in.

### **Save the Dates! A Whole Month of Activities! *Leap of Faith***

October is the 20th Anniversary of the dedication of the new sanctuary.

We will celebrate the laying of the foundation stone in 1999 with a month of activities.

**Saturday, October 5** - an Evening at the Opera

with recent graduates of Curtis School of Music, Philadelphia

**Sunday, October 6** - Adult Forum "Leaps of Faith"

**Sunday, October 6** - Vivaldi *Gloria*, violin and oboe concertos

A Choral event similar to last November's Duruflé *Requiem*, with a combined chorus of Redeemer Choir and Bradley Hills Presbyterian Choir taking center stage, complete with the BaRock Baroque Orchestra.

**Saturday, October 12** - Dinner, Karaoke, & Auction

**Sunday, October 13** - Blessing of the Animals

**Friday, October 18-Saturday, October 19** - Youth Lock-in

**Sunday, October 20** - Youth Take-over Sunday & Compline (evening)  
**Sunday, October 27** - Leaping into the Future

**Commemoration of all Faithful Departed: All Souls' Day, Saturday, November 2, 2019**

With thanks to Friends of Music at Redeemer for providing the funding for John Rutter's *Requiem*, accompanied by instruments.

**MUSIC AT REDEEMER 2019-2020 SERIES DETAILS ARE ONLINE**

Go to [www.MusicAtRedeemer.org](http://www.MusicAtRedeemer.org) for more information and tickets.

**Samaritan Ministry Requests**

Please bring "walking food," and toiletry items to church and leave them in the marked box in the Parish Hall. Karen Stewart will deliver them to the Samaritan Ministry office where she volunteers. Thank you for your thoughtfulness.

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