

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 Mershon, Ben Ims, Adam Tucker, Nicholas Rychlik, Michael Yehl, Colette Yehl

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

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God by Jianping Zhou and by the Dwight Family in memory of Mai.

Please sign up to dedicate the flowers to your special intention.

Parish Calendar

Wednesday, July 31

Morning Prayer, 9:00am

AA Meeting, Noon

Thursday, August 1

Collar & Coffee Office Hours at Sangamore, 10:00am

Balkan Dancers, 7:30pm

Friday, August 2

AA Meditation Meeting, Noon

Al-Anon Meeting, 6:30 pm

AA Meeting, 8:30pm

Saturday, August 3

Memorial Service for Mai V Dwight, 10:00am

Sunday, August 4

Holy Eucharist, 8:00am

Purl-y Gates Knitting Circle, 9:15am

Holy Eucharist and Child Care, 10:30am

Monday, August 5, Office closed

AA Meeting, Noon

Tuesday, August 6

Staff Meeting, 1:30pm

AA Meeting, 7:30pm

Wednesday, August 7

Morning Prayer, 9:00am

AA Meeting, Noon

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.

Coffee Hour

This week it is NOT ASSIGNED! Our extra-hospitable coffee hours require your commitment. If the cost of hosting is holding you back, please know that there is money in the budget to help reimburse you.

Farewell Coffee Hour - 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.

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*. 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 or Bob Yates at 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@redeemerbethesda.org) and she will fill you in.

Redeemer Book Group - August 11

We are reading *March*, a novel by Geraldine Brooks, inspired by the 19th century classic *Little Women*. The story draws a close-up and graphic description of the horrors of the civil war and the disruption it brings to a particular family. It is beautifully written and provides a rich agenda for discussion which will take place on August 11 at the home of Huda and Jochen Kraske, 4550 North Park Avenue, Apt. 410, Chevy Chase, Md. 20815 (Phone: 301 656 2087).

After *March*, we will be reading *Just Mercy* by Bryan Stevenson.

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 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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