



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

Make an Advent Wreath for Your Home this Sunday!

Susan Fitzgerald and Susan Grigsby are gathering the materials for you to create a lovely Advent Wreath to take home. We are making them this week so that you have them for December 1st, which is the first Sunday in Advent. If you would like to make a wreath, please let Susan know: grahampubs@comcast.net.

Pledge Drive Update:

Thank you to all who have made a pledge. To date we have 64 Pledges for \$340,819, which is 73% of our budget goal. Thank you to all, especially our three new pledgers and the 28 families who have increased their pledge. Please bring pledge cards to church this week, if you haven't already made your pledge. Alternatively, you can mail your pledge card into the office, or fill out a pledge card on-line.

NOTE: In order to finish the year with a break-even budget, it is important that everyone's pledge is fulfilled. If you need to know how much is left on your pledge, please send Margaret an e-mail: accounting@redeemberbethesda.org. Thank you!

Collect for Sunday (Christ the King):

Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Readings for Sunday:

Jeremiah 23:1-6

Psalm 46

Colossians 1:11-20

Luke 23:33-43

Serving on Sunday

Worship Assistants

November 24, 2019

8:00 Service:

Lector: Susan Grigsby

Chalice: Tami McMinn

10:30 Service:

Ushers: Jefferson Arrington, Rick Tyler, Madeleine Tyler
Acolyte: Olivia Tyler
Lectors: Tom McNaugher, Cynthia Fischer
Intercessor: Randolph Court
Chalice: Justin Hess, Helen Zitomer, Ben Ivins
Counters: Clark Downs, Ben Ivins
Coffee Hour: Pat & Susan Fitzgerald

Sunday's attendance: 120 (previous Sunday 106)

■PRAYER REQUESTS



For healing: Frank Anderson, Charlie Beane, Joanna Biggar, Brendan Dealy, Joan Eisenstodt, Kiki Garo, Lucien Garo, Jr., Tom & Margaret Greene, Eileen & Robert Hubbard, Dana Hurley, Olivier Jeanne, Judy James, Peter & Beate Kendall, Alison Levine, John Long, Gary Lorenz, Clarice Leslie, Susan Moore, Laura Naimark, Mary Nelson, Marie Pessolano, Mary

Potter, Charles Raisch, Teresa Raj, Marilyn Rossie, Catherine Sands, Claudia Serrin, Anne Southard, Patricia Snowden, Bert Spencer, Mimi Stibinger, Karen Stewart, Ann Taylor, Jimmy Tinto, Michele Underwood, Lois Vuolo, Matthew Yard, Jerry, Eileen, David and Gus

In thanksgiving for birthdays: Thad Arrington, Katie Nickerson, Ellen Paulsen, Alicia Jennings, Anna McInturff

For safety while away: Laura & Douglas Rose; Brenda, Tilla, & Kailah McAntony

The flowers on the altar are dedicated to the Glory of God by Steve & Cricket Park in memory of loved ones. Dedicate flowers in memory of someone dear or in honor of someone special. Please sign up in the parish hall or e-mail office@redeemberbethesda.org.

Parish Calendar

Wednesday, November 20

AA Meeting, Noon
Holy Eucharist, Noon
Youth Choir Practice, 4:30pm
Vestry Meeting, 6:30pm

Thursday, November 21

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

Friday, November 22

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

Saturday, November 23

Yoga, 9:30am

Sunday, November 24

Holy Eucharist, 8:00am

NO Bible Study, 9:15am

Advent Wreath Making, 9:15am

Child Care, 9:15am

Holy Eucharist, 10:30am

Greening of the sanctuary, 11:45am

Monday, November 25, Office closed

AA Meeting, Noon

Tuesday, November 26

Staff Meeting, 1:30pm

AA Meeting, 7:30pm

Wednesday, November 27

AA Meeting, Noon

NO noon Eucharist today

NO Youth Choir Practice, 4:30pm

Thanksgiving Day, No Services here. Please attend services at the National Cathedral.

Focus on Luke Discussion - Open to all!

Our next and final session will be on December 8th! We will be interested in your thoughts about this kind of study. The material is endless and the methods can be discussed, but this is church, the study (conversation) of Christ in our lives! Homework: read Luke 22:1-23:49 and "The Death of Messiah" (pp. 144-155); complete questions, and read Luke 23:50-24:53 and "The Resurrection" (pp. 156-165); complete questions. Discuss "The Death of the Messiah" on December 8th.

Advent Quiet Day

God within the Body: Paradox & Incarnation

December 14, 2019, 9:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., (CHANGE OF DATE!)

St. Luke's Chapel space

This gathering will be a quiet morning of silence and reflection centered on Benedictine spirituality as explored by spiritual teacher Esther de Waal in *Living with Contradiction* (Morehouse, Harrisburg PA1987; reissued with new preface 1997/1998).

The morning will begin in a quiet circle and each hour will explore a different perspective on our quest for solace and strength:

- Healing: living with ourselves and others in acceptance rather than agreement;
- Discernment: listening to ourselves and others, no longer strangers to either but both stable and open to change;
- Self and the World: growing into who and where God is- where is that sacred center within us in all our complexity.

A sign-up sheet for participation in this Quiet Day has been placed on the coffee hour/flowers bulletin board in the parish hall. Suggested donation for the morning is \$10.00. Participants may bring a bag lunch to eat together at noon in the parish hall (yoga will be over by then) and a simple soup will be served. Please sign up by Sunday, December 1, 2019. Please email Marilyn Raisch at raischm@gmail.com with questions or to borrow copies of the book but it is not

necessary to read the book to participate.

Youth Events

We had a very exciting outing to the Cathedral this past Sunday exploring the Cathedral grounds. Some of the highlights were going up to the 7th floor and taking in the amazing views of the city, seeing the Chapel of Joseph of Arimathea where the ashes of Helen Keller, Anne Sullivan, and Matthew Shepard are interred, and finding some unique gargoyles.

Our next outing will be on **Sunday, December 15th**. We will be Caroling at the Oasis, a dementia community, in the Grand Oaks Assisted Living community. The community is located in Sibley Hospital, 5901 MacArthur Blvd NW Washington, DC 20016. We will meet at 2:45 pm at the entrance on the ground floor. As always there will be snacks provided! Keeping with the Christmas spirit the youths will have the opportunity to participate in a white elephant gift exchange. Please, no gifts over five dollars. This will be a fun way to kick off the Christmas season! I encourage parents to stay and participate in the fun. You can sign up here: <https://forms.gle/Umkqt6ZaeBkVu4W79>. Feel free to contact Yaa if you have any questions about this outing.

Redeemer's Youth meet on Wednesday, December 11, at 6:00pm for dinner and program. This month we're doing a potluck dinner and program. Please RSVP to rector@redeemberbethesda.org.

Outreach Ministry Needs

Manna Food Pantry welcomes your donations of protein-based foods, canned goods, and cereal. These items should be placed in the baskets in the Narthex.

Bethesda Cares requests toiletry items, especially disposable razors, and thermos-type containers. These items should be placed in the box in the Parish Hall marked Bethesda Cares.

2020 Summer Pilgrimage in England

Amma Cricket invites you to join her on a Cathedral Tour of northern England from June 17 to June 26. To receive an itinerary, please e-mail her at rector@redeemberbethesda.org. Land package costs are between \$1700 and \$2000 depending on how many sign up. Includes admissions to cathedrals, breakfasts most days and one farewell dinner. Upcharge for a single room. Air travel is not included. Deposits will be due by the end of December. Space is limited to 45 travelers. Not limited to Redeemer parishioners.

MUSIC AT REDEEMER 2019-2020

Go to www.MusicAtRedeemer.org for more information and tickets.

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