



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

REMINDER: Only ONE service this week at 10:30am.

### **Collect for Sunday:**

Father in heaven, who at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit: Grant that all who are baptized into his Name may keep the covenant they have made, and boldly confess him as Lord and Savior; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.



### **Readings for Sunday:**

- **Isaiah 42:1-9**
- **Acts 10:34-43**
- **Matthew 3:13-17**
- **Psalms 29**

### **Your Vestry Candidates for the class of 2023**

#### **Jo Barclay-Beard**

I, and my husband Brian, have been attending Redeemer and singing in the choir since 1999. Along with singing, I mentored the EfM program for 11 years. Additionally, I am a lay reader, something I enjoy immensely, and have served on the vestry many years ago and been a lay eucharistic minister. Redeemer is more than "church" to me; it is my extended family. I try to live by St. Theresa of Avila's words about Christ having no hands on earth but ours. I hate writing bios, even short bios, as I much prefer to remain in the background and just go about my business quietly. I have agreed to become your junior warden because even though this is God's house it is also our home and we need to be able to welcome visitors to a beautiful space - a space that remains in the background to the warmth and welcome of our congregation.

#### **Tim Yehl**

I am honored to be considered for a position on the Vestry. Redeemer welcomed our family on our very first day of Sunday Mass. At its core, Redeemer is a place of community, fellowship and service. It offers opportunities for centering and reflection for the adults and avenues of safe learning for our children as they begin to take on their faith journeys. Redeemer also has wonderful cultural offerings with its Music at Redeemer program, guest lecturers, book discussions, pancake supper and even karaoke night. Redeemer is a place with something for everyone.

However, these things don't happen on their own. I took note of Cricket's challenge during one



**For the repose of the soul of Thomas Foster, brother-in-law of Ben Ivins**

**In thanksgiving for birthdays:**

Kim Barrett, Doris Ninde, Geoffrey Platt, Arthur Hoogerheide, Josh Nickerson

**For safety while away:** Laura & Douglas Rose; Brenda, Tilla, & Kailah McAntony; and Noelle Voeltz and family

**Altar Flowers:** The 2020 Flower Calendar is on the Sign-Up bulletin board. Suggested amount for weekly flowers is \$75. Please sign up in the parish hall or e-mail [office@redeemberbethesda.org](mailto:office@redeemberbethesda.org).

## **Parish Calendar**

### **Wednesday, January 8**

12 - 1pm Holy Eucharist

No Youth Choir

6 - 7:30pm Youth Group

### **Thursday, January 9**

10 - 11:30am

Collar & Coffee, 4701 Sangamore Rd, Bethesda, MD

7:30 - 9:30pm

Adult Choir rehearsal

### **Friday, January 10**

9am - 12pm

Music Together

12 - 1pm

AA Meeting

6:30 - 7:30pm

Al-Anon Meeting

8:30 - 9:30pm

AA Meeting

### **Saturday, January 11**

Music Ministry Clean Up day

### **Sunday, January 12**

No 8:00am service

9:15 - 10:15am

Bible Study & Child Care

10:30 - 11:45am

Holy Eucharist & Call to order of the Annual Parish Meeting

12 - 1pm

Potluck Lunch and continuation of the Annual Parish Meeting

### **Monday, January 13**

Church Office Closed

12 - 1pm

AA Meeting

### **Tuesday, January 14**

1:30 - 2:30pm

Staff Meeting and Proofing

7:30 - 9:30pm

Singing Group in the sanctuary

7:30 - 8:30pm

AA Meeting

### **Wednesday, January 15**

12 - 1pm

Holy Eucharist

12 - 1pm

AA Meeting

4:30 - 5:30pm

Youth Choir rehearsal

### **Annual Meeting - ONE Service on January 12th**

In order for everyone eligible to be available to vote on the revised bylaws, we will have only one service this morning at 10:30am. Please mark your calendar so that you remember. The first part of the Annual Meeting will take place during the service. Amma Cricket opens the meeting, delivers her address, and calls for the motion to approve the bylaws revision after the Gospel is read. After the bylaws vote, she will recess the meeting until after the service is finished. We'll take up the rest of the agenda in the Parish Hall at coffee hour. Thank you for your cooperation and attendance.

**Susan & Pat Fitzgerald have agreed to be our 2020 Strawberry Festival Chairpersons. Thank you so much! They will need your time and talent in the spring.**

### **Foyer Dinners Are Back!**

Huda Kraske and Mary Helen Carlson have agreed to revive the Foyer dinner gatherings. Foyer dinners are groups of 6-8 people who meet at a member's house to get to know each other and have a good time. The host family provides the main meal (could be pizza!) and others bring appetizers, veggies, salads, desserts, and/or drinks. The same group meets no more than three times over 4-5 months. Then, these groups dissolve and new ones form. Keep the evening simple and fun. There is a sign-up sheet in the Parish Hall. Please sign up by January 12, 2020. For more information, contact Huda Kraske or Mary Helen Carlson.

### **Redeemer Book Group**

After such a serious book as *Just Mercy*, we will be reading a light book: *News of the World* by Paulette Jiles. If you are in the mood to laugh and cry and cheer, read this book, events of which take place in the aftermath of the Civil War. This is a stunning story of an old man, Captain Kidd, and a lost young girl who had been kidnapped by an Indian tribe. Captain Kidd is returning her to her relatives who lived outside San Antonio, Texas. The book will be discussed at 3:00 pm on January 26, 2020 at the home of Huda and Jochen Kraske, 4550 North Park Avenue, Apt. 410, Chevy Chase, Md. 20815. All are welcome. Our next book will be *The Hours* by Michael Cunningham

### **Outreach Ministries:**

#### **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.

## MUSIC AT REDEEMER 2019-2020

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

### *Let's see who reads to the end!*

Please keep Angela and Kevin Park in your prayers. Baby Park is due in August and the rector and her husband couldn't be more excited!

## e-mail issues

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