

WELCOME TO REDEEMER!

VISITING OR CHECKING US OUT TODAY? THINKING OF JOINING?

Redeemer may be the place for you. Here's how to connect:

JOIN US for coffee and hospitality after the 8:00 am and 10:00 am services.

ASK QUESTIONS and fill out a welcome card at our Welcome Table, found in the Narthex (Lobby). If you like, sign-up for a name tag. Greeters, ushers, clergy, and friendly people would love to talk to you!

CHILD CARE is available in the Playroom each Sunday beginning at 8:45 am through 12:15 pm. During 10:00 am worship services, children (**grades 1-4**) are invited to the Chapel for Children's Liturgy during the Liturgy of the Word and Godly Play (**age 3-6**) begins in the St. Joseph room at **9:45 am**. Both groups will return to services at The Peace. Also during the 10:00 am services, toddlers are in the St. Francis room (pick up in the Playroom) and infant care is in the Playroom. Questions about kid's programming? Text Minister for Families, Brad Gough @ 859-322-6468.

HOW CAN I GET INVOLVED? Contact Anny Stevens-Gleason, Minister for Incorporation and Worship: anny@redeemer-cincy.org or 513.321.6700



BECOMING BELOVED COMMUNITY RECOMMENDS:

THE COURAGE TO CONNECT LENTEN RETREATS - The work of being the body of Christ, includes being aware in our bodies of the trauma that is stored and triggered when we encounter one another. Our contemplative awakening has purchase on the social fabric we weave.

These two day retreats at Transfiguration Spirituality Center will weave together Christian contemplative awareness of how our bodies keep score, how race operates as a floating signifier, tied to body-memory, how we might experience liberation from "the patterns of this world" through the "renewing of our minds" (Romans 12:2), how we might "have the same mind that was in Christ Jesus," and how antiracism is a spiritual practice.

Women's Retreat

February 7-8

Registration Deadline: January 26

Men's Retreat

February 28-29

Registration Deadline: February 16

Register now at redeemer-cincy.org/lenten-retreats

WEEKDAY SERVICE

Wednesday: 6:00 pm Eucharist

WEEKLY BIBLE STUDY

DOWNTOWN BIBLE STUDY: Wednesdays, 12:00 pm, Diocesan Offices.

Thoughtful reflection on the upcoming Sunday scripture readings. (Returns Wednesday, January 8.) To learn more, please email philip@redeemer-cincy.org.

THURSDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY: Thursdays, 10:00 am, Parlor.

Thoughtful reflection on the book of Genesis. (Returns Thursday, January 2.) To learn more, please email philip@redeemer-cincy.org. Childcare is provided.

We strive to share our mission of radical welcome and hospitality with the world through photos and video. From time to time we document church events for use in publications, website, and social media. By your presence, you grant Redeemer unrestricted rights to use and publish, transmit or telecast images, and or likenesses that may be taken of you for use in communications related to the church. Please contact Nancy Schwartz, Minister of Communications, with any questions at 513.321.6700 or nancyschwartz@redeemer-cincy.org.

PASTORAL CARE: Redeemer Clergy are here to support you pastorally. If you are, or will be, in the hospital or are confined to home, please be in touch with us. We will be glad to arrange a visit, bring communion to you, and/or speak by phone with you. Call the church office at 513.321.6700 during business hours. If your need is urgent after business hours, call the office and follow the prompts for emergency circumstances.

PASTORAL SERVICES

Baptisms are scheduled throughout the year on specific Sundays (dates available at redeemer-cincy.org). Contact Minister for Worship and Incorporation, Anny Stevens-Gleason.

Blessings of Commitments and Marriage require consultation with clergy (see contact info, below). For arrangements and set-up requirements, contact one of our Wedding Coordinators, Sheila Maxwell, max04@fuse.net, Kathe Kissel, kckissel23@gmail.com.

Funeral and Memorial Service planning may be done in advance or when a death is reported to the church. Contact the Rev. Joyce Keeshin.

Communion for the sick or home-bound (or pastoral visits to the hospital) are arranged through the Rev. Joyce Keeshin.

To add a name to the prayer list, you may fill out one of the prayer request cards found in the narthex (lobby) and drop it in the plate, or contact the Rev. Joyce Keeshin.

THE CLERGY AND STAFF OF REDEEMER ARE HERE FOR YOU

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Ryan Andrews, Michael Firesheets, Brett Flodder, Chuck Hardy, Kate Haralson,

Alan Henning, Megan Johnson, Kyle Roberts, Andrea Rogers,

Betsy Schram, Jim Votaw, Kelli Wisecup



THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER

The First Sunday after Christmas
December 29, 2019



Inspired

SERVE, JOIN A GROUP, BRING A FRIEND

As the Episcopal branch of the Jesus Movement, we follow the Way of Jesus. His way is the Way of Love, and that love has the power to change lives and change the world.

At Church of the Redeemer, to be engaged in the life of the community, we encourage you to live by *The Way of Love: Practices for a Jesus-Centered Life*.

During the season of Epiphany, we invite you to take time exploring *The Way of Love*. Sit with the words we will share weekly from scripture and from the Book of Common Prayer, pray over each practice, reflect and discern where God is calling you. Remember that no one follows Jesus all alone. The ideal way to learn *The Way of Love* is in a community of love, support, and accountability. We pray you find that here. Join us.

Welcome to Redeemer! We have a vision of a worshipping community that **knows Jesus and grows in love**. A community that is **united** in relationships of holy connection and communion. A community **growing** with people of every age, race, gender, sexual orientation, socioeconomic situation, and political persuasion. A community **inspired** by our understanding of why we are Christian, why we are Episcopalian, why Redeemer matters to us. A community **sent** into the world, rooted and grounded in love, to serve all people with humility, compassion, and faithfulness. Come, join us on the journey.

DECEMBER 29: THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS

8 am RITE I EUCHARIST (Sanctuary)

Sermon: The Rev. Mitchell Bojarski
In the traditional language of *The Book of Common Prayer*.

10 am RITE II EUCHARIST (Sanctuary)

Sermon: The Rev. Mitchell Bojarski
On the organ we will hear pieces from Pietro A. Yon, G Hancock, and J. S. Bach.

10 am THE BANQUET (Great Hall)

Sermon: The Rev. Philip DeVaul

5 pm COCOA AND CAROLS (Chancel)

Officiant: The Rev. Philip DeVaul
Lessons, Carols, and hot chocolate in a casual setting.

NEW PARISHIONER BUILDING ACCESS CODE: : Our annual Parishioner Access Code change will take effect on **January 1, 2020**. If you are someone who uses this code to access the building, please contact your Ministry Head for more information or Director of Building & Facilities Operations, Mary Jo Schottelkotte, maryjo@redeemer-cincy.org.



COCOA & CAROLS – Join us **this evening at 5:00 pm** in the chancel (the area where the clergy and choir sit) for our second annual Cocoa & Carols service. All are welcome as we celebrate the First Sunday after Christmas in a more casual and cozy setting with hot drinks, scripture, and song!

EPIPHANY EUCHARIST – On **Monday, January 6 at 12:00 pm** in the chapel we will celebrate the Feast Day of the Epiphany of our Lord Jesus Christ with a Holy Eucharist service. Plan to join us.



THEOLOGY CIRCLE JANUARY MEETING – The Theology Circle will continue their discussion of Barbara Brown Taylor's "Holy Envy" **Sunday, January 5 at 6:00 pm in the Library**. All are welcome. . For more information, contact Ed Ewbank, edewbank@yahoo.com.

MARTIN TOWNSEND TO VISIT IN JANUARY - The Rt. Rev. Martin G. Townsend will join us, along with his wife, Barbara, at Church of the Redeemer for the weekend of **January 17-19**. Townsend retired as the bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Easton (Maryland) in 2001. He then served as Interim Rector at Redeemer prior to the calling of the Rev. Bruce Freeman. More details on this visit to come.

PARKING: Parking is on the street. Please pay attention to the signs indicating proper parking zones. Handicapped parking is available in the front on Erie, in the back parking lot, and on the south side of Raymar.

ACCESSIBLE REDEEMER: The front entrance has a ramp and there is an elevator inside the back door and to the left. Accessible restrooms are located in the Lobby inside the front entrance. The nave is equipped with a hearing assistance system. Large print bulletins are available for worship at 10 am in the nave. Please ask an usher for assistance.

JANUARY 5: THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS

8 am RITE I EUCHARIST (Sanctuary)

Sermon: The Rev. Philip DeVaul
In the traditional language of *The Book of Common Prayer*.

9 am RISE & SHINE (Parlor)

Join us for discussions that are relevant to our lives through the lens of a current topic and scriptural references. Interested in weekly Rise & Shine email updates? Contact Brad Gough, brad@redeemer-cincy.org.

10 am RITE II EUCHARIST (Sanctuary)

Sermon: The Rev. Philip DeVaul
Redeemer's Adult Choir offers traditional Christmas anthems. On the organ we will hear pieces from P. Dandrieu and J. S. Bach.

10 am THE BANQUET (Great Hall)

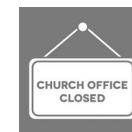
Sermon: The Rev. Mitchell Bojarski

11:15 am FORUM (Great Hall)

Inspired to Serve: engaging in the Way of Love - The Rev. Philip DeVaul will lead us on deeper look at TURN: *Pause, listen and choose to follow Jesus*.

5 pm CELTIC EUCHARIST (Chapel)

Sermon: The Rev. Philip DeVaul
An intimate, contemplative service, celebrated in our beautiful chapel.



OFFICE CLOSED FOR HOLIDAYS - The church office will be closed **Monday, December 23 through Wednesday, January 1** for the Christmas and New Year holidays. We will re-open on Thursday, January 2, 2020. Merry Christmas! Happy New Year!

MORNING PRAYER CONTINUES - Please join us weekly on **Tuesdays and Thursdays at 7:30 am** in our beautiful chapel for Morning Prayer.



CARNIVAL AND CHILI COOK-OFF - All are invited to Redeemer's annual indoor Carnival and Chili Cook-Off on **Saturday, January 11 from 5-8 pm**. This one of a kind event includes carnival games, prizes, a bounce house, and lots of delicious chili! Want to volunteer to run a carnival game? Want to enter the Chili Cook-Off or provide a side or dessert? Visit redeemer-cincy.org/blog/carnival-and-chili-cook-off/ and let us know!

THIS SUNDAY @ REDEEMER: Available on our website: Copies of the worship bulletins and announcements for the upcoming Sunday. These are part of our weekly posts, www.redeemer-cincy.org/latest-posts and links to the page are also be available in the weekly eNews.



MARDI GRAS CELEBRATION: Save the date for our first Mardi Gras Celebration on **Shrove Tuesday, February 25 at 6:00 pm in the Great Hall**. Join us for games, prizes, and fun for all ages! New Orleans style dinner will be served along with pancakes for kids. There will also be a raffle to benefit Redeemer youth mission work. Don't miss what promises to be an annual community event!

SAVE THE DATE!

Look for more details on these events on our website: redeemer-cincy.org.

January 12, Sunday: Compline. 9:00 pm. Nave/Sanctuary.

January 18, Saturday: Feast Day: The Confession of Peter. 6:00 pm. Chapel.

January 25, Saturday: Second Half Potluck & Trivia. 6:00 pm. Great Hall.

February 3, Monday: Stephen Ministry Open House. 5:30 pm. Parlor.

February 16, Sunday: Annual Parish Meeting. Great Hall. Following Combined Worship at 9:00 am.

February 16-22: Interfaith Hospitality Network (IHN) Hosting Week.

February 25, Tuesday: Shrove Tuesday/Mardi Gras.

February 26, Wednesday: Ash Wednesday. 7:00 am, 12:00 pm, 7:00 pm.

March 5, Thursday: Lenten Evensong. 7:00 pm. Nave/Sanctuary.

March 16, Monday: Refresh Your Soul 2020. 9:00 am - 3:15 pm. Cintas Center.

March 29 - April 4: Interfaith Hospitality Network (IHN) Hosting Week.

April 5, Sunday: Palm/Passion Sunday.

April 6-9: Holy Week. Eucharist Daily, 7:00 am, 12:00 pm, 7:00 pm.

April 10, Friday: Good Friday.

April 11, Saturday: The Great Vigil of Easter.

April 12, Sunday: Easter Day.

April 19, Sunday: Inquirer's Classes begin.

April 26, Sunday: Stephen Ministry Open House. 12:15 pm. Library.

May 31, Sunday: Pentecost Parish Picnic.

June 7-14: Interfaith Hospitality Network (IHN) Hosting Week.

June 14, Sunday: Bishop Visitation.



HOLD YOUR MEAC DONATIONS - Madisonville Education and Assistance Center (MEAC) thanks you for your donations of food, clothing, and personal care items this year. Please note that MEAC has suspended this program for the rest of the month and will begin accepting donations again in the new year. The collection bins will return to the reception area once donation collection has resumed. Thank you for holding on to your donations until then.

REMEMBER TO WEAR YOUR NAMETAG - As we gather together as one body for worship today it is important to wear your nametag to help us all remember names or just meet for the first time. Don't have a nametag yet? Sign-up for one in the narthex (lobby). It will be ready for you next Sunday on the board next to the sign-up sheet.



DEMENTIA INCLUSIVE CINCINNATI TRAINING - This training, provided in cooperation with ERS offers two options: **Wednesday, January 15, 6:30 pm - 9:00 pm** or **Thursday, January 16, 11:30 am - 2:00 pm**. Both times include a meal. Sign up online at: redeemer-cincy.org/dementia-inclusive-training/.