



Life at Redeemer

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Welcome Back on a Sunday

I greet you this morning with the same warmth that I did before the virus as we hold our first In-Person Sunday Worship since March 15. Welcome back! We want this to be a good and positive spiritual experience for you. We will guide you through some of the changes we made to the services that keeps us in compliance with the CDC guidelines. Please note that only our cantors will sing and that they wear their masks at all times. Vicar Hephzibah and I will also keep our masks on unless we have speaking parts. We remain in the altar area and at a safe distance from you. We are blessed to be together once more.

Job Opening

Redeemer is looking to fill a part time position at the church that became vacant when James DeGrafft Jr. departed to serve in the USMC Reserves. The position is Facilities Host and would involve building safety and security, helping groups that meet in the church and assisting with our COVID-19 precautions. The schedule would be in the evenings, Monday through Friday, with the potential of some weekend hours to assist with special events. It would involve approximately 20 hours per week, but initially it would be less hours as use of our building starts to increase. If you are interested in the position or know of someone to recommend, please contact the office at church@redeermclean.org.

Scholarships Available

There are scholarship funds available for students in the congregation who are pursuing studies in music and/or dance or to assist with the student's spiritual growth. These funds became available through a special gift given to Redeemer from charter members of the church. If you are interested, please send an email to church@redeermclean.org with the details of your specific situation and we will respond back to you as soon as possible.

Redeemer Renaissance Day Program 2020-21

Children in grades K-6 will be assigned to small groups to participate in scheduled virtual FCPS classes and complete schoolwork in a structured classroom environment. Program hours are Monday - Friday 11:45 AM - 5:45 PM and will follow the FCPS 2020-21 calendar. Staff will provide differentiated support for students completing schoolwork and guide social emotional development. After schoolwork is completed, children will remain in their groups to participate in programmed reading, STEM, and art projects as well as sports and games. Optional private music lessons taught by professional musicians are offered. Activities will take place outdoors and indoors, As with our Summer Camp 2020, we will continue to follow guidelines from local health officials, the CDC, VA Department of Health and the VA Department of Social Services. Space is limited. Please visit our website for more information or to register! [Redeemer Renaissance Day Program 2020-21](#).

September Highlights

- We will maintain our Sunday worship schedule of 9 am (Traditional) and 11 am (Contemporary)
- Parents will receive information on Faith Formation (Sunday School, Confirmation, and High School classes) and ways to connect our youth this fall
- Wednesday AM Bible Studies will resume on September 9 at 8 am (via Zoom)
- Wednesday PM Bible Studies will resume on September 16 at 7:15 pm (via Zoom)
- Resources will become available through the work of "For Love of God and Neighbor: Anti-Racism Ministry Team"

Message from SHARE

Please do not tire of giving as you are able. The cart outside Door #10 (on the Westmoreland side of the church) is always available for food deposits. During our office hours (Monday – Friday) (9 am – 5 pm) one of our staff members will bring the food inside. A staff member also stops by on Saturday and Sunday to pull additional items inside the building. Thank you for being such a generous people!

List of items for SHARE include:

- Shelf stable milk products (Horizon, Ensure...)
- Cooking Oil
- Condiments
- Laundry Detergent
- Liquid Detergent
- Diapers
- Baby wipes
- Canned fruit
- Canned vegetables
- Pasta Sauce
- Soup
- Canned protein (tuna/chicken/lunch meat)
- Diced tomatoes/ tomato sauce
- Pasta sides and meal helpers

We have been asked for smaller portions so they can easily be packed into boxes. Thank you for your generosity.

Redeemer's Current Financial Status

In response to requests, we are providing you with an update on our year-to-date finances as of the end of July.
\$ 464,086 Offerings, Contributions and Other Revenues
\$ 559,516 Actual Expenses (Versus Budget of \$697,164)
-\$ 95,430 Shortfall Year-To-Date as of 7/31/20
Your continued support of our mission together at Redeemer is greatly appreciated

OUR MISSION: SHARING CHRIST'S LOVE WITH THE GREATEST NUMBER OF PEOPLE

Please Remember to Pray....

For Healing:

Audrey
Barbara
Bette
Patrick Blakey
Spencer Blessing
Bob
Keith Bornmann
Lisa Buchanan
James Cassell
Vic and Michael Cavallo
Dan
Donald
Diane Dubois
Al Etzler
Linh Ferguson
Katie Gorsline
Eve Green
Joyce Gleason
Don and Rose Jordan
Karen
Shenafa Kenney
Matt Kutscher
Audrey Markwart
Ramona DeRita-Martin
Edna Mae DiVitto
Coletta Miller
Michael Miller
Tony Mineri
Carmen and Frank Ortiz
Elizabeth Reed
Rev. Robert Richter
Rick
Karin Ryding
Shawn
Teddy
Don and Verna Chong-Tsunafuju
Roger Ubben
Barbara and Richard Utyro
Paula Youngblood
Jack Zimmerman

For Comfort in Death:

The family and friends of Maureen Budde
The family and friends of Roman Gebrekidan
The family and friends of Richard Skelton
The family and friends of Christy Stocks
The family and friends of Ted Thayer

For Comfort and Peace:

Bertha
The friends of Arlene Raynor
Mary and Edward
Susan
Ray Tiernan

For Comfort and Strength:

For those suffering from mental illness
Gwen Brown
Edward and Family
Sarah and Jenny
Sissy, Rebecca and Rachel
Julie Leonard
Carol and Ron Stocks

For Safety:

For all refugees
For all our military and diplomatic people throughout the world
For all serving as police officers
Captain Daniel Bader
Jon Walsh
Brandon White

Prayer requests for those healing from the coronavirus:

Beau
Bria, Christopher, Jacob, John and Manny
Francis (recovering)
Larry Goodwin
Graveson Family
Mr. Guadarrama (Sharron)
Evelyn Mastakas
Steve and Mary
Patricia Short

Prayer requests for those caring for patients suffering from coronavirus:

Dominic, Elizabeth and Ian
Leslie Kuhagen
Karin Kutscher
Guilia Manfredini
Sharon
Tara and family

Special prayers for a vaccine to counter the virus, successful therapeutic remedies, and plentiful medical supplies across the nation.

Special Prayers for our nation as we seek positive ways to promote change.

Special Prayers for the unemployed and the underemployed.

Prayers for all those facing persecution and ethnic cleansing atrocities.

Prayer List Note:

*To add names to this list you may email or telephone the church office. We want all our prayers to be current —so **please keep us up to date on those whom you have added to our prayer list.** With the exception of safety prayers for our military, we will remove names after one month unless we hear from you. We are prepared to pray indefinitely.*