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## FROM THE ASSISTANT RECTOR

Please don't yawn! Please don't skip to the next page! I know that the word *pastoral* is not flashy. It is not romantic. It rarely gets front billing in church newsletters, if it is mentioned at all. More often than not, it takes place quietly behind the scenes.

How would *you* define the word pastoral? It obviously has its origin in the world of sheep and shepherds, green pastures and still waters, but it has taken on other meanings in the context of the church. Many denominations (and non-denominations) call their leaders "pastors." This suggests that the leader's vocation is to tend the flock, to lead, listen, and love as a shepherd does. Pastoral care is indeed an important part of what we clergy do at Redeemer. And like these other pastors, we also have other roles: we lead worship, evangelize, preach, teach, and reach out to those beyond our walls.

### pas-to-ral

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adjective

1. (especially of land or a farm) used for or related to the keeping or grazing of sheep or cattle.  
"scattered pastoral farms"
2. (in the Christian Church) concerning or appropriate to the giving of spiritual guidance.  
"pastoral and doctrinal issues"  
synonyms: [priestly](#), [clerical](#), [ecclesiastical](#), [ministerial](#)  
"his pastoral duties"

noun

1. a work of literature portraying an idealized version of country life.  
"the story, though a pastoral, has an actual connection with the life of agricultural labor"

But pastoral care is about much more than what the clergy do. It is a network of caring laypeople, members of our congregation who tend the flock by taking care of one another. They pray regularly, send cards, deliver meals, bake cookies, knit prayer shawls and bears, visit and take communion to the sick. Others organize and host funeral receptions. There are those who welcome newcomers to the Redeemer flock by greeting them, hosting receptions, and offering tours of the building. Partnering with our Stewardship Board, parishioners have also assisted in programs offering end-of-life and estate planning.

These are "official" pastoral ministries of the church, but there are also countless ways that you all care for one another. I am often moved by stories that I hear, of people offering meals, rides, companionship, support, and listening hearts to one another. This intersects all aspects of our life together: the staff, liturgical ministries, mission and outreach, education, and stewardship. Together we tend the flock, serving one another. Our pastoral ministries are based on the understanding that the work of the church is about much more than saving souls. We support and uplift one another in tangible, concrete ways, seeking wholeness in body, mind, and spirit.

Most of you have heard by now that Becca Morehous, RN has been called to serve as Redeemer's new Health & Wellness Minister. She will carry on the work of Betsy Babb, serving as our liaison with Episcopal Retirement Services' Parish Health Ministry which provides resources, training, and support for programs. She will coordinate services such as blood pressure screening, flu shots, and our annual blood drive. She will also plan and organize special programs on topics of Health & Wellness. What would you be interested in? A program on Alzheimer's? A caregivers support group? A mindfulness workshop? Cooking healthy meals for busy families? Living a balanced life? Becca welcomes any input or suggestions you might have for new programming. Much of her time in her early months will be



familiarizing herself with both the needs and the resources in this congregation. Be sure to introduce yourself to her and let her know any ideas you might have.

It happens that May 7<sup>th</sup> was Good Shepherd Sunday. In John 10, Jesus tells us all about the shepherd's relationship with the sheep. There is a deep relationship of mutual love. We are, in so many ways, sheep in need of a shepherd, and it is good to know that Jesus calls each one of us by name. However, in the life of the church, we all play both the role of the shepherd and the sheep, both as caregivers and care receivers, as those who serve and those who are served. It is a give and take, a dance of sorts. And it is an essential part of being the church.

Below is a list of the ministries that fall under the Pastoral Board at Redeemer. See the church website for detailed descriptions and contact information. Note that these are available to all, both as givers and receivers. We depend on you, not only to volunteer your time and talents for these ministries, but also to let us know if you or someone you know could benefit from them. And, we always welcome suggestions for new ministries and programs. If you have any questions, see the contact information for individual ministries on the website, or contact Cynthia Blocksom, Pastoral Board Chair (cynthiablocksom@gmail.com), Becca Morehous, Parish Health & Wellness Minister (becca.hpRedeemer@gmail.com), or myself (nancy.hpRedeemer@gmail.com).

Throughout the Easter season, we have been exploring the early days of the church through the Acts of the Apostles and the epistle of 1 Peter. Many say that, empowered by the Holy Spirit, the spread of early Christianity was fueled by the ways they cared for others, within and outside their faith. 2<sup>nd</sup> century Christian Tertullian wrote in awe of the Christian community. "Look!" he said "Look how they love one another!" Maybe it's not in the headlines, but I suspect that all the ways we love and take care of one another is the fuel that sustains the church in the world today, as it did then. Thank you for all the ways that each one of you is a pastor!

Blessings,

Nancy

#### **MINISTRIES OF THE PASTORAL BOARD:**

Cardlink, CORE, Funeral Receptions, Health & Wellness/Parish Health Ministry, Main Dish, Healing Prayers, Intercessory Prayer Group, Knitters, Lay Eucharistic Visitors, Newcomers (Greeters, Mentors, Receptions, Welcome tours), Parish Picnic, Parish Visitors, Goodie Guild, Transportation Assistance.

## **rites of passage**

Since the last publication of this column, we have recognized the following milestones in our parish life:

### **BAPTISMS**

Evelyn Mae Rudy, *daughter of Stephanie and Eric*  
 Calvin Patrick Schleker, *son of Kelly and Patrick*  
 Daniel Boone Startzman, IV,  
*son of Laura and Daniel III*  
 Carolina Emilia Castaño,  
*daughter of Sarah and Alejandro*  
 James Francis Riddle, *son of Stefanie and David*  
 Knox Wayne Taylor, *son of Alyssa and Nathan*  
 Scarlett Helen Taylor, *daughter of Alyssa and Nathan*

### **DEATHS**

Walter Johann, *husband of Emily Johann*  
 Carolyn von Allmen, *mother of Dan von Allmen*  
 Brenton Ogle, *father of Elizabeth Ogle*  
 Bruce Fisher, *former member of Redeemer*  
 Betty McGrath Brown, *former member of Redeemer*  
 Charles Lowe, *father of Bonnie Dowers*

# REDEEMER'S 2017 EASTER EGG HUNT



Despite the threat of rain, the weather remained beautiful throughout Redeemer's Easter Egg Hunt on April 16, Easter Sunday. Jerusha Riess-Smith, along with Anna and Lilli Kirk, hid the eggs shortly after the 9:30 service. Then, at 10:30, parents lined the sidewalks of Erie and Raymar while joyous children rushed about searching for the hidden treasures. The hunt was fun for everyone, from young to old, and will be the first of many to come.



## A WORD WITH TOM HILL

On Monday, May 8, The Rev. Philip DeVaul sat down with Tom Hill and spoke with him about his 40 remarkable years at Redeemer. Below are just a few excerpts from their conversation. To hear the interview in its entirety, please visit the new Redeemer website. Go to: Redeemer-cincy.org, click on "Welcome" > "Latest News."



**Tom, you have been a member of this church since the '70s?**

Jan and I started in 1975. I grew up in the Episcopal church, St. Andrews in Ft. Thomas, Kentucky. I was an acolyte and I was confirmed there. I was president of the youth group and then I went to college – Centre College in Danville, Kentucky – and strayed from churchly attendance for a while. Jan and I were married in a Christian church up in Middletown. Our daughter, Sarah Ann, was born in 1973. We were living in Clifton at the time and we moved to Hyde Park. We actually hadn't really been going to church much. We went to several churches around the diocese that were Episcopal churches, but we didn't feel comfortable. It wasn't like we had any heart-wrenching discussions about where we should go to church, but just one day we said, "Let's go up to Church of the Redeemer." We went and stayed – and hardly ever missed, other than vacations, since we started.

**You were married in a nondenominational church. What was Jan raised in?**

It was Church of God or – they call it a Christian church.

**You showed up here in 1975? And Al Vail was rector?**

Al Vail was rector. We really liked Al Vail. He, after a couple of years, encouraged me to become a lay reader in 1977, and also encouraged me to run for the vestry. So, I was on the vestry that brought Jim Hanisian into Redeemer.

**When leaders of a church leave and there's a lot of, sort of, rancor or division, that's when a lot of people**

**just say goodbye to church altogether... Was there something specific that really kept you?**

I don't think there were a lot of people that left. We had an interim, (Retired) Bishop Barrett was his name. He was from California. He was here briefly, maybe a year. And then Jim Hanisian came. Jim was a little controversial in some ways. You know, he was the kind of person that could say certain things and somehow he was able to get away with it <laughter> and Al Vail could say certain things that he couldn't. That's about the only way I could look at it.

**<laughter> It does happen like that. So, Al Vail got you into the lay readers?**

Yeah. And also about that time, I and another young guy that was in college, were the leaders of the youth group for 3-5 years, so that was interesting.

**Wow. I'm interested in the fact that Al got you into lay reading, and now you're the head of the lay reading group, or you facilitate that ministry.**

Correct.

**And how long have you been doing that?**

I think I've been chair since 2008. Prior to that, Cindy Carlton-Ford and Gale Sheldon were the co-chairs. I'm the chair and I've also assumed the role as the trainer for when we have a new person come in.

**So, for those that don't know what the lay readers do, there's some who will listen and read and say "oh, of course, the lay readers," but what do the lay readers do in the church?**

In the Episcopal church, technically, when Redeemer uses the term "lay readers," it's actually lay Eucharistic ministers. And we are licensed by the Bishop to serve at the Eucharist and to read the bible, usually the second reading, at the church service and the Eucharist service – or any service, I guess. We're at the pleasure of the clergy to do what they want us to do. I've also, for the last 3-5 years served as a Lay Eucharistic Minister, where we take the Eucharist to people that are sick and homebound, or have other physical ailments.

### **What's that been like for you?**

I have really felt privileged to do that. There is some training to it. We usually read one of the readings, or the gospel reading, and we have a short service. And I've just felt privileged to do it, and I think the people that I've taken communion to are very receptive. They ask for it for a reason, and I think it's just a great thing that Redeemer does this.

### **So, you chair the lay readers and you're part of the Lay Eucharistic Visitors. What other ministries do you generally find yourself connected to in this church?**

I've been involved with IHN (Interfaith Hospitality Network) as an overnight host for about 25 years, since the beginning. I've been the Wednesday overnight host. And I've felt like that is an important ministry at Redeemer. It's changed over the years and we now have one of the best facilities in the city, because every family has their own separate room and we have shower facilities. I've been doing that for a long time. I think it's a wonderful thing. We usually house 4 to 5 homeless families, and a lot of the time we don't know exactly what happens to them, but we have hopes that when they go to the Day Center during the week, where they get help with finding a home or finding a job, that they go on to live better lives. Sometimes you're able to talk with people and they'll open their hearts to you. You don't pry, you just listen. And sometimes they tell you their life story, and sometimes they don't. And that's okay.

**Yeah, it's so funny that you said that. I feel like we sometimes treat people like projects. Like we're trying to accomplish something... But sitting with someone and listening to them, especially when a lot of people probably haven't, is a gift.**

Oh yeah, I get more out of it than them. I've also been involved with People Working Cooperatively and building ramps, Habitat for Humanity, and a couple others.

**You come to one of the Bible Studies from time to time and you are in the Theology Group. How long have you been attending the Theology Group?**

Pretty much when it started. I come the majority of the time.

**What ministries haven't you done yet? So, for**

**instance, are there any that you're thinking about, "maybe I'll try that at some point?"**

I haven't done Christian Education.

### **Anything else that you've been involved with?**

Well, some of the things at MEAC (Madisonville Education and Assistance Center) I've been involved with. Bob McGonagle, who was our verger, became a friend of mine, so I helped him out many times doing different things connected with the church. When somebody was moving – I had a van, and before it hit a deer, or a deer hit it – we used that a lot to help people move.

**You've been here for just over 40 years. I'm curious about what you see happening at Redeemer, and maybe what you'd like to see happen in the next 40 years here?**



I think a lot of good things are happening at Redeemer and we have a lot of young families and young children. I think we – and you and I have probably discussed this before – but I think we need to find a way to mesh the Sanctuary and Banquet services on a Sunday a little more.

**That is definitely something we want to do.**

I think the nice thing about Redeemer is that people come to Redeemer and I think they're welcomed. We have greeters, and I think there's a lot of other people that if they see somebody they don't know, they will welcome them, smile and greet them, and say, "thanks for coming," and answer any questions about the church and what they're interested in.

**That's great. How long did you say you and Jan have been married?**

50 years, if I make it to August 17. <laughter>

**Well, hey, I'm really grateful for you coming and speaking to us. And I'm really grateful for the kindness you've shown my family since we've been here, and all of your dedication and your love for this church. The strength of this church is in the people who care about it so much, and are willing to give so much of their time. You are a major strength of this church. So, thank you brother. I appreciate it.**

Thank you.

## ANNE HOUSHOLDER'S WITNESS, APRIL 30

If you are a natural introvert like me, you're probably not surprised that I spent my first 3 years attending church at Redeemer barely talking to anyone. And it wasn't you, Redeemer, it was me. Sure, I passed the peace and introduced myself when asked, but that was the extent of it. I was a busy resident physician, and I just needed a place to come re-center and reconnect to God, but I didn't have a whole lot of space in my life to meet new people. I was your guest, week after week, month after month. You welcomed me with beautiful music, fresh flowers, and great preaching. Christmases when I was on call, Easters when I couldn't take Monday off. It's a really great thing about us, Redeemer, that we can host people who don't have the bandwidth to be an emergency acolyte the third time they show up.



Even when I realized I wasn't just passing through on my way to my real life somewhere else, and I went to the Newcomer's Class, I was only asked to carry one small part of the Catalyst group during adult formation, not organize the whole thing. Through that I started to meet people around my age, but I could tell I wasn't a real participant in the life of the church yet; I was still a church consumer. Redeemer had something to offer me that was the "more" that I was looking for, and I transferred my monthly pledge from my beloved previous church, but I wasn't ready to transfer my membership yet.

I knew I wasn't fully living out what I believed about Christian community. The example that Jesus created in his life of dinner parties and wedding feasts is a church that is a party for everyone rich and poor, of every race, age and ethnicity, in joy at baptisms and weddings, and sorrow at funerals. And, over my time here at Redeemer, I have gradually met enough people to start going to all of those types of parties.

The gift that Saint Paul gave us in his letters was laying out how we as the church are called specifically to be not just the guests, but also hosts of the party that Jesus started. Like a consummate party planner, Paul lays it all out in careful detail: we all have to do both to be the church as the body of Christ.

After transferring my membership in 2014, I was finally ready to ask myself, "What's the best way to get involved in hosting the party?" Well, I became a lay reader and chalice. It was brilliant! I started to recognize people who didn't sit in my back, right corner at the 10:00 am Sanctuary service, and you all could start to put my face with my name. Though there are many jobs in the church that are great, being a Chalice is one of those special jobs that's most literally being a servant of all – exactly how Jesus tells us to host a party.

And over the last 3 years, I've seen how quickly my role here as guest and host has expanded – I've learned that my financial giving is necessary for the ever expanding party we're throwing, and we are throwing that party every day in ways I couldn't imagine just sitting in the pews. You've supported the party my coworkers and I throw every night for homeless women and children at Lydia's House, and you've even called me to be on the long term party planning committee called vestry.

I'd like to end with a vow we say whenever a guest or volunteer makes a long term commitment to being at Lydia's House, because it reflects the commitments that I want to grow into at Redeemer as well –

*This is my community. It is composed of people just like me. It will be kind if I am kind. It will be forgiving if I forgive. It will patiently endure wrongs if I endure them. It will be a community of loyalty, love, faith and service if I, who make it what it is, am filled with these. Therefore, with God's love, I dedicate myself to the task of being all these things I want for Redeemer.*



The mission of Lydia's House is to provide a supportive and stable environment for women and children in crisis. Each guest will be helped to move into long term housing at the end of her stay; however, housing at Lydia's House is as stable as possible in nature. It is a place of hope and healing as well as a springboard from which guests can seek training, new skills, and work that will provide for their needs. Women live in community, share life and meals with one another, and are encouraged in their personal spiritual journeys. To learn more, go to: <http://stlydiashouse.org/>.

**RENEWING YOUR MINISTRY COMMITMENT****Dawn Neely**

As I write this on May 9, I'm grateful that 123 parishioners have made a covenant to use their time and talents through Redeemer's various ministries. There are many more people involved in ministry at Redeemer, and we are eager to hear from you about what ministries you would like to participate in so our ministry leaders can better plan their ministry work. Commitment to ministry is an important process for this parish... whether you are a newcomer exploring ministry opportunities or a veteran parishioner who is discerning how to best use your time and talents now – perhaps the same engagement or trying something different.

As I think about how to use my time and talents, a couple messages made a strong impact on me this spring:

- Nancy's sermon about taking a risk to try something new and go to places that scare you. She also challenged us to dream big and suggest new ministry ideas.
- Joyce asked who you would like to walk with and who you would like to share with. Ministry is a wonderful way to get to know other parishioners and build relationships.
- Anne Housholder talked about her transition from a "guest" and a "church consumer" to engaging in three ministries and becoming "host" of the party. If you didn't hear her witness on 4/30, I recommend you listen to the podcast on Redeemer's website, or read it on the previous page.
- Phil reached outside his comfort zone and asked for our help... asking each parishioner to intentionally make a covenant of time and talents by this month.

Those of us on the Stewardship Board believe that parishioners who engage in ministry will experience the Holy Spirit and see God through their ministry work. What are you passionate about? Channel that passion into ministry work. Trying something new can be scary, but finding passion and feeling God's presence in your life is what we are inviting you to do. There is joy in giving of yourself and feeling God's love in the process!

**REDEEMER'S ON THE MOVE!****Lin Roth**

The Church of the Redeemer is moving again. No, we are not leaving our beloved church or Hyde Park. We are moving our bodies for a good cause, and you are invited to join the group. The 2017 Hunger Walk 5K will be the kickoff of the reimaged Solemates Group and all are welcome. We are hoping to get together several times a year to support an organization's charity walk.

On May 29, a group of Redeemer Solemates will be running or walking in the Freestore Foodbank Hunger Walk. This is a 5K (3.1 miles) course through Cincinnati and Kentucky which will benefit the Freestore Foodbank. This year's race starts bright and early at 9:00 am. Since its inception in 2004, the Hunger Walk and 5K Run has raised more than \$1,800,000 (the equivalent of 5,400,000 meals) for Freestore Foodbank. Your registration or donation will help support the Freestore Foodbank's network of 350 partner food pantries, soup kitchens, shelters, and community centers, which includes Madisonville Education & Assistance Center (MEAC). Our group will be participating in the support of MEAC.

Register as part of the Redeemer Solemates Group online, by telephone, or by mail. Information is available at: [freestorefoodbank.org](http://freestorefoodbank.org). Click on "Events." We will be arranging car pools from the church to downtown the morning of the walk. Feel free to contact Lin Roth at [mslcdr@aol.com](mailto:mslcdr@aol.com) with any questions.



## IT TAKES AN ARMY Hollis Bass



**Interfaith Hospitality Network  
of Greater Cincinnati**  
*The Community's Interfaith  
Response to Family Homelessness*

It takes an army of volunteers to run Redeemer's Interfaith Hospitality Network (IHN) ministry. Thankfully, we have the help of Our Lord Christ the King Catholic Church (CtK). This Mt. Lookout parish provides volunteers for two days each hosting week. In the past, they filled in on Mondays and Tuesdays, but we recently decided to open the week up so that anyone can volunteer on any day. This means that Redeemerites and CtK'ers may intermingle!

Katie McDonnell is Christ the King's IHN coordinator. She took over organizing for CtK three years ago and she and her extended family have been volunteering religiously ever since.

Katie's mom, Noreen Petry, is a natural with the kids; last year, she retired after teaching Montessori kindergarteners and preschoolers for 25 years. Katie's dad, Mike Petry, often helps with IHN activities and has served as an overnight host several times. Katie and her husband, Kevin McDonnell, take turns staying overnight for each hosting, as this is often the hardest role to fill for CtK. Katie also recruits volunteers from Kaleidoscope, where she works as general manager.

The Petry and McDonnell families both live in Anderson Township. Collectively, they all love the IHN ministry because it is a great example of how a small community can come together and make a difference. "We admire that the program is mostly based on volunteers, with all three meals coming from the kindness of strangers," said Katie. Bringing people together has always been a passion of Katie's, and she is grateful to serve alongside volunteers from Redeemer and CtK every hosting!

Redeemer is blessed to have Christ the King Church as an IHN partner.

Please consider joining us as a volunteer for one of the IHN hosting weeks: **May 28-June 4, August 13-20, October 15-22, and December 17-24.** Contact Hollis Bass (hollis@fuse.net), Kathryn Zajac Albertson (kmpzalbertson@gmail.com), or Lisa Senter (lsenter623@gmail.com).

It really does take an army of volunteers to host families experiencing homelessness for a week! Besides dinner, activity, and overnight hosts, we also have a food shopping team, a laundry team, and people who help with set up and clean up. Thanks to the following people who made our April hosting week a success (apologies to anyone left off this list):



*BEATs by CoR sorting through toys to help entertain children of our IHN guests.*

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| Club CORE                                | Ainsley Gough   | Nancy Hodges                                  | Jackie Othman       |
| Kathryn Zajac Albertson                  | Everly Gough    | Helen Kemper                                  | Natalie Park        |
| Kevin Albertson                          | Maggie Gough    | Pattie Kovach                                 | Mike Petry          |
| Christine Andrew                         | Annie Graner    | Catherine Leopard                             | Noreen Petry        |
| Hollis Bass                              | Diane Grever    | Luke Leopard                                  | Mary Ragland        |
| Joan Burrow                              | Andy Grubbs     | Chris Marshall <b>(first time volunteer!)</b> | Stefanie Riddle     |
| Andrey Carlson                           | Lissa Grubbs    | Carolyn McCabe & Family                       | John Schenk         |
| Clark Comstock                           | Betsy Hagan     | Katie McDonnell                               | Lisa Senter         |
| Liz Comstock                             | Lee Hardy       | Becca Morehous <b>(first time volunteer!)</b> | Nancye Van Brunt    |
| Missy Darling                            | Doug Henderson  | Francie Morrison                              | Laurie Fairlie Weil |
| Ellen Freese                             | Robin Henderson | Kim Morrison                                  | Brian Weinewuth     |
| Jenn Gieg <b>(first time volunteer!)</b> | Tom Hill        |   | Grace Weinewuth     |
|  | Joan Hilton     |   | Sue Wilkening       |

## Let Summer Begin!

The end of the school year is so busy, exciting, and exhausting! The children and teachers are working on all the final end-of-year art projects, evaluations, music programs, Pre-Kindergarten graduations, and our annual Party in the Park at Lunken Play field.

Two weeks ago, each class released their butterflies. It is so wonderful to watch the butterfly lifecycle right before our eyes. Each class had five caterpillars that turned into butterflies and were released. It's so much fun to watch the children's faces in amazement as the butterflies fly into the sky.

All of our classes have had special music performances for their families. The children have worked hard on all the songs throughout the year. We are very lucky to have Linda Geers as our music teacher. She not only teaches the kids songs, but also lots of different movement and sign language to go along with the songs.

Our annual Party in the Park is Thursday, May 18. We will meet at the Spirit of 76 shelter and share pizza and wonderful side dishes prepared by all. It is always a great time, rain or shine. Of course, sun always makes things better! It is a great opportunity for all the Redeemer Preschool families and staff to gather one last time before summer break.

Once again, we have planned an exciting summer program at Redeemer Preschool. Summer Camp begins May 22 and will be held four days a week, Monday-Thursday, from 9:00-11:30 am. (Session 2 is Tuesday-Friday due to Memorial Day.) The camp has five sessions and each session has a different theme. Themes this year include Music, Farm, Messy Art, Ocean, and Red, White & Blue. For more information regarding Summer Camp and all things Redeemer Preschool, please visit our website at: [RedeemerPreschoolHydePark.com](http://RedeemerPreschoolHydePark.com).



You could fly to Peru, to Lima,  
Then catch a flight to Cusco,  
Ancient city of the Sacred Valley,  
Grab a bus to Ollantaytambo,  
With its cobbled streets waiting  
In the shadows of the great mountains.

Stop and take a breath.  
Look into the eyes of the natives.

Now board the train,  
Ride slowly down into the valley,  
Alongside is the rushing Urubamba,  
The river leading you to something,  
Running to the Amazon,  
Watch the changing forest slowly pass.

Look up at the blue sky.  
Stop and take a breath.

Here you are at Aguas Calientes,  
The bus is waiting to carry you  
Up and up, turning turning,  
Seventeen switchbacks,  
Sharp drop offs, don't look down,  
But now you've arrived.

Stop and take a breath.  
Look into the dark eyes of your guide.

Listen to the story of the Inca.  
Take in the mystery of this place,  
Feel the heat of the sun at 8,000 feet,  
Watch the birds, the llamas, lizards,  
Climb the stone stairways,  
Stand in the silence of the Andes.

Your guide says, "Stop and take a breath...  
Welcome, my friends, to Machu Picchu."

*Jim Votaw, Redeemer Poet-in-Residence*



## TIME FOR S'MORE FAMILY FUN AT PROCTER SUMMER CAMP!



Registrations are open for Procter Summer Camp! Procter Summer Camp, a ministry of the Episcopal Diocese of Southern Ohio, creates a place for children, youth, and families to grow in faith, sing, learn, play, and pray in the peaceful farmland of London, Ohio.

### Grade Level Camps

A camp week at Procter Summer Camp incorporates Christian formation periods, time spent with your cabin, and outdoor activities like: swimming, arts & crafts, basketball, canoeing, blobbing, fishing, soccer, and football. After dinner, the camp participates in a large group activity together, followed by campfire, and devotions in cabin groups. Then it's lights out. Campers stay in one

of our cabins with counselors. Campers should attend the camp based on what grade they will enroll in Fall 2017.

### Creative Arts Camp

Creative Arts Camp follows a similar daily schedule to grade level camps, but this week campers are immersed in visual arts, music, drama, writing, dance, and team building. Focused on the arts, our faith is woven through daily activities and worship. Play with God and catch the spirit in creating!

### Family Camp

Family Camp offers families an opportunity to spend quality time together in Christian community without worrying about meals, planning activities, or spending on an elaborate vacation. Each day consists of various activities, including Bible study, worship, time outdoors and sports activities, arts and crafts, music, swimming, an amazing talent show (please bring your talents!), and much more. All activities are optional, so you and your family can decide what you want to do each day. The camp staff leads all activities and worship, so you are able to enjoy the activities with your family. Procter Center is equipped with a swimming pool, tennis courts, a fishing pond, a lake for canoeing, a peaceful chapel, a labyrinth, a workout room for adults, and plenty of natural beauty to make your stay even more enjoyable.



For registration and more information, see postcards located in the lobby, or visit: [dsoyouth.org](http://dsoyouth.org). Nancy Hopkins-Greene and Roger Greene will be chaplains for the final family camp, August 2-5. Questions? Contact Brad Gough ([brad.hpRedeemer@gmail.com](mailto:brad.hpRedeemer@gmail.com)).

## THE 2017 NETS FOR LIFE

## Carolyn Martin



*Carolyn Martin (right) presents Emma Nepomuceno with the Nets for Life trophy.*

Congratulations to Emma Nepomuceno for back-to-back victories in the Redeemer Nets for Life NCAA basketball pool! Not only has Emma won two years in a row, she also came within two points of predicting the score of the final game. Amazing!

Emma insists that she knows nothing about basketball and thought her bracket was busted when she heard that UNC Wilmington was out. Her double victory and the low rankings this year of the basketball "experts" is proof that anyone can pick a winning bracket.

Emma will get to enjoy another year with the coveted and very shiny trophy, but the real winners are the 400 children who will sleep safe from malaria under insecticide-treated mosquito nets provided through Episcopal Relief and Development's Nets for Life partnerships in Africa. This year we raised a record \$1620 for a total of \$12,813. That's 1067 mosquito nets since 2010.

Thanks to all for your generous support! See you next year...

## MAY/JUNE 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>Sunday Schedule (except where noted)</b> <b>8:00 am</b> Holy Eucharist: Rite I (Sanctuary) <b>8:45 am</b> Coffee (Lobby), Rise and Shine (Chapel), <b>CLUB CoR and BEATS (Except 4th Sunday of the month)</b> <b>10:00 am</b> Holy Eucharist: Rite II (Sanctuary) <b>Banquet Holy Eucharist (Great Hall)</b> <b>Child care (infant-3 years), Godly Play (ages 3-6)</b> <b>11:15 am</b> Adult Forum, Youth Formation, Children's Activities, <b>ConnectFour (4th Sunday of the month)</b> <b>5:00 pm</b> Celtic Holy Eucharist (Chapel)				18 <b>6:15 am</b> Al-Anon <b>9:00 am</b> RPS Graduation <b>10:00 am</b> Bible Study <b>11:00 am</b> RPS Grad Party <b>7:00 pm</b> Adult Choir <b>8:00 pm</b> Al-Anon	19 <b>5:00 pm</b> Wedding Rehearsal <b>8:30 pm</b> AA	20 <b>12:30 pm</b> Wedding <b>1:00 pm</b> Spikenard Rehearsal <b>2:00 pm</b> McGrath Brown Funeral (off-site)
21 <b>11:15 am</b> BEATs Helping Hands <b>12:00 pm</b> Liturgy Board Meeting <b>5:00 pm</b> BEATs EOY Party <b>7:00 pm</b> BS Venture Crew	22 <b>9:00 am</b> RPS Summer Camp <b>9:30 am</b> Chair Yoga <b>7:00 pm</b> MFC Meeting <b>7:30 pm</b> AA	23 <b>9:00 am</b> RPS Summer Camp <b>12:00 pm</b> Staff Meeting <b>6:30 pm</b> BS Venture Crew <b>8:00 pm</b> AA	24 <b>9:00 am</b> RPS Summer Camp <b>9:30 am</b> Al-Anon <b>12:00 pm</b> Downtown Bible Study <b>7:00 pm</b> Holy Eucharist	25 <b>6:15 am</b> Al-Anon <b>9:00 am</b> RPS Summer Camp <b>10:00 am</b> Bible Study <b>6:00 pm</b> Yoga <b>7:00 pm</b> Adult Choir <b>8:00 pm</b> Al-Anon	26 <b>8:30 pm</b> AA	27 <b>8:00 am</b> Habitat For Humanity Build <b>11:00 am</b> Fisher Funeral <b>1:00 pm</b> Junior Spikenard Rehearsal
28 <b>3:00 pm</b> Guitar Student Recital <b>5:15 pm</b> IHN Hosting Week Begins <b>6:00 pm</b> Theology Circle <b>7:00 pm</b> BS Venture Crew	<b>29 Memorial Day</b> Parish Office Closed RPS Summer Camp Closed <b>10:00 am</b> OA <b>5:15 pm</b> IHN Hosting <b>7:30 pm</b> AA	30 <b>9:00 am</b> RPS Summer Camp <b>12:00 pm</b> Staff Meeting <b>5:15 pm</b> IHN Hosting <b>6:30 pm</b> BS Venture Crew <b>8:00 pm</b> AA	31 <b>9:00 am</b> RPS Summer Camp <b>9:30 am</b> Al-Anon <b>12:00 pm</b> Downtown Bible Study <b>5:15 pm</b> IHN Hosting <b>6:30 pm</b> Holy Eucharist	<b>June 1</b> <b>6:15 am</b> Al-Anon <b>9:00 am</b> RPS Summer Camp <b>10:00 am</b> Bible Study <b>5:15 pm</b> IHN Hosting <b>6:00 pm</b> Yoga <b>7:00 pm</b> Adult Choir <b>8:00 pm</b> Al-Anon	2 <b>9:00 am</b> RPS Summer Camp <b>5:15 pm</b> IHN Hosting <b>8:30 pm</b> AA	3 <b>9:30 am</b> Altar Guild Annual Breakfast Meeting <b>1:00 pm</b> Spikenard Rehearsal <b>5:15 pm</b> IHN Hosting
4 <b>10:00 am</b> Holy Baptisms <b>7:00 pm</b> BS Venture Crew	5 <b>9:00 am</b> RPS Summer Camp <b>9:30 am</b> Chair Yoga <b>5:30 pm</b> Admin Meeting <b>7:30 pm</b> AA	6 <b>9:00 am</b> RPS Summer Camp <b>9:30 am</b> Spiritual Directors <b>12:00 pm</b> Staff Meeting <b>6:30 pm</b> BS Venture Crew <b>8:00 pm</b> AA	7 <b>9:00 am</b> RPS Summer Camp <b>9:30 am</b> Al-Anon <b>12:00 pm</b> Downtown Bible Study <b>6:30 pm</b> Holy Eucharist <b>7:00 pm</b> Book Club	8 <b>6:15 am</b> Al-Anon <b>9:00 am</b> RPS Summer Camp <b>10:00 am</b> Bible Study <b>6:00 pm</b> Yoga <b>8:00 pm</b> Al-Anon	9 <b>8:30 pm</b> AA	10 <b>9:00 am</b> ACE Rehearsal <b>11:00 am</b> Junior Spikenard Rehearsal <b>5:00 pm</b> Holy Comforter Youth Overnight
11 <b>11:00 am</b> Youth & Young Adult Ministries Reception <b>7:00 pm</b> BS Venture Crew	12 <b>9:00 am</b> RPS Summer Camp <b>9:30 am</b> Chair Yoga 1:00 pm Steady Strides <b>4:30 pm</b> Stewardship Meeting 7:00 pm Vestry Meeting <b>7:30 pm</b> AA	13 <b>9:00 am</b> RPS Summer Camp <b>10:00 am</b> Knitting Group <b>12:00 pm</b> Staff Meeting <b>6:30 pm</b> BS Venture Crew <b>8:00 pm</b> AA	14 <b>9:00 am</b> RPS Summer Camp <b>9:30 am</b> Al-Anon Redeemer News Collating <b>12:00 pm</b> Downtown Bible Study <b>6:30 pm</b> Holy Eucharist	15 <b>6:15 am</b> Al-Anon <b>9:00 am</b> RPS Summer Camp <b>10:00 am</b> Bible Study <b>6:00 pm</b> Yoga <b>8:00 pm</b> Al-Anon	16 <b>8:30 pm</b> AA	17 <b>1:00 pm</b> Spikenard Rehearsal

This calendar includes parish events and community meetings scheduled in the building.

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## CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES!

**Redeemer will recognize  
our graduating  
high school  
seniors during  
the 10:00 am  
services on  
Sunday, May 21.**

All 2017 graduates will be featured in the June issue of *Redeemer News*. Please be sure to contact Anny Stevens-Gleason ([anny.hpredeemer@gmail.com](mailto:anny.hpredeemer@gmail.com)) so that we can acknowledge your graduate's accomplishment. Include the full name of the graduate, the school from which they are graduating, and future plans, if known.

