## WELCOME TO REDEEMER!

#### **VISITING OR CHECKING US OUT TODAY? DO YOU HAVE QUESTIONS?** 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 9:45 am through 12:15 pm. During 10:00 am worship services, St. Francis Summer (age 3-6) begins in the St. Francis room at 9:45 am, and children (age 3 - grade 4) are invited to the Chapel for "Summer Break" during the Sermon. Both groups will return to services at The Peace. 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

**RECTOR'S BLOG: LARGER, FREER, AND MORE LOVING? -** "'If the concept of God has any validity or any use, it can only be to make us larger, freer, and more loving. If God cannot do this, then it is time we got rid of Him.' James Baldwin wrote this, and I believe he meant it with every bit of himself.

[...] Baldwin, an African-American who wrote these words in the middle of the 20th century, is reflecting on the many ways the Christian faith participated in and promoted the colonization and subjugation of African peoples by people of European descent. He is writing as a former Christian, as a current American, and as someone who recognizes the Christian Church has been neither a hero nor an innocent bystander in the long history of race relations.

Baldwin knows Christianity is not neutral, not passive, not without power, and so his point is simple: If this thing which has so much power, so much influence, so much sway in our lives is not going to sway us and influence us as a people into being larger, freer, more loving people – then we're better off without it." Read Phil's blog in it's entirety at *redeemer-cincy.org/rectors-blog/larger-freer-and-more-loving*.

## 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. 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. 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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VESTRY OF THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER

Charles Fellows, *Senior Warden;* Emily von Allmen, *Junior Warden* Rob Kranz, *Treasurer;* Audrey Sesler, *Asst. Treasurer;* Pattie Kovach, *Clerk of Vestry* Ryan Andrews, Michael Firesheets, Brett Flodder, Chuck Hardy, Kate Haralson, Alan Henning, Megan Johnson, Kyle Roberts, Andrea Rogers, Betsy Schram, Jim Votaw, Kelli Wisecup 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.

**REDEEMER EMAIL:** COMMUNICATIONS @REDEEMER-CINCY.ORG OR CALL 513.321.6700



The Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost August 25, 2019



# As the Episcopal branch of the Jesus Movement, what do you hope the Episcopal Church can contribute to this world? Share a story of that vision.

THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER redeemer-cincy.org #InspiredRedeemer

## **AUGUST 25: ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

8 am RITE I EUCHARIST (Sanctuary) Sermon: The Rev. Mitchell Bojarski In the traditional language of *The Book of Common Prayer*.

#### 9 am RISE & SHINE (Parlor)

The Rise and Shine discussion group will gather to discuss the topic of "How Should America Approach Our Gun Violence Problem?" We will use the lens of scripture and the recent news regarding statistics and suggestions surrounding gun violence.

10 am RITE II EUCHARIST (Sanctuary) Sermon: The Rev. Mitchell Bojarski

**10 am THE BANQUET (Great Hall)** Sermon: The Rev. Melanie W. J. Slane

5 pm CELTIC EUCHARIST (Chapel)

Sermon: The Rev. Melanie W. J. Slane An intimate, contemplative service, celebrated in our beautiful chapel.

**ICE CREAM SOCIAL AND IHN OPEN HOUSE -** Join us **TODAY**, following the 10:00 am worship services for a look at our Interfaith Hospitality Network (IHN) space and ice cream! The undercroft (lower level) has been cleaned and reorganized over the summer and we'd love to show it to you. After you've had a look, join us just outside, near the playground, for an ice cream social to celebrate the end of summer and the return to our program year schedules.



INTERFAITH HOSPITALITY NETWORK (IHN) HOSTING WEEK - Our next IHN hosting week begins TODAY. Sign-up is online at bit.ly/2XPSA9i and we still need Dinner, Activities, and Overnight Hosts. We especially need Saturday, August 31 volunteers. For more information, contact a Redeemer IHN captain: Hollis Bass, hollis@fuse.net, Lisa Senter, *lsenter623@gmail.com*, Kathryn Albertson, *kmzalbertson@gmail.com*, Laurie Fairlie-Weil, laurie.fairweil@gmail.com, or Pattie Kovach, pghpattie@gmail.com, or visit redeemer-cincy.org/interfaith-hospitality/network.

**YOUTH GROUP: S'MORES IN THE CLOISTER -** High School Youth should plan



to gather in the cloister (the courtyard area with the fountain) Sunday, September 8 at 6:00 pm for dinner, fellowship and s'mores! For more information contact the Rev. Mitchell Bojarski, mitchell@redeemer-cincy.org.

FESTIVAL OF FAITHS - Cincinnati holds its second Festival of Faiths on Sunday, September 8 from 12:30 pm—5:00 pm at the Cintas Center on Xavier University's campus. Church of the Redeemer is participating in this community faith event with a variety of offerings. The event is free and open to the public. Learn more at *cincifestivaloffaiths.org*.

**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.

# **SEPTEMBER 1: TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST:**

8 am RITE I EUCHARIST (Sanctuary) Sermon: The Rev. Joyce Keeshin 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. Joyce Keeshin

10:30 am THE BANQUET (Great Hall) Sermon: The Rev. Philip DeVaul

5 pm CELTIC EUCHARIST (Chapel) Sermon: The Rev. Philip DeVaul An intimate, contemplative service, celebrated in our beautiful chapel.

THE GIFTS OF IMPERFECT PARENTING – This class, based on the series by the author, Brené Brown and led by the Rev. Mary Laymon, will be held one Monday a month from September through May from 6:00-8:00 pm in the Great Hall. The first gathering is **September 9**. Register on our website, *edeemer-cincy.org/* gifts-of-imperfect-parenting. Childcare is available. For more information contact Brad Gough, Minister for Families, brad@redeemer-cincy.org.

**GENTLY USED BACKPACK COLLECTION -** Please consider donating your old, gently used backpacks this month to be used by Cincinnati Immigrant Transit Assistance (CITA). This diverse group of volunteers greet immigrants traveling through Cincinnati to their new homes in the United States. The backpacks are used to hold donated necessities and food. A donation bin is located in the Narthex (lobby).

THE CALL TO STEPHEN MINISTRY - We are looking for individuals who feel called to serve in a confidential one-on-one ministry of being present, listening, and walking with someone through a difficult time. The discernment process for this ministry includes a completion of a Stephen Ministry Application (found on our website and in the narthex), a conversation with ministry leaders, and especially, prayer. For more information on Stephen Ministry see our website: *redeemer-cincy.org/Stephen-ministry* or contact Becca Morehouse, Health and Wellness Minister, becca@redeemer-cincy.org. Applications due September 13.



SACRED GROUND DIALOGUE CIRCLE - As part of our Becoming Beloved Community initiative, we will offer a 10-part series this program year developed by The Episcopal Church called Sacred Ground. This film-and readings-based dialogue series will focus on examining the history of racism and the struggle for racial justice in our country. The syllabus will explore Indigenous, Black, Latino, and Asian/Pacific American

histories as they intersect with European American histories. Group(s) of 10-14 people will meet on the second Tuesday of the month October through July at 6:00 pm in the Great Hall. There is no cost and childcare is available. Space is limited, so register early. For more information and to register visit: redeemercincy.org/sacred-ground.

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Anny Stevens-Gleason.

September 29, Sunday: Social Media Sunday. The day set aside for Christians everywhere to use digital devices intentionally to share their life of faith with the world.

Hall.

October 12, Saturday: Youth Group Go-Karts and Axe Throwing. 2:00 pm. Full Throttle Indoor Karting.

Spirits Co.

services.

Arena.

November 3, Sunday: Family Feast Day: All Saints' Sunday. Combined worship at 10:00 am.

December 12, Thursday: Advent Lessons & Carols. 7:00 pm.

experience required! Our first meeting will feature singing games and fun activities. For more information, contact Maria Felice Rivers, Jubilate Deo Choir Director, mfelicerivers@gmail.com.

**WHAT'S GOING ON AT REDEEMER?** - The best sources of information on all our ministries are on our **website**, *www.redeemer-cincy.org/* latest-posts, Facebook page, facebook.com/RedeemerCincy/, Instagram, RedeemerCincy, and Twitter feed @RedeemerCincy. You can also subscribe to our weekly eNews at the bottom of our website homepage.

# SAVE THE DATE!

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

August 27, Tuesday: Young Adult "Penny Beer" Night. 7:00 pm. Fifty West

September 19, Thursday: Young Adult Thirsty Thursday. 7:00 pm. Madtree

September 25, Wednesday: LGBTQ+ Fellowship gathering. 6:30 pm. Home of

September 29, Sunday: Youth Group FCC Game. 5:00 pm. Nippert Stadium.

September 30, Monday: Stephen Minister Training begins. 7:00 pm. Parlor. October 6, Sunday: Blessing of the Animals. 5:00 pm.

October 8, Tuesday: Sacred Ground Dialogue Circle begins. 6:00 pm. Great

October 24, Thursday: Young Adult Tour and Tasting. 7:00 pm. Karrikin

October 25, Friday: MEAC & Cheese Event.

October 27, Sunday: Blessing of Halloween Costumes. 10:00 am worship

October 27, Sunday: Newcomers' Reception. 6:00 pm. Parlor.

November 14: Young Adult Cincinnati Cyclones Hockey. 7:30 pm. US Bank

December 1, Sunday: Advent Wreath Making. After our 10 am worship services. Great Hall.

> **JUBILATE DEO RESUMES -** The Jubilate Deo Children's Choir, under the leadership of Maria Felice Rivers and Shelley Dumoulin, will have their first meeting on Sunday, September 8 from 9:15 am-9:50 am in the Chapel. We welcome all children, ages 6-12, to come and try it out. No previous singing