#### **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

**RECTOR'S BLOG: WE BECOME SENT-** "Jesus' repeated command to "Go", to go into the cities and towns, into the community, into the world, to go bearing the Gospel and bearing our very selves – is not just meant to change the world into which we go: It is meant to change us. When Jesus commands us to "Go", we become *sent*. The transformation is fundamental."

Read Phil's blog in it's entirety at *redeemer-cincy.org/rectors-blog-we-become-sent/*.

**SUNG COMPLINE:** Every other Sunday, January through April. Join us **TODAY at 9:00 pm in the chapel**, as we close the evening in prayer.

#### **WEEKDAY SERVICES**

**Tuesday:** 7:30 am Morning Prayer **Wednesday:** 6:00 pm Eucharist **Thursday:** 7:30 am Morning Prayer

#### WEEKLY BIBLE STUDY

**DOWNTOWN BIBLE STUDY: Wednesdays, 12:00 pm,** Diocesan Offices. This group will **not meet on Wednesday, February 26** due to Ash Wednesday but will resume on Wednesday, March 4 at 12:00 pm..

**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

The Rev. Philip DeVaul, Rector, philip@redeemer-cincy.org
The Rev. Melanie W. J. Slane, Associate for Mission & Liturgy,
melanie@redeemer-cincy.org

The Rev. Joyce Keeshin, Associate for Pastoral Care, joyce@redeemer-cincy.org
The Rev. Mitchell Bojarski, Associate for Youth & Young Adults,
mitchell@redeemer-cincy.org

The Rev. Gary R. Lubin, Deacon, garyrlubin@gmail.com
Dr. L. Brett Scott, Director of Music Ministries, brett@redeemer-cincy.org
Matthew Swanson, Assisting Choirmaster, mjswanson2@gmail.com
Liz Clemons, Assisting Minister of Music, liz@redeemer-cincy.org
Thomas Heidenreich, Organist, heidentc@mail.uc.edu
Caleb Neely, Assisting Music Minister for Contemporary Worship,
caleb.neely42@gmail.com

Maria Felice Rivers, *Director of Jubilate Deo Choir*, mfelicerivers@gmail.com Shelley Dumoulin, *Assistant Director of Jubilate Deo Choir*, shelleyd57@gmail.com

Brad Gough, Minister for Families, brad@redeemer-cincy.org
Tommy Kirk, Children's Formation Leader, tommy@redeemer-cincy.org
Denise Hoefling, Preschool Director, denise@redeemer-cincy.org
Anny Stevens-Gleason, Minister for Worship & Incorporation,
anny@redeemer-cincy.org

**Becca Morehous**, *Health & Wellness Minister*, becca@redeemer-cincy.org Mary Jo Schottelkotte, *Director of Building & Facilities Operations*, maryjo@redeemer-cincy.org

Nancy Schwartz, Communications Minister, nancyschwartz@redeemer-cincy.org
Debbi Alsfelder, Finance Officer, debbi@redeemer-cincy.org
Missy Darling, Receptionist, missy@redeemer-cincy.org
Kris Woolf, Head Sexton, kristopher@redeemer-cincy.org
Robert Votapek, Sexton, robert@redeemer-cincy.org
John Hardin, Sexton, john@redeemer-cincy.org

#### 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



The Last Sunday after the Epiphany February 23, 2020



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

The ideal way to learn *The Way of Love* is in a community of love, support, and accountability. We pray you find that here at Church of the Redeemer.

# G

Cross boundaries, listen deeply and live like Jesus

Jesus said to them, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.

- John 20:21

Send them into the world in witness to you love.

– Book of Common Prayer, p. 306

#### For Reflection and Discernment

- To what new places or communities is the Spirit sending you to witness to the love, justice, and truth of God?
- How will (or do) you build into your life a commitment to cross boundaries, listen carefully, and take
  part in healing and reconciling what is broken in
  this world?
- With whom will you share in the commitment to go forth as a reconciler and healer?

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.

## FEBRUARY 23: THE LAST SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

#### 8 am RITE I EUCHARIST (Sanctuary)

Sermon: The Rev. Gary Lubin

In the traditional language of *The Book of Common Prayer*.

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

The Rise and Shine discussion group will gather with Brad Gough to discuss the topic: "What Makes Church?" We will use scripture and the recent news regarding religious non-profits reclassifying as churches with the IRS to gain tax benefits.

## 10 am RITE II EUCHARIST (Sanctuary)

Sermon: The Rev. Gary Lubin

Redeemer's Adult Choir offers the music of Nystedt and Christiansen and on the organ we will hear pieces from CM Widor.

## 10 am THE BANQUET (Great Hall)

Sermon: The Rev. Joyce Keeshin

## 11:15 am FORUM (Great Hall)

Inspired to Serve: Engaging in *The Way of Love* - The Rev. Philip DeVaul will lead us on a deeper look at GO: Cross boundaries, listen deeply and live like

#### 5 pm CELTIC EUCHARIST (Chapel)

Sermon: The Rev. Joyce Keeshin

An intimate, contemplative service, celebrated in our beautiful chapel.



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 is no cost for

this event, however donations will be graciously accepted. There will also be a raffle to benefit Redeemer youth mission work. We are still looking for raffle **items.** If you have something to share to benefit this youth fundraiser, please contact the Rev. Mitchell Bojarski, Associate for Youth and Young Adults, mitchell@redeemer-cincy.org.

**WELCOME TOURS -** A Welcome Tour of the church is offered on the fourth Sunday of each month after the 10:00 am worship services. The tour should last no longer than 30 minutes. If you still feel a little lost around the building, or are simply curious to see all of the nooks and crannies, join us at the Welcome Table in the narthex/lobby after the 10:00 am worship services **TODAY**. Cynthia Blocksom will be your tour guide and will be pleased show you around the Church of the Redeemer.



ASH WEDNESDAY - Join us on Wednesday, February 26, for Holy Eucharist and Imposition of Ashes at 7:00 am, 12:00 pm, and 7:00 pm as we begin the season of Lent.

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.

#### MARCH 1: THE FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

## 8 am RITE I EUCHARIST (Sanctuary)

Sermon: The Rev. Melanie W. J. Slane

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. Melanie W. J. Slane

Redeemer's Adult Choir offers the music of Vaughn Williams, Ord, and Stanford and on the organ we will hear pieces from J. S. Bach.

## 10 am THE BANQUET (Great Hall)

Sermon: The Rev. Philp DeVaul

#### 11:15 am FORUM (Great Hall)

Telling the Truth About the Church and Race: The Doctrine of Discovery -Megan Hughes Johnson will introduce us to the history of racism in the church by watching a short film about the "Doctrine of Discovery" with discussion to follow.

## 5 pm CELTIC EUCHARIST (Chapel)

Sermon: The Rev. Philip DeVaul

An intimate, contemplative service, celebrated in our beautiful chapel.



**DEMENTIA INCLUSIVE CINCINNATI SPEAKER - This** Speaker Event on Tuesday, March 3, 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm in the Great Hall, focuses on the topic "Creating Intergenerational Experiences for People with Dementia". More information available at: redeemer-cincy.org/blog/

creating-intergenerational-experiences-for-people-with-dementia/.

**BECOME A REDEEMER GREETER -** The Greeter Ministry at Church of the Redeemer greets and welcomes newcomers on Sunday mornings before and after the 10:00 am worship services. Greeters are scheduled once or twice per month and greet people at both the front of the church and at the entrance from the rear parking lot. Training is available! Please contact Carter Kemper, *cgkemper1@gmail.com*, if you are interested in joining the greeting team.



**STEPHEN MINISTRY -** Today we celebrate the commissioning of seven (7) caring members of our worshiping community who have heard God's call to care for others. They have the spiritual STEPHEN gifts to be Stephen Ministers, and they have participated in many hours of training learning how to carry out this ministry. We are

grateful for our Stephen Ministry Leadership [Nip Becker, Maggie Gough, the Rev. Joyce Keeshin, Becca Morehous, Jen Strom, Carter Waide, and Kelli Wisecup for their teaching and equipping of these care-givers for our parish.

The Stephen Ministers commissioned today are Christy Borneman, Bill Hamann, Cindy Hamann, Kathleen Jenks, Cincy Powell, Allyn Raifstanger, and Susan Sizer. We thank God for their gifts of caring and listening. Please keep these people in your prayers as they carry the love of Christ to their care receivers.

#### SAVE THE DATE!

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

March 1, Sunday: Youth Mission Trip Meeting. 11:15 pm. Youth Room.

March 4, Wednesday: Young Adult's Cincinnati Cyclones game. 7:00 pm.

March 5, Thursday: Dementia Inclusive Cincinnati Speaker Event & Lunch. 11:30 am. Great Hall. "Dealing with Isolation—Ways of Creating a Sense of

March 10, Tuesday: Young Adult's Taco Tuesday. 6:00 pm. Bojarski Home.

March 14, Saturday: Safe Church Training. St. Paul's, Dayton.

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

March 20, Friday: Youth Group Movie Night. 7:00 pm. Great Hall.

March 24, Tuesday: Young Adult's dinner gathering. 7:00 pm. Nine Giant Brewpub.

March 25, Wednesday: Feast of the Annunciation of our Lord Jesus Christ to the Blessed Virgin Mary. Holy Eucharist with Story Sharing. 6:00 pm. Chapel.

March 27, Friday: LGBTO+ Fellowship. 6:00 pm. Parlor.

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

April 3, Friday: Young Adult's Cincinnati Cyclones game. 7:30 pm.

**April 5, Sunday:** Palm/Passion Sunday.

**THEOLOGY CIRCLE MOVIE NIGHT** - The Theology Circle will view the movie "Griefwalker" **TODAY**, **February 23 at 6:00 pm in the Parlor**. This documentary is about Stephen Jenkinson who helps people understand death and how to live with that understanding. Discussion will follow. All are welcome. For more information, contact Ed Ewbank, edewbank@yahoo.com.

# LENT AT CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER

Telling the Truth about the Church and Race **Becoming Beloved Community** 



Lenten Forum: "Telling the Truth About the Church and Race". Sundays beginning March 1. 11:15 am. Great Hall. This five Sunday series will explore the role the Church has played in various phases of racial oppression.

Lenten Series: "Learning the Truth About the Church and Race through the **Sermons of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.**" Wednesdays beginning March 4, 6:30 pm Potluck, 7:00 pm Program. Great Hall. The Rev. Philip DeVaul facilitator. Together we will learn the truth about the Church and race using Dr. King's sermons from his book, "Strength to Love".

## Weekday Prayer and Worship offerings:

**Noonday Prayer:** Mondays and Fridays. 12:00 pm. Chapel. Morning Prayer: Tuesdays and Thursdays. 7:30 am. Chapel. Holy Eucharist: Wednesdays. 6:00 pm. Chapel.

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

For more information on suggested devotions and *Becoming Beloved* Community recommended reading visit the Church of the Redeemer Library or our website, redeemer-cincy.org.