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Greetings from Rev. Kate Ekrem

Dear friends,

Sometimes it feels like life is always about getting ready -- getting ready to go on a trip, getting ready for a big event, making plans for summer vacation, getting ready for a big presentation at work, getting ready for midterm exams. We do a lot of getting ready, which is not a bad thing. It's good to be prepared, to feel we're ready to take on whatever life has to offer.

The church has two seasons of "getting ready": Advent, which is getting ready for Christmas, and Lent, which is getting ready for Easter. Very soon we'll be entering the season of Lent. All our worship during Lent is about getting ready for Easter, getting ready for resurrection and new life.

What do we need to do to get ready for resurrection? What do we need to do to get ready to be awake, re-animated, refreshed, changed? Very often I meet with people who are near the end of life, and getting ready for the end of this earthly life and for their resurrection. I see them getting ready by picking out the hymns and readings they'd like for their burial service and by getting their will in order, but also by making sure that any cracked relationships



Greetings from Kate (cont'd)

in their life are mended, and especially by making sure they get to say what's on their hearts to those they love.

What might we learn from these wise folk? Maybe Lent is a time for us also to seek healing and mending for relationships, and to make sure we say what's on our hearts to those we love. Maybe we need time for quiet and solitude to figure out what those things might be, and to pray for God's healing in our lives. Maybe we need quiet and solitude and prayer to learn how God might be healing our hearts and calling us in new directions. I think those are all ways we "get ready" during Lent. Perhaps, in fact, the getting ready of Lent is a microcosm of our whole lives, getting ready for God's new life and healing. Because the more and more I hear the stories of the people of God, especially here at Redeemer, the more and more I notice: they are all stories of resurrection. We are an Easter people, and Lent is a reminder of that.

Wishing you a blessed, holy, and fruitful Lenten season. We are getting ready for something very good.

Peace,


Preparing for Easter**Begins Ash Wednesday, February 22**

Lent is a season for reflection and taking stock. Lent originated in the very earliest days of the Church as a preparatory time for Easter, when the faithful rededicated themselves and when converts were instructed in the faith and prepared for baptism. By observing the forty days of Lent, Christians imitate Jesus' withdrawal into the wilderness for forty days.

There are many individual approaches to renewal and self-reflection, including: fasting, experimenting with a new way to pray, reading the Bible or an inspirational book, taking on a service or mission project, or finding more time for silence and solitude.



Preparing for Easter (cont'd)

It is hoped that all Christians will begin their Lenten observance with participation in one of the Ash Wednesday services. Redeemer will hold Ash Wednesday services with the disposition of ashes at:

12:00 p.m. The Ash Wednesday Liturgy & Holy Eucharist II, no music

7:30 p.m. The Ash Wednesday Liturgy & Holy Eucharist II, with hymns

For those who work in downtown Boston, our Cathedral will hold Ash Wednesday service at 8am, 12 noon, and 6pm.

Special Service Sunday February 12: Camp!

Every summer many of our children and youth attend the Barbara C. Harris Camp in New Hampshire for a week of fun, friendship, worship, and learning. What do they do? What's it like? What kind of songs do they sing? Come and find out at our February 12 Special Service Sunday. We'll replicate (as much as we can without the campfire) summer camp worship. So **dress down** -- feel free to wear your jeans and campers, wear your camp t-shirts!

Our special guest preacher will be Sam Gould, Director of Youth Ministries for the Diocese of Massachusetts. Sam has been working at Camp in roles from counselor to chaplain for many years.

Join Sam and our Diocesan Youth Council deanery representative and youth vestry member Sarah Neumann after the service for an Adult Forum to learn more about diocesan youth ministries, from the Youth Leadership Academy to middle and high school retreats. There are many opportunities for our young people to learn and exercise leadership beyond the parish level.

If you have a child who may be interested in attending Camp, you can find out much more at www.bchcenter.org. Kate is currently tentatively planning to be a camp chaplain the week of July 30th. Please remember camperships are available to all Redeemer parishioners, making BCH Camp a very affordable option: see Kate to have your campership form signed.

Our March Special Service Sunday will be a meditative, Lenten service focused on the theme of healing. Please see Kate if you are interested in helping with that service.



Lent, Holy Week & Easter Schedule

Adult Christian Formation ~ Lent Series

Sundays 2/26, 3/4, 3/11, 3/18, 3/25

10:50-11:50am (*Unpacking the 39 Articles*)

Palm Sunday/Sunday of the Passion ~ April 1

8:00 am Holy Eucharist, Rite I

9:30 am Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Maundy Thursday ~ April 5

7:30 pm Holy Eucharist, Foot Washing, & Stripping of the Altars

9:00pm-9:00am Overnight Vigil Remembering Gethsemane

Come wait with us in prayer and meditation as we remember the agonized night Jesus spent in the garden of Gethsemane before his arrest.

Good Friday ~ April 6

10:00 am Stations of the Cross (appropriate for ages 5+) (The Stations of the Cross depict Jesus' journey from his trial to his tomb.)

7:30 pm Good Friday Liturgy with Solemn Collects & Veneration of the Cross

Holy Saturday ~ April 7

7:30 pm The Great Vigil of Easter, with Holy Eucharist and Baptism

This dramatic service ends the season of Lent and begins the joy of Easter.

Easter Sunday ~ April 8 (We celebrate the Resurrection of Jesus Christ!)

8:00 am Holy Eucharist, Rite I

10:00 am Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Easter Egg Hunt to follow 10:00 A.M. service (* Please bring your own Easter Basket! *)

* * No Christian Formation



Baptisms to be celebrated on April 7



In the early Christian church, baptisms were only celebrated once each year: at the Great Vigil of Easter, the eve before Easter Day. It is still a very special and important time to be baptized. This service begins with a bonfire, continues with candlelight, and includes the re-dressing of the altar that was stripped on Maundy Thursday. We then celebrate the first Eucharist of Easter.

If you have a child to be baptized this spring, or are an adult interested in baptism, please contact the clergy to begin to make arrangements for the April 7 baptisms. Just as a reminder, in the Episcopal Church we do not celebrate baptisms during Lent, which this year is February 22 through April 6. The next date for baptisms will be Pentecost, May 27.

Winter Storm Reminder

A reminder to let everyone know of our bad weather procedures. You can call the church office at 781-862-6408 or check for an email update to see if services are cancelled. Usually those are updated by 7am. You can also check the closings on WCVB/Channel 5.



It's our general policy not to cancel worship if the clergy can get here. However, that does not mean you have to be here! On stormy days, all those with official duties are excused. Often we hold worship but cancel choir, Christian Formation, coffee hour, and other non-worship events, and operate without acolytes or Liturgy Team. Please use your own judgment and only come to church if it's safe for you to travel.



All About Lent

Did you know??

- ❖ The word 'Lent' appears to have its beginnings in Anglo-Saxon, where the word means to lengthen, indicating that days are getting longer and spring is coming.
- ❖ Lent is thought to last for 40 days, although it is actually 46, as the Sundays are not counted.
- ❖ In French-speaking nations Shrove Tuesday is called Mardi Gras, which roughly means Tuesday of Fat!
- ❖ The church often uses colors for seasons. The color for Lent is purple, which means both sorrow because we do wrong, and royalty.
- ❖ Some churches decorate their church with grey banners and cloths for the whole season of Lent as a reminder of the grey ashes of Ash Wednesday.
- ❖ In the Middle Ages many Christians had the Ash Wednesday ashes sprinkled on their heads, and some wore rough sackcloth clothes to show they were sorry for what they had done wrong.
- ❖ Hot Cross Buns are eaten at Easter, with the cross shape as a reminder of Jesus' cruel death on a cross of wood. Buns were traditionally eaten by Greeks and Romans to honor their gods. Christians do the same to remember Jesus.
- ❖ Many places hold pancake races on Shrove Tuesday.
- ❖ The word 'Carnival' is derived from a Latin phrase meaning 'no meat;', and originally was connected with the three days of feasting and celebration before Ash Wednesday.
- ❖ Simnel cake, made with fruit and spices, is often eaten on Mothering Sunday. Traditionally it was made by children and given to their mother. Simnel cakes are eaten at Easter too. The cake sometimes comes decorated with 11 marzipan balls, one for each of the disciples. The 12th, Judas, who betrayed Jesus, is not included.

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About Lent

Lent is the Christian season that takes us from the end of winter through to Easter and is linked to the time when Jesus went for 40 days without food in the desert. It is a reminder that Jesus went through suffering to make him



and more trusting in Father God. Many people 'fast' during Lent, which means giving up food for a day or sometimes many days. The aim is to help use time and energy thinking about God, and to become cleaned out and pure.

During Lent there are a number of special days for Christians including Ash Wednesday, Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday and Good Friday. The beginning of Lent is marked by **Shrove Tuesday**. This was the day when everyone used up their best and richest food such as eggs and fat, to prepare for 40 days of limited, mini-meals! Shrove Tuesday has become known as 'Pancake Day', because traditionally pancakes used up the good food and made a feast to begin the season with. The word 'Shrive' means to confess, so people were encouraged to say sorry to God before the beginning of Lent itself.

Ash Wednesday follows the celebrations and feasting of the day before. In some churches (including Redeemer) ash is used to put a cross-shaped mark on the forehead of Christians to remind them of Jesus. The ashes used on Ash Wednesday are often from the burnt remains of the palm fronds used the year before at Palm Sunday.

Palm fronds are given out on **Palm Sunday** as a reminder of Jesus. They remind people that Jesus died and came alive again. Palm Sunday is the day when Jesus' ride into Jerusalem on a donkey is remembered, and people grabbed palm leaves off trees to wave at him in welcome.

Maundy Thursday comes the day before Good Friday. The word 'Maundy' is based on the Latin for command, remembering Jesus telling his friends to love one-another. Jesus and his friends met on Maundy Thursday before he died to have a feast celebrating the Passover. Their meal is sometimes called the Last Supper. The Last Supper is remembered in most churches with services called Holy Communion or Eucharist.

Good Friday is the day when Jesus' death on the cross is remembered. It is called 'good' because, when Jesus died, he paid the price for all the bad things people do – even you and me. So now we can be forgiven and start again.



All About Lent (cont'd)

Easter Day is the Sunday, when Christians celebrate Jesus rising from the dead. At Redeemer, the first celebration of Easter happens on the Saturday night before Easter at the **Great Vigil of Easter**, in a grand service that includes baptisms.

In the past (and even now) Christians were baptized on the Saturday before Easter, so Lent for them was a time of getting ready by fasting (not eating food), and praying. The modern version of Lent encourages us to give things up so that we have more time to concentrate on Jesus. It is a good thing to get our bodies cleaned up, which is why many people give up sweets or drinking at this time of year. But Lent is about allowing God to clean us up too. Some people do really good things during Lent to make a difference to others, or to change the world.

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Resources to dig deeper into Lent

There are many resources available for daily reflection and devotionals during Lent.

Copies of the "2012 Lenten Meditations" booklet from Episcopal Relief and Development will be available at the church beginning February 19.

Here are a few on-line and email resources that you might find inspirational.

Adults

"2012 Lenten Meditations" from Episcopal Relief and Development

These devotions were developed by Sister Claire Joy of the Community of the Holy Spirit in New York City. Available as a printed booklet (check in the entry-ways at the church) or as daily emails. To sign up for emails, visit

<http://www.er-d.org/Lent>

"Journey to the Cross"

Daily on-line devotionals are short and beautifully written, and accompanied by beautiful, meditative music. Supported by the Episcopal Church, among other ecumenical sponsors, the Lenten series is part of a year-round program – so you don't have to wait until Lent to begin! <http://www.d365.org>



“Beauty from Chaos”

The Advent blogs written by this group were mini-retreats: beautiful, thoughtful, provocative, even sometimes funny. <http://beautyfromchaos.wordpress.com/>

Podcasts

Pray as you go

Daily devotional podcasts. <http://www.prayasyougo.org>

The Daily Office

Podcasts of the Daily Office (Morning Prayer, Noonday Prayer, Compline) from The Episcopal Church. Each service is 5-15 minutes long. <http://www.episcopalchurchingarrettcountry.org/churchonthewebpage.htm>

Daily Podcasts of the daily services from the New Zealand Prayer Book

Podcasts of Morning Prayer and Evening Prayer from the New Zealand Prayer Book, which uses more gender-inclusive and creation-focused images. <http://david.guthrie.net.nz/podstream.xml>

Youth

“My Faith My Life”

This website has YouTube and audio files as well as short readings for Lent. It goes with a book by the same name that’s about Confirmation in the Episcopal Church, but you don’t have to read the book to use this website J <http://www.myfaithmylife.org/>

“Faith Lens”

This blog is written specifically for youth. It’s updated weekly with stories and questions that help bring the Bible to real life. Sponsored by the Evangelical Lutheran Church of America (ELCA). <http://blogs.elca.org/faithlens/>



All About Lent (cont'd)

General

“Keeping a Holy Lent”

A booklet that might be useful to help explain Lent, from the King of Peace Episcopal Church in Kingsland, GA. <http://www.kingofpeace.org/resources/lent.pdf>

“Lent 2011” (yes, I know that was last year)

From Church Publishing (the national Episcopal church publisher), a very comprehensive guide to Lent including history, activities, extended reference and reading lists. A 2012 edition may be forthcoming but is not yet posted as of the end of January.

<https://www.churchpublishing.org/media/custom/IN-Formation/Lent2011YearA.pdf>



Chief Assistant Easter Bunny Needed

For the past few years, Redeemer has held an Easter Egg Hunt after the 10:00am service for the children in attendance. In 2011, our Easter Egg Hunt Coordinator retired. In order for us to have an Easter Egg Hunt on Easter Sunday (April 8, 2012), we need a new Chief Assistant Easter Bunny.

What Redeemer can offer:

- assistance communicating with the congregation by using the weekly email/print announcements to ask for donations of eggs and goodies
- assistance inviting extra help to stuff eggs and/or hide eggs

What we would need from a Chief Assistant Easter Bunny:

- a commitment by March 1
- 6-10 hours of time between now and Easter Sunday
- coordination of announcements, collecting plastic eggs and goodies, filling and hiding eggs

If this sounds like something you could help coordinate for 2012, contact Sabeth (sabeth@our-redeemer.net). Thanks!

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper, February 21

Tuesday, February 21, 5:00-6:30pm

The Youth Group invites you to join us for Redeemer's annual Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper on Tuesday, February 21 from 5:00-6:30pm. Youth Group members will be cooking and serving pancakes and sausages, and a healthy bit of fellowship. There is a suggested donation of \$5 per person or \$20 per family. All proceeds will go to the Youth Group's Pots and Pans Fund. Don't miss this pre-Lent bash! Please contact Steve Burns ([978-663-5022](tel:978-663-5022)) with any questions.



Adult Christian Formation aka Adult Forum

Our Adult Christian Formation programs inform us about issues and concerns in our lives, our community and the world, AND help us consider how we respond to those issues and concerns as faith-filled Christians.

Adult Christian Formation meets Sundays from 10:50-11:50am, in the Great Hall or the Meeting Room on the lower level. We invite ages 13-113 to join us. Bring your coffee and a friend!

Upcoming Christian Formation Sessions

February 5 ***Mission & Advocacy*** Come learn about how you can make a difference in feeding the hungry. Justin Pasquariello from Children's HealthWatch will talk about major legislation that is coming before Congress in 2012, the Farm Bill, that will effect how we feed the hungry and how we grow our food. Justin will also discuss how each of us can make a difference in the outcome of the bill. This should be an exciting discussion of how our advocacy can impact millions of hungry people and your own table! The Children's Health Watch is affiliated with Redeemer's Mission partner The Grow Clinic.

February 12 ***Diocesan Camp and Youth Development programs*** Every summer many of our children and youth attend the diocesan Barbara C. Harris Camp in New Hampshire for a week of fun, friendship, worship, and learning. What do they do? What's it like? Join Sam Gould, Director of Youth Ministries for the Diocese of Massachusetts, and our Diocesan Youth Council deanery representative Sarah Neumann to learn more about diocesan youth ministries, from Camp to the Youth Leadership Academy to middle and high school retreats.

February 19 ***No Adult Formation***



Adult Christian Formation aka Adult Forum

February 26 ***Unpacking the 39 Articles of Religion*** We are delighted to have Bill Fortier again leading our Lenten series. Over the next five Sundays, he will help unpack the history and theology of the 39 Articles, and talk about what they mean to us today. Wondering what the 39 Articles are? Check out page 867 in the *Book of Common Prayer*. Join one, some, or all of these sessions – they promise to be interesting!

Committee Members needed

If you are interested in joining the Adult Christian Formation Committee to plan, sometimes create, and implement Adult Christian Formation programs here at Redeemer, please contact Sabeth. The current committee includes: James Surprenant, Melissa Morgan, Ian Fox, Susan Burkhardt, Sabeth Fitzgibbons.

Adult Christian Formation Contact Person: The Rev. Sabeth Fitzgibbons (sabeth@our-redeemer.net).



Christian Formation – Children and Youth

Christian Formation for ages 3 through 12th grade is held on Sundays from 10:50-11:50am. Nursery care is available for infants and toddlers (through age 4) from 8:30am-12noon so that parents can attend worship, Adult Christian Formation and fellowship time.

Sunday Evening Youth Group meets in the Great Hall from 5:30-7:15pm. Youth in grades 8-12 are invited to join us for fellowship as we prepare and eat dinner together.

Winter/Spring 2012 Schedule

The Winter/Spring 2012 Schedule for Children and Youth programming is now available on the Redeemer website – see the appropriate page for the age of your child.

Upcoming Dates to Remember

*** We have Sunday School/Atrium every Sunday unless otherwise noted! ***

- February 11** **Parent Meeting** for children ages 3 thru 5th grade, 10am-noon
- February 12** **Camp Sunday** – find out about diocesan Camp at Adult Formation
- February 19** **No Christian Formation programs – AM or PM**
- February 21** **Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper**, 5:00-6:30pm
(more info on **page 5**)
- February 22** **Ash Wednesday** services, 12noon and 7:30pm
- February 26** **Confirmation** Preparation begins

Registration Forms

All children and youth participating in Redeemer's Christian formation programs, even just once, need a Registration Form on file. Please visit the appropriate page (Children, Youth) on Redeemer's website (www.our-redeemer.net) to download a PDF file of the Registration Form you need. Completed forms can be returned to the church office. Thank you!!



Christian Formation – Children and Youth

Questions?

Age 3-5th grade – Evelyn Hausslein (ehausslein@rcn.com / 781-861-0378)

6th – 12th grade – the Rev. Sabeth Fitzgibbons (sabeth@our-redeemer.net)

Youth Group – Cathy Burns (hcburns@verizon.net / 978-663-5022)

Sign up NOW for Confirmation Preparation

Youth preparation for Confirmation begins on February 26, with sign ups already underway. In the Episcopal Church, Confirmation usually happens when a young person is 15 or older, in preparation for assuming full adult responsibilities in the eyes of the canon at age 16. Classes will be Sunday afternoons in Lent, from February 26 through April 1, with an all-day retreat on Saturday, April 21. The Confirmation service will be at St. Paul's Cathedral in Boston on Saturday, April 28. Alternate Confirmation service dates are available. To find out more or to get a Confirmation Registration form, contact the Rev. Sabeth Fitzgibbons (sabeth@our-redeemer.net).

Parent Meeting – Saturday, February 11

Christian Formation leaders at Redeemer are beginning to talk about a 5-year vision for Redeemer's children's Christian Formation program, and we need your input! If you have preschool and school age children, please reserve **Saturday, February 11 from 10:00am to 12noon** for a conversation about what parents want, need, and expect from Christian Formation programs. Childcare provided.



Mission Review

"In Christ there is no East or West, In Him no South or North; But one great fellowship of love throughout the whole wide earth."

In Christ There Is No East Or West

William Dunkerley and Alexander Reinagle

A wonderful way to help a neighbor in need

Please consider making a contribution to the Lexington Food Pantry part of your monthly (or weekly!) routine. As the holidays fade in the distance, the need of the Food Pantry's clients remains high. This is a wonderful way to support our neighbors. Simply drop off the items in one of the collection bins at COOR, in the side stairwell or by the office.



February's Item of the Month: 20-22 oz canned pineapple

An opportunity to help our neighbors who are farther afield

Is 2012 Your Year for El Hogar?

Trip dates: July 13-20, 2012

Redeemer will send its 7th group of volunteers to Honduras this summer to spend a week working and living side by side with the students and staff at the Agricultural School of El Hogar Ministries. This mission trip is open to adults and to teens 15 years old and up; often a teen and his/her parent volunteer together. Maximum group size is 15. There will be an informational meeting Sunday, February 12 at 7:30pm at church.

For more information or if you wish to go, contact: Jessie Maeck jmaeck@aol.com 781-863-8053; Bill Vocele vogelewi@gmail.com 781-863-5825



MUSIC



At the Lexington Choral Festival last Sunday, Redeemer's choir sang three selections: a Zulu praise song from South Africa "Singabahambayo," a setting of Wendell Berry's poem "Great Trees" by Peter and Mary Alice Amadon, and "Lord for Thy tender mercies' sake," by Richard Ferrant. The concert opened with the combined choirs singing Ralph Vaughan Williams arrangement for trumpets and choir of The Old Hundredth Psalm Tune, and ended in a grande finale with Randall Stroope's "Come Dwell in Solomon's Walls." Choir members are to be commended for their hard work on all of this repertoire (requested to sing their 3 pieces from memory!), while still keeping up regular January Sunday morning offerings.

Special kudos to the Atrium Singers for their rendition of "I Am the Church" on January 22nd. You just keep getting better and better!

On February 12th, the Atrium Singers, in combination with the Adult choir will offer "Yo soy la luz del mundo (I am the light of the world)" in observation of Special Service "Camp Sunday." This service will also include a number of camp favorites that Redeemer Youth have learned in summer camp over the years. Music for February 19th, as the last Sunday before Lent, will be filled with Alleluias. Murray Daniels and Mary Etta King will be filling in for Bernadette conducting rehearsals and playing services for Ash Wednesday, February 26th, and March 4th while she will be in Capetown, South Africa for a combination business-service-vacation trip with her son Jesse. Thank you, Murray and Mary Etta!

Looking ahead to Lent, Palm, and Easter season...

We are pleased to have engaged again trumpeters Jason Stein and Etyan Wurman and soprano Lisa Correnti for Easter Sunday April 8th.

SINGERS!! - it's not too early to consider joining the choir for Easter Sunday. We welcome you all. Let Bernadette or a choir member know if you are interested. Packets of music should be ready in early March.

Bernadette D. Colley



A Recipe from the Giving Garden

This is the time of year we think about eating hearty foods to keep us warm for the next few months. It is a time to slow down and look out at the squirrels and birds as they forage for food. Once we had to forage also, then we discovered planting and harvesting and how to store certain foods. Meats and fish were salted or smoked. Vegetables that could withstand the winter were stored in the root cellar where the temperature was cold, but above freezing. Root vegetables like carrots, potatoes, turnips, rutabagas, and parsnips could make it through the winter in the northern parts of Europe where months of cold weather prevented our ancestors from growing anything outside.

This year at Redeemer's Giving Garden, we again planted potatoes and carrots along with tomatoes, basil, parsley, peas and sunflowers, to name but a few. The children of Redeemer helped us plant the seedlings



During the growing season, many shepherds came to water, weed, and harvest all the plants in the beds.

Keira and Malcolm Fox were especially enthusiastic about making sure everything was watered (including Malcolm!).



The children at the Lexington Playcare Center helped “uproot” the potatoes and carrots.

Here they are with a load of potatoes that they then washed and gave to the Lexington food Pantry.



Thanks to everyone who grew seedlings, planted, tended, watered and harvested a total of 75 pounds of vegetables. And a special thanks to Donna Moulthrop, who so kindly became our “farmer” for the summer.

And now for this year’s root recipe:

Root Mash

1 pound each of potatoes, carrots and parsnips (you can substitute turnips for parsnips)

Enough milk and butter to make it tasty

A sprig of fresh thyme

Boil or steam all the root vegetables until they are very soft.

Put them all in a big bowl and mash the vegetables till they are really mushy. Add warm milk and a bit of butter.

Take all the tiny leaves off of at least one sprig of thyme and add to the mixture.

EAT!! MANGIA!! ¡¡COMEN!! MANGEZ!! ESSEN SIE!!



Calendar

February	Date	Event Details
Wednesday	1	7:30pm - Adult Choir Rehearsal
Thursday	2	7:30pm - Executive Committee Meeting
Saturday	4	9:00am - Liturgy Team Meeting 9:00am - 3:00 pm—Vestry Retreat
Sunday	5	8:00am - Holy Eucharist Rite I 8:30 - 9:15am - Choir Rehearsal 9:30am - Holy Eucharist Rite II, 10:45am - Christian Formation for children and youth 10:50am - Adult Christian Formation: <i>Mission</i> 12noon - Pastoral Care Team Meeting
Monday	6	7:30pm - Property Committee Meeting
Tuesday	7, 14, 21, 28	7:00pm - Efm class 7:30pm - Stewardship Committee Meeting
Thursday	9	7:00pm - Renewal of Ministry Celebration
Sunday	12	8:00am - Holy Eucharist Rite I 8:30 - 9:15am - Choir Rehearsal 9:30am - Holy Eucharist Rite II, 10:45am - Christian Formation for children and youth 10:50am - Adult Christian Formation: <i>Camp & Youth Ministry</i> 7:30 pm - Mission Meeting
Wednesday	15	7:30pm - Vestry Meeting
Sunday	19	8:00am - Holy Eucharist Rite I 8:30 - 9:15am - Choir Rehearsal 9:30am - Holy Eucharist Rite II 11:00am - Worship Committee meeting No Children, Youth or Adult Christian Formation
Monday	20	Office Closed - President's Day 7:30pm - Finance Committee meeting
Tuesday	21	5:00pm - Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper
Wednesday	22	12:00noon - Ash Wednesday Service 7:30pm- Ash Wednesday Service
Sunday	26	8:00am - Holy Eucharist Rite I 8:30 - 9:15am - Choir Rehearsal 9:30am - Holy Eucharist Rite II and Annual Meeting 10:45am - Christian Formation for children and youth 10:50am - Adult Christian Formation: <i>Unpacking the 39 Articles</i>
Monday	27	1:30pm - Cook for Bristol Lodge 7:30pm - Mission Committee Meeting

Please send all announcements by email to office@our-redeemer.net or for those without email, call or send to the church office, with "RF" clearly marked.

The **monthly deadline** for all Redeeming Features submissions is the **15th of the Month**.