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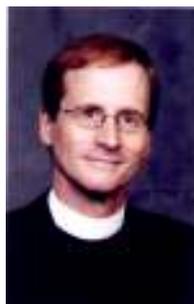
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The Normal Easter Life

From the Rector's Desk:

The Rev. Dorsey W. M. McConnell

Dear Friends in Christ;

In a recent sermon, Marc Eames contemplated the difficulty of celebrating Easter as a *season*. A single day of bonnets and trumpets and flowered crosses, one can easily celebrate, and with gusto. But *fifty* such days?

How can we manage it? Even the wonderful exclamation *Alleluia!* loses some of its panache across several weeks. By Pentecost we will be fraying around the edges with all this joy, ready to settle into something more, well, *normal*.

So contemplate with me, then, the further claim that Easter *is* normal—or normative—for Christians. We are called an “Easter people.” Our very identity is defined by the Resurrection. The great hymn *Pascha nostrum*, echoing the apostle Paul, declares,

*Christ being raised will never die again.
Death no longer has dominion over him.
The death he died, he died to sin, once for all.
But the life he lives, he lives to God.
So also consider yourselves dead to sin
And alive to God through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Alleluia.*

Upcoming Dates

Newton Open Studios

May 15th-16th

11-5 both days, Undercroft

Spring Fair Fundraiser

May 22nd-23rd

10-3 Sat., 12-3 Sun., Undercroft

Deanery Confirmation

May 22nd

10:00 am Church of the Good Shepherd-Waban

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From the Rector (Cont.)

So we are not called simply to *celebrate* the Resurrection over fifty days, but to *live* the Resurrection over a lifetime. As Nicodemus might have put it, *How can this be?*

Suppose we begin in the place we need the Resurrection the most and feel its power the least. As I write this, I am preparing to preach my mother's funeral, which will take place in three days. It will be my third funeral in two and a half weeks. I confess I am growing weary of death. Every morning, I wake with very little energy, and when I pray, the *alleluias* of the Easter antiphons turn to ashes in my mouth. It isn't that I don't believe in the Resurrection; I believe with all my heart. But the pall of death is heavy; as Isaiah says, it is *the covering that is cast over all peoples, the veil that is spread over all nations (25:7)*. We feel it as a weight that cannot be so easily cast off. We cannot talk ourselves out of the burden of grief any more than we can talk ourselves out of the flu or out of a broken ankle.

But the power, nonetheless, of the Resurrection pierces through this gloom. I don't mean it necessarily reaches our emotions. Sometimes we are in too much of a fog to feel it. I mean that the glory of this reality is

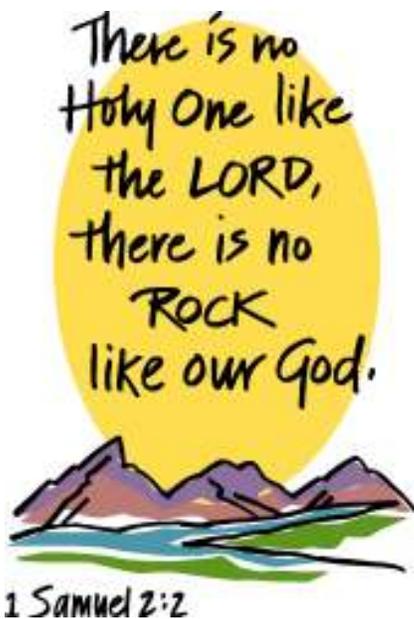
what we are actually walking on, what we are truly supported by, often without even knowing it. Paul, again, writing to the Church at Colossae, remarks concerning the risen Christ, *He is before all things, and in him all things hold together (Colossians 1:17)*. The reason the molecules that make up my hand do not

go spinning off into space, that my pulse goes from beat to beat—this is Christ, in his Resurrection, present in me, and through the entire created order. I know this is hard to get our minds around—for one thing, the notion that an event in time (an empty tomb on a particular Sunday morning, in A.D. 33, more or less) actually exists through and beyond all time. But that life which was, and is, *the light of men (John 1:4)*, actually does reign in us on the most basic level of our existence. This creating and prevenient grace holds us in life. It is when we become conscious of the fullness of this gift to us, of the mercy that is ours in the power of the Resurrection, claimed by faith, that our spirits become quickened, and that we can begin to walk again through life as a people marked by a new power, even when we are sad, or exhausted, or wondering how we will get through the next day, or the next hour. Strangely, what comes up to meet us in this moment, is joy, not the manic joy of a boisterous party, difficult to sustain for more than a day, but the deep joy of faith, of trust in a God who is stronger than all our troubles.

Over the last several days, I have read a lot of my mother's personal reflections in some of her journals. There were many hard years in her life. How she leaned on God to get through them! These days she was not carried either by a simple stoicism, or by a mindless optimism, but through faith in a God who raises the dead. That is the God I will preach at her funeral. That is the Christ who calls me into life. And when I think of Him, even through my tears, I give thanks and praise to God, and ask that He will make my life into one shining Alleluia to His glory.

May you all be richly blessed as we move through Easter and toward the fire of Pentecost. And may this glory become *normal* for us all.

Faithfully,



Youthful and Youth-Filled May

From the Curate

The Rev. Marc G. Eames

Dear Friends,

May is filled with important events.

Family Ministry has three very busy times during the church year. We have Advent/Christmas, Holy Week and Easter, and we have the month of May. May includes Youth Sunday, the Spring Fair (The youth and family mission fundraiser), confirmations, and the end of the program year Spring picnic. The youth have been working very hard all year and these events are a wonderful celebration of their ministries. These great events are a must-see for the parish.

Youth Sunday is a great tradition of the Church of the Redeemer. With the resurgence of our Children's Choir under the direction of Mary Reynders,

A Children's Choir rehearsal, taken in Fall 2008.



the youth have led all the singing in recent years. Each year I am so pleased to see the musical progress of the children. They become better and better singers as

they become more confident in leading the worship of Jesus Christ. I am very proud of their work, and I know that you will be too. Youth Sunday is also designed and led by our Church School and Youth Assistants who began meeting on April 25th to begin this work. A few of our high school seniors will also be speaking that Sunday.

Confirmation will take place with the rest of the Charles River Deanery at Church of the Good Shepherd—Waban on May 22nd at 10:00 am. Bishop Bud Cederholm is officiating.

I love to hear what is going on in the faith lives of our young people, and the youth Sunday speeches are a highlight of my year. I also enjoy sitting with my family in the pew as I watch the youth of our church lead us in prayer and worship. That is a real gift to me from the youth of the church. Please join us for Youth Sunday on May 16th.

The following weekend will be a very busy one. It begins on Saturday, May 22nd at 10:00 with the Confirmations of Hughey Auchincloss, Electra Walker, Elizabeth Brewster, Julia Gangemi, Ethan Foy, and Catherine Hanss. I have been teaching Confirmation classes for many years now, and this is the most high-energy group with which I have had the privilege of working. They are very excited to

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From the Curate (Cont.)

learn and experience God, and they love to be together.

This exciting atmosphere has led me to not get as much material covered as in past years, but their obvious affection for each other is a more important lesson on Christian love than I could teach them through a lecture. They have been a lot of fun, and I look forward to getting to know them better as adult leaders in the church. I am proud of all of them. I know 8th/9th grade is a tough time in a young person's life, and I have appreciated their commitment and dedication. I also really enjoyed our retreat to New York City this year, and I will not forget it.

Lastly, I come to our Spring Fair and Picnic on the weekend of May 22nd and 23rd. The Spring Fair will be a two-day event this year: Saturday from 10-3 and Sunday from 12-3. A portion of the proceeds from the vendors will go to youth and family mission activities. This fundraiser supports our Family Mission trips as well as outreach activity within our own diocese, like painting at St. Mark's, Dorchester, or Christmas Caroling at Sofia Snow House. This fair will be filled with interesting vendors (see notice on Page 13). Please come and support our mission fund.



The Spring Picnic on May 23rd after the 10:30 Eucharist is also great fun, and a wonderful way to catch up with friends before some families go off for the summer. Please note that this year the Spring Picnic follows the Pentecost service the week after Youth Sunday. Lunch will be available at the picnic, so there is no need to make lunch plans for that day. We will also have a root beer keg to make the day all the more festive. I look forward to seeing you there.

Yours in Christ,

Marc

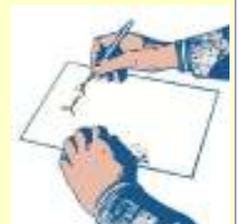


If you need a ride in order to attend Sunday services, or *any* service or activity at the Redeemer or one of our partners, please contact the office in advance of the event.

We would love to put you in touch on a case-by-case basis with someone who can offer you a ride.

We have some volunteers already available.

If you think your adult child might still be listed in our records but does not consider themselves a member, please contact the office so that we can update your family record. This helps us keep a more accurate count of our current membership.





Coming soon! A new Church of the Redeemer website!

From the Parish Administrator:

Laine Walters Young

Dear Redeemer Family,

As many of you know, a renovated website has been a goal of mine since I arrived here a year and a half ago. It is crucial to so many of our goals: making newcomers feel knowledgeable about the church as quickly as possible, advertising our wonderful concerts and rental spaces to the outside community, and providing a medium for publicizing events and activities information in a more accurate and timely fashion than we do now.

This dream and necessity is being brought to actualization this spring.

We have hired the design firm TheoryOneDesign to work with our staff and website committee to create a new church website over the next few months. TheoryOneDesign is a local firm which has designed many non-profit websites, including Boston Trinity Academy, Land's Sake in Weston, and Kaya Children International.

We hope to launch the site by the end of June, but I'm sure we will continue tweaking it over the summer so that it can be your go-to source for Redeemer information as of this fall.

As part of this process, **we are bringing in a professional photographer to take pictures of our community on May 16th, Youth Sunday, and May 23rd**, one of our baptism Sundays and the day of the parish picnic. While this will be a sizable expense, it has been budgeted for and will provide us with photography that we can use to advertise our church for at least the next 15 years.

AN IMPORTANT NOTE: If you do not want your picture taken on these Sundays, don't stay home!

Please speak with one of the staff in advance of these Sundays or in the weeks immediately following and we will delete any pictures taken of you from our new image library.

We are committed to not publishing anyone's picture against their wishes.

We have formed a website committee which will help TheoryOneDesign familiarize themselves with the church and its communication needs, as well as provide feedback on the firm's work at every step of the process.

The members are:

Erik Britt-Webb	Marc Eames
Leslie Horst	May Okongo
Starr Peteet	Tina Rowley
Sara Shelton	Karla Todd
Laine Walters Young,	Project Manager

As always, you can contact the church office with any questions.

Sincerely,

P.S. We may have a communications intern working in the office during June and July. Stay tuned for more information.

Not on our email list?



The Church of the Redeemer emails out announcements every Tuesday to a subscriber list.

This list is also occasionally used for weather-related and other urgent notifications.

If you'd like to be included on this list and are not already, email Laine in the office at:

office@redeemerchestnuthill.org

The email list also receives this monthly newsletter in electronic form. If you'd like to receive the newsletter **only** via email, contact Laine.

Vestry News — Service organizations report



From the Wardens

Steve Mead and Lucinda Doran Stern

Report from the April 13, 2010 Vestry meeting

“Therefore I tell you, her sins, which are many, are forgiven, for she has loved much: but he who is forgiven little, loves little.” Luke: 7.47

The third of a five-series Vestry Bible Study on Christian Leadership led by Dorsey opened with a discussion of **Love** as demonstrated by the sinful woman at the house of the Pharisees.

The Vestry expressed its appreciation for the dedication and hard work on the part of Dorsey, Marc, Michael, Mary, all the staff and volunteers that went into making the Lenten and Easter gatherings and worship services spiritually uplifting and truly very special events.

Charlotte Kline, President of the Church Service League, Laura Patton, Co-Chair of Outreach, and Megan Sampson, Head of the Altar Guild, presented formal reports to the Vestry. The Wardens and Treasurer Dick Tucker provided updates on Financial Administration and recent deliberations of the Finance Personnel and Policy (FPPC) and Stewardship Committees. Judy Bullitt and Mary Crown reviewed the format for the April 24th Vestry Retreat at Bethany House.



Church Service League and Outreach

Started over 50 years ago, the Church Service League (CSL) operates as a separate entity from the Church with its own officers and budget. Its financials are not included in the parish's operating budget. The CSL President (as with the Head of the Altar Guild)

serves as an *Ex-Officio* member of the Vestry.

Nearly all of the CSL's \$72,000 operating budget (estimate for calendar 2010) is raised from the Christmas Market. \$55,000 of CSL funds go to Outreach while \$15,000 supports our numerous fellowship and in-reach activities, including the Sunday coffee hours, Lenten and other special dinners, and lunches such as last fall's Authors' Lunch.

Charlotte Kline is finishing her very successful two-year term this June and Amy Weed will be assuming the Presidency.

The Outreach Committee has been ably led for several years by Laura Patton and Jim Huston. Laura will be stepping down in June and her replacement is being sought. The Committee evaluates the Church's Outreach grant recipients and makes recommendations to the Church Service League and Vestry how Outreach funds should be allocated in general.

The Redeemer's Outreach and Mission partners, which include St. Stephen's, Pilgrim - Uganda, Epiphany Middle School, Nativity Preparatory School, Ecclesia Ministries, and several youth, educational and food/shelter-related organizations will receive roughly \$73,000 in 2010. \$55,000 will be provided by last year's Christmas Market while approximately \$18,000 is expected to be raised from the Christmas and Easter offerings. World Concern will receive \$7,983 from this year's Easter offering to help pay for its post-earthquake work in Haiti.

Altar Guild

The Altar Guild is comprised of 29 members. Seven teams, with four to five people each, rotate over

seven weeks preparing the altar and worship spaces for the regular and special services. Megan Sampson, thanked by everyone for her care and dedication, will be stepping down in June and will be replaced by Debby Mills.



Sharon Gillespie
Financial Administrator

Stewardship and Administration

In April, a second stewardship letter will go out to parishioners who have not yet pledged for 2010 and personal follow-ups will follow. The pledges of \$677,000 that have been received to date are \$24,000 short of the 2010 stewardship budget of \$691,000. If parishioners who pledged in 2009 were to pledge the same amount for 2010, pledge income would be higher by \$45,000, bringing the Redeemer closer to its long-term goal of having stewardship cover operating expenses annually. Operating expenses in 2010 are projected to be \$905,000.

In accordance with Vestry approval at the March meeting, the job of Financial Administrator has been expanded to an 80% full-time position as of April. Transfer of financial and administrative responsibilities between staff and volunteers continues now at a faster pace with the expanded hours of the position.

Other areas of FPPC focus have been: establishment of policies and procedures concerning the use of a Mission fund separate from that of CSL, evaluation of clergy and staff total compensation, expansion of overall rental income, and instituting a process of peer-parish comparisons in a variety of areas.

The Redeemer Outreach program, funded by the Church Service League's Christmas Market, will give around \$73,000 in grants and other forms of financial support in 2010.



Church School News

From the Church School Director
Sarah Allen

6 full weeks of Eastertide and time for Pentecost

Welcome to May! We are deep in the Easter season as we teach the children the importance of Easter and what it means long after the Easter lilies have faded and the bright baskets have been put away. Many parents have been surprised to learn that the Easter season lasts for several weeks *after* Easter.

It also took many weeks to get *ready* for Easter; Lent is 6 weeks, which is longer than Advent. The Mystery of Easter is even greater than the Mystery of Christmas so it takes longer to get ready.

We have never really dug deep into this annual Eastertide leading into Pentecost here at the Redeemer. (We always wanted to teach other important stories as we were winding down the program). This year, due to where holidays have fallen this year, we will actually be able to teach about Pentecost and celebrate it together with our end-of-year Picnic!

Ahh -the mystery of Easter. We spent 6 weeks learning and discussing Lent while we were waiting for Easter and then ::poof:: we have Palm Sunday with the children upstairs for the reading of

the passion, and then it is Easter where we worship together in a glorious festival service.

In Church School we haven't had a chance yet to discuss the importance of Easter or what happens after Easter and how Jesus' followers witnessed his presence before the Resurrection.

We wanted to see what the children know. "How would you describe, in detail, the sequence of events during Holy Week?" Just how many details could they remember? The classes were given a blank, long, horizontal paper and told to fill in everything they knew about Holy Week- beginning to end- plus to write down what happened **AFTER** Easter.

The younger grades had a Godly Play lesson on the Mystery of Easter. This Easter review led us into teaching about the Road to Emmaus with Godly Play and a skit and then on to Jesus' interactions with the disciples and how they, the disciples, spread the Word far and wide. There are so many juicy ideas to talk about, plus we have to nail down the memorization of the Lord's Prayer (K/1), the 23rd Psalm (2nd/3rd), and the Apostle's creed (4th/5th) so the children can lead the

Each child has their own journal which they keep with them as they move up through Church School. It is in here they might write their thoughts about a discussion, copy a favorite prayer or poem and write out the prayers they need to memorize or even doodle as they listen to a story. The older ones always love to see what they wrote and their penmanship when they were "way back" in 2nd grade. This is their personal book that stays at church throughout their Church School journey.



congregation in these important pieces of our faith during Youth Sunday. The 6th and 7th graders will have other reading roles in the service.

Please mark your calendars and join us for Youth Sunday on May 16th. This is a beautiful service designed by our graduating seniors. Let's give thanks and praise for the children of the Redeemer and listen to their voices in prayer and song on May 16th.

Blessings to you all for a Peaceful May,

Sarah

May Calendar



Sunday, May 2nd

10:15 am chapel + Church School
Mini-Walk for Hunger around the
Neighborhood

Sunday, May 9th

10:15 am chapel + Church School

Tuesday, May 11th

9:00 am Church School Committee
(All are welcome to attend.)

Sunday, May 16th Youth Sunday

10:15 am All youth ages 3 years
old and up involved in leading the
Morning Prayer service

Sunday, May 23rd

10:15 am chapel + Church School
11:45 am Parish Picnic

Knowing God: An Exploration of Faith

2009-2010 Adult Education Series



Next Session: May 5th

Light Dinner at 7:00 pm, Program at 7:30 pm
at the Rectory

Come for the whole series, or just a session.

Newcomers are ALWAYS welcome!

Please sign up in the office every month so that we can plan for food.



BIBLE STUDY WITH THE RECTOR

SONG OF THE SOUL: The Psalms of Ordinary Life

Join us for 75 minutes of study, conversation and prayer at the Rectory as we look at the Psalms of the Old Testament, their significance in the work And teaching of Jesus, and their power in daily life.
There is always great coffee and warm fellowship.

Men's Bible Study, Wednesdays, 7:00 am
Women's Bible Study, Thursdays, 9:00 am



We have a few adjustments in the remaining Confirmation classes. The Confirmation class is running a little behind schedule. I have been condensing classes for the past few months in order to catch up, but we will still need an extra class to finish. Please note that I have added two classes and taken one away (due to the rescheduling of our Friday night Confirmation Retreat.) The Confirmation Retreat will be an overnight in the church. We will have some retreat time as well as play some games.

Spring Confirmation Dates

4/25	5:00 pm	Sacraments
5/2	5:00 pm	Sacraments
5/7-8	5:00 pm	Confirmation Retreat (at church)
5/16	10:30 am	Youth Sunday (Confirmands will be honored during the service)
5/16	5:00 pm	Your Ministry
5/22	10:00 am	Confirmation (Good Shepherd, Waban – Bishop Bud Cederholm is the scheduled Celebrant)

Youth Bible Study



The Youth Bible Study will be wrapping up the program year in May with some fun and a continued look at the book of II Kings. We will finish the year by reading about the siege of Samaria and how the Lord saved the people of Israel from the Arameans. We will also read about the restoration of the Shunammite woman who Elisha has met before. We will also discuss issues around chronology in the Bible. We conclude the year with a full session of Bible Jeopardy on Youth Sunday.

May 2 nd	II Kings 6 The Aramean Siege
May 9 th	II Kings 7 The Restoration of the Shunammite Woman and Issues of Biblical Chronology.
May 16 th	Bible Jeopardy – Review of I and II Kings

T-Shirt Fundraiser



Youth-designed T-Shirts will be available on Youth Sunday and Pentecost Sunday.

Last year's shirt designed by Sydney Reynders was awesome, so come and see this year's shirt on Youth Sunday! All the proceeds will go to the mission fund for youth and family activities that support the Redeemer's mission statement to bring Christ to all people.

Coming to the Church of the Redeemer

Featuring parishioners Anne Grandin, Sandy Mueller-Dick,
and Nancy Simonds Shaw

*10% of proceeds go to local charities,
including the Redeemer outreach budget*



ANNE D. GRANDIN



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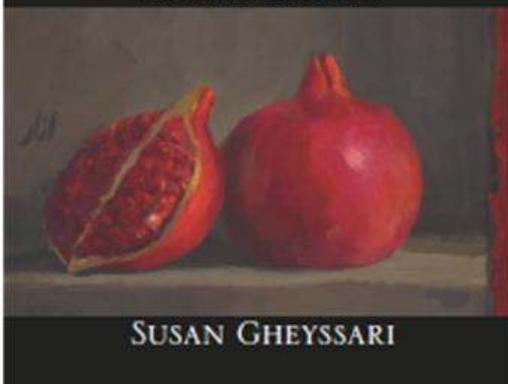
SANDY MUELLER-DICK



BONNIE LERNER



NANCY SIMONDS



SUSAN GHEYSARI

NEWTON
OPEN STUDIOS

MAY 15TH & 16TH
11AM TO 5PM

ART FOR YOUR HOME AND OFFICE

Spring Fair

Mission Fundraiser

**Saturday, May 22nd from 10-3
and Sunday May 23rd from 12-3**

Redeemer Undercroft

Open to the public both days



Our annual Spring Fair raises money to support Redeemer mission projects, particularly summer mission trips to the Gulf Coast to help rehabilitate individual homes post-Hurricane Katrina.

This spring fundraiser is in its third year, and its first year as a two-day event.

Over fifteen vendors will offer spring-themed merchandise with an eye towards graduations and Father's Day.

They include:

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| Canonica Verde (Italian olive oil & honey) | MRR Design (padded picture frames and noteboards) |
| Capriccio Arts (visual art) | MY Design (decoupage) |
| Circa Design (gemstone jewelry) | Nest Gift Shop of Dedham |
| Dean's Sweets (chocolate) | Simply Made (quilts and handmade cards) |
| Dede Cadieux (beaded and pearl necklaces) | Sumner P. Bennett (Shaker Style boxes) |
| Giardini di Sole (Italian ceramics) | Tina Lang Creations (moderately priced custom jewelry) |
| Janet Egan (silk jackets) | Whitney Prints (framed antique prints) |
| Margaret Remensnyder Illustration | |
| Miatela Studio (scarves and textiles) | |

Mission Partner Update



Daring to be a Voice and Beacon of
Hope for Africa

www.pilgrimafrika.org

Pilgrim was founded as an indigenous Christian response to the plight of more than 1.5 million refugees living in internally displaced persons (IDP) camps in the war torn regions of Northern Uganda. Pilgrim's work reaches more than 500,000 households through a broad spectrum of community programs in north and eastern Uganda. Pilgrim has approximately 100 full-time employees and 200 volunteers spread across offices in Kampala and Soroti, Uganda, Lusaka, Zambia, Harare, Zimbabwe and South Africa and its Seattle headquarters. The Agathos Foundation has entrusted Pilgrim to run its African operations.

Beacon of Hope College

Daily life continues. Chalk is being used up as lessons are taught, teachers are preparing final exams (the first term finishes at the end of April), breakfast, lunch and supper are being prepared daily, and a few students are treated for malaria.

Joys

- As orphans from refugee camps, the school's top boy and girl students are exactly the kind that BOH has been targeting since inception. The boy is also ranked highest in the entire region, and five graduates from the last class received government scholarships to attend university.
- The school's soccer team went to the quarter finals in the Soroti area eight day soccer competition. The Church of the Redeemer team was soundly defeated by these same students during last year's visit.
- Dorothy, Deputy Executive Director of Teso University, is just back from her first visit since the Redeemer team was there. She said the improvements made by the Redeemer team were palpable, and that the whole feeling and sense at the school was just lighter and more positive.
- New energy efficient cook stoves are being installed - they use much less wood, which is in short supply, and will be much better for the environment.

The School's Old "Stoves"



The New Stoves



Challenges

- For 8 days there was low voltage or no electricity so the school depended on the generator for stable electricity for the photocopier and computer.
- After a wind and rain storm, the walls of the pit latrine (outhouse) at the school collapsed and will need to be rebuilt. Quick action resulted in a temporary fix through reopening an old latrine.

Worship

- Daily lunch hour worship continues, encouraging students. The Scripture Union's 100-150 students have lots of fervor, meeting 10 minutes daily and longer several times a week.
- The new chaplain is a winner, very likable and involved and motivating.
- The second Prayer and Fasting Day for the term had the theme "Enemies of the Cross". The teachings were wonderful and worship was full of passion, with 90 students in a single classroom singing with everything they had.

Agriculture & Environment

- The BioSan water filter programs are doing very well. Pilgrim's training programs have attracted much attention. Success in these partnerships with the local villages enables Pilgrim to qualify for consideration of higher levels of funding from international agencies.
- The BioSan program also has appealed to churches, which are eager to pursue this as part of their evangelism.
- Officials from Makerere University in Kampala were very impressed when they visited two of the Multi-Function Platform machine sites to see the strides those farmer cooperatives had made in implementing the MFPs. In addition to processing their own products, by their own empowerment those cooperatives are now earning money by processing neighbors' crops.

Water after and before the BioSan Filter



Students at Beacon of Hope husking corn grown on the School's farm



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Pilgrim-Africa Report Continued

Lord's Resistance Army

- Many of us were saddened to hear that the LRA killed at least 321 civilians and abducted 250 others, including at least 80 children, during a previously unreported four-day rampage in northeastern Democratic Republic of Congo in December 2009.
- Calvin Echodu began Pilgrim after witnessing the plight of those affected by the LRA when it was in NE Uganda. Much of the region's population were relocated to IDP camps for safety reasons, then neglected and forgotten, with no access to food, medical care, counseling, jobs or any reminder of God's compassion for them.

Prayer Requests

- That the grant requests and the Letters of Inquiry submitted by the Seattle office to foundations be given favor; that God would move the grant administrators at these funders to award grant monies, not only to fund programs, but to help Pilgrim establish a grant reception track record. About 10 grant proposals have also been submitted to various in-country funders.
- That grants for work in Uganda from the Christian group Trinity Wall Street Foundation will materialize.
- Praise for the progress at the school.

Parish Spring Picnic May 23rd



After the 10:30 am Holy
Eucharist, in the parking lot

Mother's Day Flower Sale



At Coffee Hour
May 9th

*All proceeds go to
support the mission fund.*



Can You Help Coordinate Lunches for the St. Stephen's B-SAFE Summer Camp Training Week?

Volunteers needed for three days at the end of June

The Church of the Redeemer would like to be responsible for the lunches for the training week for the St. Stephen's B-SAFE Summer Camp (for low income inner city children in Boston). In order to do this, we need Redeemer volunteers!

Volunteer Coordinator Requirements

- Help plan and organize lunch for 3 days: June 28 – June 30 (if we have 3 coordinators, each coordinator can be responsible for one day) for approximately 150 people attending the B-SAFE training camp at the Epiphany School in Dorchester.
- Coordinate and organize Redeemer volunteers for the 3 days of lunches.

Please contact Laura Patton (laurated@rcn.com or 617-232-5175) if you can help or have any questions or need further information. St. Stephen's B-SAFE Summer Camp program relies heavily on volunteers and we need your help. B-SAFE is a wonderful program for low income inner city children and it is rewarding opportunity to help with B-SAFE!

If you are interested in helping with the B-SAFE lunches during training week please let us know as soon as possible so we know if there is an interest by the parish to support this effort- thank you!

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CALL 617-566-7679 OR EMAIL OFFICE@REDEEMERCHESTNUTHILL.ORG



FEATURING EMANUEL AX
and Members of the Boston Symphony Orchestra
AMERICAN-JAPANESE
CULTURAL CONCERT SERIES II

ALL-MOZART PROGRAM

FRIDAY, APRIL 30, 2010

8:00 PM

PIANO QUINTET IN E-FLAT, K. 452

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart (1756-1791)

OBOE QUARTET IN F MAJOR, K. 370

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart (1756-1791)

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Choral Evensong & Organ Recital

SUNDAY, MAY 23RD at 5:00 PM

Chamber Choir of the Church of the Redeemer
Michael S. Murray, *Organist & Choirmaster*
The Rev. Dorsey W. M. McConnell, *Officiant*
Stuart A. Forster, *Recital Organist*

*Featuring music by John Stainer, Charles Villiers
Stanford, Robert Lehman, and others. Stuart
Forster will be performing works by J.S.B..*



SUMMER SERVICE

9:30 AM

JUNE THROUGH
AUGUST

Church School through June 20th

Our Spring 2010 Baptism Date

is May 23rd
during the 10:30 Holy Eucharist

*We are still taking applications for
that baptism date, and future dates.*

Upcoming dates: November 7,
2010 & January 9, 2011

SERVICE ASSISTANTS' SCHEDULE

MAY 2010

<p>Sunday, May 2nd Holy Eucharist 10:30 am</p>	<p>Server: TBD Acolytes: S. McEachern, J. Paolella Lectors: K. McEachern, P. Burnham LEMs: E. Davis, J. Paolella Ushers: F. Lloyd (Head Usher), G. Scott, W. Dick, D. McEachern Greeters: D. Tucker, L. Meeks</p>
<p>Sunday, May 9th Holy Eucharist 10:30 am</p>	<p>Server: J. Gangemi Acolytes: C. Pollard, TBD Lectors: R. Schmalensee, N. Moriarty LEMs: P. Burhnam, M. Finley Ushers: G. Mills (Head Usher), C. Cooney, P. Reiser, D. Tucker Greeters: TBD, TBD</p>
<p>Sunday, May 16th Youth Sunday Morning Prayer 10:30 am</p>	<p>Server: B. Mills Acolytes: Z. Mills, S. McEachern Lector: Youth TBD Ushers: D. Brewster (Head Usher), S. Hurlbut, P. Bianchi, M. Aylward Greeters: G. Murphy, K. Murphy</p>
<p>Sunday, May 23rd Holy Eucharist with Baptisms 10:30 am</p>	<p>Server: B. Mills Acolytes: S. Mills, C. Pollard Lectors: T. Contos, L. Dahmen LEMs: D. Mills, S. Westcott Ushers: D. Schmalensee (Head Usher), R. Schmalensee, J. Grandin, G. Scott Greeters: D. Tucker, G. Mills</p>

SERVICE ASSISTANTS' SCHEDULE (CONT.)

MAY 2010

<p>Sunday, May 23rd Evensong 5:00 pm</p>	<p>Server: TBD Lectors: L. Horst, L. Doran Stern Ushers: M. Aylward (Head Usher), TBD Greeters: G. Murphy, K. Murphy</p>
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are given to the
Glory of God and

Altar lilies for the Easter Eucharists on April 4th were given in honor or in loving memory of dozens of parishioners by family and friends.

The Altar Guild thanks everyone for their donations.

April 11th — in loving memory of **Othar and Ebbie Zaldastani** by the Friday Morning Women's Bible Study

April 25th— in loving memory of **Leslie Eckel**

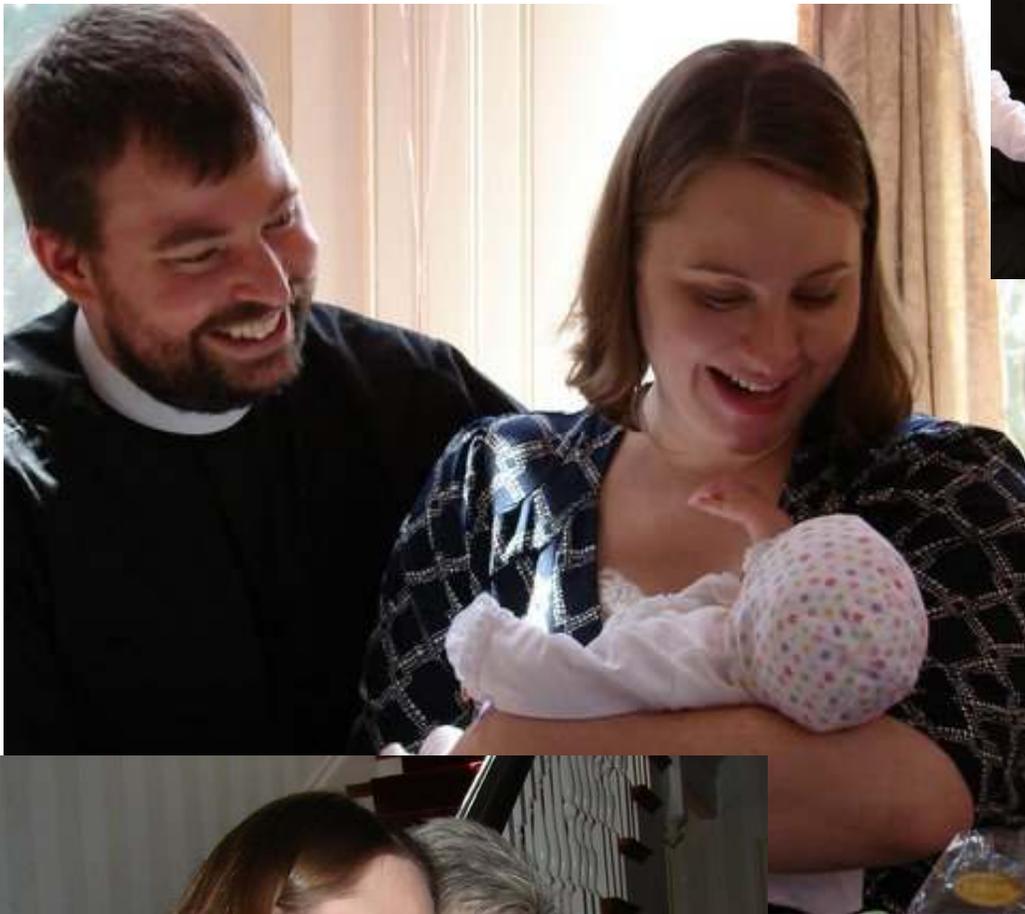
SORROWS

Our hearts go out to the families of the recently deceased:

- Donald Wallace Henry (father of Paul Henry)
- Tito Mejia
- Robert P. Bainbridge



We celebrated the latest addition to
the Eames' family at the Rectory,
April 11th



Margaret Anne
Eames
"Maggie"
Born March 8,
2010



Over forty "women of the Redeemer" attended the baby shower held by Betsy McConnell. Gretchen was buried in gifts and adoration for all Marc's hard work and dedication to the Redeemer family. Beef stifado, prepared by Dorsey and Betsy on Saturday, was served along with salad and cake. Marc took care of Maggie



while Gretchen opened her mountain of gifts (seen above). Betsy concluded the luncheon with some affirming comments about her own experience raising a “preacher’s/pastor’s kid” in response to Marc’s sermon that morning, and wished the young family all the best.



A limited number of Spring 2010 Directories will be available at the church office sometime in May.

Please make sure to take one if you have joined the church in the past two years or have not picked up a copy in recent years. We also have plastic binders for those who don't already have one.

If you have *changes* for the directory, please contact the office and they will be included in the next printing, scheduled for October 2010.

If you notice that this directory is much shorter than in years past—you’re right! We are trying to make the upcoming Website (scheduled to launch this summer) our new and primary source for reliable church information. You can always contact Laine in the office for a paper version of anything you would like to know.

From the Archives

*"...we will take heart for the future
Remembering the past." T.S. Eliot*

THE 36th YOUTH SUNDAY

May is full of special occasions. Liturgically there is the Ascension, Pentecost, and Trinity Sunday. For young people, there is the **mini walk for hunger**, the "**May Fair**" (now called the Spring Fair) to raise funds for mission and youth programs, **baptisms** when we welcome the youngest persons into our church family, the **Deanery Confirmation** for those who have been preparing all this year, and then there is **Youth Sunday** on May 16th.

Youth Sunday began in 1975. The Rev. Don Bitsberger wrote, "Once a year, we turn over the reins of the 10:30 service to the young people of the Redeemer. In many respects, this visible celebration hardly bespeaks of the level of involvement, enthusiasm and energy that the youth bring to this parish. As youth choir members, acolytes, servers, church school teachers, child care workers, Youth Corps members, our young people make great contributions to the vitality and spirit of our life together and they deserve our heartfelt appreciation". **Youth Sunday** was an outgrowth of the Youth Forum which began in 1967 and has continued in one way or another under a variety of names, depending on the Curate.

In the past few years some of our youth have served as lectors and ushers at our All-Parish Eucharist Sundays, but it was in 1975 when the youth were first responsible for the entire Morning Prayer service once a year, including the sermon. The children's choirs took care of some of the mu-

sic, although the senior choir still participated. For the past few years the children's choirs have taken over **all** the music for **Youth Sunday**.



The first "preacher" on **Youth Sunday** in 1975 was a high school senior, George Baker; Julia Talcott was the second in 1976 and "became the first 'woman' preacher to ascend the Redeemer's pulpit." Our fourth Youth Sunday speaker in 1978 was Neil Swinton III who spoke about the love of family and related it to the extended family of the Church of the Redeemer. Beginning in 1986, there were usually two or three speakers (but not always), which meant that there were two or three short talks instead of one sermon and it also allowed more people to participate.

Youth Sunday is a time to celebrate the accomplishments and service of all of our young people (all 170 of them), from the youngest to those who will be graduating from high school this year.

- Jody Castello

2010 Youth Sunday Preachers:

**Albina Sveda, Anna Porter,
and possibly others!**

**Come hear them Sunday, May 16th
at 10:30 am Morning Prayer.**

Youth Sunday “Preachers”

- 1975—George Baker
- 1976—Julia Talcott
- 1977—Paul Russell
- 1978—Neil Swinton
- 1979—Julia Kosasky
- 1980—Paula Lozano
- 1981—Gregory Keating
- 1982—Linda Runyon
- 1983—Hans Brigham
- 1984—Claire Ryan
- 1985—Leonard Colman
- 1986—James Perry and Julieta Lozano
- 1987—Art, Music, Drama by
Vicki O’Connell, Florencia Lozano and
Benedicamus Domino by the Brass Quintet with
Chris Travers
- 1988—John Finley IV
- 1989—Valerie Anderson
- 1990—Victoria Wilde
- 1991—Schuyler Coppedge and
Andrew Hack
- 1992—Christina Ursul and
Samantha Carr-Locke
- 1993—Jay Grandin and
Carolyn Hack
- 1994—Heidi Notman and
Sara Mai Conway
- 1995—Sarah Snyder
- 1996—Louisa Grandin and
Cassandra Johnson
- 1997—Jamie Notman and
Hilary Conway
- 1998—Special Music Liturgy
- 1999—Carolyn Avery, Nasran Garan
and Sarah Schoettle
- 2000—Chase Johnson, Jeffrey Westcott
and Andrew Zook
- 2001—Brooks Reece and Abbie Johnson
- 2002—Emily Haydock and Andrew McNay
- 2003—Ned Murphy, Nick Reece and
Lyman Johnson
- 2004—Laura Allen, Harry Bailey,
Emma Murphy and Ben Bullitt
- 2005—Alex Zook
- 2006—Ashley Haydock, Serena Marston
- 2007—Charlotte Allen, Andrew Brewster,
and Wren Huston
- 2008—John Kline
- 2009—Emily Sampson and
Macklin Anderson



Youth and Family Fellowship Event

Big Apple Circus

When: Saturday, May 8th Time: Leave church at 12:00 pm

Bello the clown is back for the latest production under the big top. The Big Apple Circus is in town, and the Church of the Redeemer has seats reserved. We have ringside seats on May 8th at 12:30.

Signups outside the Rector's Office or with the Curate—You must sign up in advance to get a ticket!

Redeemer Events

Spring and Summer 2010

MAY

- 2 Mini-Walk for Hunger, Neighborhood (Church School -10:15 am)
- 5 Knowing God- An Exploration of Faith - 7:30 pm*
- 15,16 Newton Open Studios - 11-5 both days
- 16 Youth Sunday
10:30 Morning Prayer
- 22-23 Spring Fair, 10-3 Sat. 12-3 Sun.
- 22 Deanery Confirmation
Church of the Good Shepherd, Waban—10:30 am
- 23 Pentecost
Feast of Pentecost and Baptisms during service
Parish Picnic to Follow
- 23 Evensong - 5:00 pm**
- 30 Summer Schedule Begins: Trinity Sunday
Holy Eucharist - 9:30 am (through September 5th)
Lemonade to follow

JUNE

- 6, 13, 20 Church School & Holy Eucharist - 9:30 am

- 27 Holy Eucharist- 9:30 am
(Childcare Only. Church School resumes September 12th)
Lemonade to follow

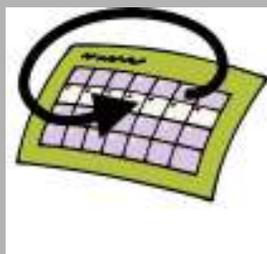
JULY & AUGUST

- All Sundays
Holy Eucharist - 9:30 am
Lemonade to follow

SEPTEMBER onward

- 12 Holy Eucharist - 8:00 am
Church School Chapel (K-7th grade) - 10:15 am
Holy Eucharist - 10:30 am
Coffee Hour to follow

- * Supper 1/2 hour before
- ** Reception afterward



Redeemer News Submissions

All parishioners are invited to submit articles or information for the *Redeemer News*. Submissions are due the 15th of every month, preceding publication. Anything not submitted by the 20th of the month (excluding week-ends) will not be included for publication. Email articles or questions to Laine: office@redeemernestnuthill.org

May 2010

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>25 Fourth Sunday of Easter 8:00 AM Holy Eucharist 9:00 AM Parish Choir Rehearsal 9:30 AM Children's Choir Rehearsal 9:40 AM Youth Bible Study 10:15 AM Childcare Provided /No Church School 10:30 AM All Parish Eucharist 11:45 AM Coffee Hour 2:00 PM Memorial Service for Leslie Eckel 5:00 PM Confirmation Class</p>	<p>26 10:00 AM Choir Rehearsal 11:00 AM Memorial Service for Robert P. Bain-bridge</p>	<p>27 7:30 PM Outreach</p>	<p>28 Clergy Conference on the Cape 8:30 AM Morning Prayer and Healing Service</p>	<p>29 Clergy Conference on the Cape</p>	<p>30 Clergy Conference on the Cape 5:00 PM Norman-Muccifiori Wedding Rehearsal 8:00 PM American-Japanese Cultural Concert</p>	<p>1 5:00 PM Norman-Muccifiori Wedding</p>
<p>2 Fifth Sunday of Easter Reedeemer Mini-Walk for Hunger 8:00 AM Holy Eucharist 9:00 AM Parish Choir Rehearsal 9:30 AM Children's Choir Rehearsal 9:40 AM Youth Bible Study 10:15 AM Childcare Provided 10:15 AM Church School Neighborhood Walk for Hunger 10:30 AM Holy Eucharist 11:45 AM Coffee Hour 5:00 PM Confirmation Class</p>	<p>3 9:00 AM Church Service League 7:00 PM Support Group Rental</p>	<p>4</p>	<p>5 7:00 AM Men's Bible Study 8:30 AM Morning Prayer and Healing Service 7:00 PM Supper 7:30 PM Knowing God: An Exploration of Faith</p>	<p>6 9:00 AM Women's Bible Study</p>	<p>7 6:30 PM Confirmation Retreat (at the church)</p>	<p>8 11:00 AM Confirmation Retreat Ends (at the church) 12:00 PM Big Apple Circus</p>
<p>9 Mother's Day Sixth Sunday of Easter 8:00 AM Holy Eucharist 9:00 AM Parish Choir Rehearsal 9:30 AM Children's Choir Rehearsal 9:40 AM Youth Bible Study 10:15 AM Church School/Childcare Provided 10:30 AM Holy Eucharist 11:45 AM Coffee Hour</p>	<p>10</p>	<p>11 9:00 AM Church School Committee 11:00 AM Staff Meeting 11:30 AM Worship Committee Meeting 7:30 PM Vestry - Church School Reporting</p>	<p>12 7:00 AM Men's Bible Study 8:30 AM Morning Prayer and Healing Service</p>	<p>13 Ascension Day 9:00 AM Women's Bible Study 3:30 PM Alkar Guild Eucharist 4:00 PM Alkar Guild Semi-Annual Spring Meeting</p>	<p>14</p>	<p>15 Newton Open Studios Redeemer News Deadline</p>
<p>16 Sunday after the Ascension Youth Sunday 8:00 AM Holy Eucharist 9:30 AM Children's Choir Rehearsal 9:40 AM Youth Bible Study 10:15 AM No Church School/No Childcare Provided 10:30 AM Morning Prayer - Youth Sunday 11:00 AM-5:00 PM Newton Open Studios 11:45 AM Coffee Hour 5:00 PM Confirmation Class</p>	<p>17</p>	<p>18 8:00 AM Chestnut Hill Garden Club Meeting and Lunch 11:30 AM Holy Eucharist at Fox Hill 12:00 PM Lunch at Fox Hill</p>	<p>19 7:00 AM Men's Bible Study 8:30 AM Morning Prayer and Healing Service</p>	<p>20 9:00 AM Women's Bible Study 6:30 PM Pre-Baptism Family Meeting</p>	<p>21 11:00 AM Event Setup</p>	<p>22 8:00 AM Spring Fair Setup 10:00 AM Deanery Confirmation-Church of the Good Shepherd, Waban 10:00 AM Spring Fair 4:00 PM Chamber Choir Rehearsal</p>
<p>23 Pentecost 8:00 AM Holy Eucharist 9:00 AM Parish Choir Rehearsal 10:15 AM Church School/Childcare Provided 10:30 AM Holy Eucharist and Baptisms 11:45 AM Parish Picnic 12:00 PM Spring Fair 5:00 PM Evensong</p>	<p>24 5:45 PM Preschool Annual Family Dinner</p>	<p>25 11:00 AM Staff Meeting 11:30 AM Worship Committee Meeting 12:00 PM Staff End-of-Year Luncheon 7:30 PM Outreach</p>	<p>26 7:00 AM Men's Bible Study 8:30 AM Morning Prayer and Healing Service</p>	<p>27 9:00 AM Women's Bible Study</p>	<p>28</p>	<p>29</p>
<p>30 Beginning of Summer Schedule; Trinity Sunday 9:30 AM Holy Eucharist 10:45 AM Lemonade</p>	<p>31 Memorial Day Office Closed</p>	<p>1</p>	<p>2</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>4</p>	<p>5</p>

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