

# **Redeemer Review**

## **The Episcopal Church of the Redeemer**

### **October, 2008**

#### **From our Interim Vicar:**

Dear Friends,

On Monday September 22, 2008, the Reverend Canon Michael Barlowe met with the Bishop's Committee to discuss our time as we begin the search for a permanent vicar. He checked in with the state of our community. He also wanted to invite our community to explore area ministry as the first part of our search process.

Area Ministry is a mission strategy for organizing ministries in the Diocese of California into more vital and creative agents of transformation. Through careful discernment and outreach, Area Ministry teams identify neighborhood challenges and seek innovative contemporary solutions. Building on the ancient understanding of "parish" as a geographic designation, Area Ministry leverages resources by bringing churches, social and cultural institutions, and people together. Area Ministry leads spiritual growth and fresh expressions of mission ministry, both inside the church and outside the church. Area Ministry is mission directed outward.

This first stage of the our process would require that we form a discernment committee that would work on a self-study of Redeemer and how we would practice Area Ministry in the San Rafael neighborhood and Marin County. I am convening a meeting on October 15, 2008 with local Episcopal clergy and Michael Barlowe to discuss Area Ministry in the San Rafael neighborhood. The discernment committee will also have town hall meetings with the entire Redeemer community to work on the self-study of Redeemer and how we relate to the neighborhood of San Rafael.

After completing the self-study about Area Ministry, then it will be necessary to discern what kind of clergy leadership would be appropriate to achieve these future goals at Redeemer. Also, it will be important to discern what characteristics this person should possess in order to complement the ministry team for the neighborhood of San Rafael. The eventual outcome would be the goal of calling a permanent vicar to Redeemer by Spring 2009.

Area Ministry is not a program. It is a mission strategy with a set of tools to inform, form, and transform ourselves—on an ongoing basis—so that we can be effective witnesses of what we have seen and heard, fresh expressions of Church that are rooted in ancient truths about God, creation and the human condition.

I welcome you to join us as we begin this transformative journey!

Blessings!

Father Mark

## Senior Warden's Letter

We began this month with opening our doors to approximately 40 of our neighbors who came to the Get Ready Marin disaster preparedness workshop. It was a great presentation - I learned a lot. I encourage all of our families to make a point of attending a session of this program. The City of San Rafael has done an excellent job of building and funding this project in our community. **If you want to find out where the program will next be offered, you can call Angela Del Ponte at 458-5002.**

Nature is telling us of the change of seasons - we have had our first rain. I enjoyed that wonderful sound of leaves crunching underfoot when I walked this morning. I hope you will slow down for a moment and enjoy the color of the liquidambar trees in front of the church! What a glorious sight!

Fall is the traditional time for Redeemer (and most churches) to launch their annual Stewardship Campaign. We are fortunate to have Ron Johnson with us on October 26th at 10 am to share his perspective on Stewardship. Ron is a Canon at Grace Cathedral, where he has served as the Chair for the Stewardship Committee. **This will be a one service day.**

As Episcopalians, some of the hardest conversations with friends, family and fellow parishioners revolve around money and the stewardship of the resources that God has given to us. It is only when we realize that who we are and what we have are gifts from God that we can grow into the discipline of being good stewards. Healthy stewardship begins with God at the center, and is sustained through prayer and hard work.

All stewardship should be rooted in the vision that God has given us as individuals and as a church. Discernment of what that vision is means understanding what God is calling us to do with our resources of time, talent and treasure. Communicating and embracing that vision as the entire parish family, in creative and inclusive ways, is the next step in responsible stewardship.

I invite you to join me in sharing the bounty that God has given us to sustain our church community and also our diocese.

In love and thanks for all that we are and can be as, together, we grow this community of Redeemer.  
Sue Clark,  
454-4115

## WE'LL BE ASKING YOU...

questions..... As part of the **search process** we will be examining what is important to the people of Redeemer. Everyone will have the opportunity to be a part of the process as each of us has the opportunity to share what we want to keep, what we might like to add or change. Coming soon, look for the "question of the week".

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## Adult, Youth and Infant Baptism

The First Sunday After All Saint's Day

Sunday November 2, 2008

9:15 AM – Kid's Church or  
10:30 AM – Rite II Eucharist

The Sacrament of Holy Baptism will be offered on this Sunday for Infants, Youth and Adults at both services. Holy Baptism is the sacrament by which God adopts us as his children and makes us members of Christ's Body, the Church and inheritors of the kingdom of God. (BCP, p. 858).

A class will be scheduled prior to the service for those who are seeking baptism.

Please contact Father Mark to arrange for a baptism for infants, youth, or adults at (415) 456-0508 or email at [mrnyak2000@comcast.net](mailto:mrnyak2000@comcast.net).





**OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS**

- 2 Les Ross
- 5 Christian Duro
- 13 Sally Garbarino
- 17 John Westmoreland
- 17 Cindy Chung
- 18 Mario Pamatmat
- 22 Nancy Shepard
- 25 Paula Zand
- 26 Bud Smith
- 26 Bruce Samson



**OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES**

- 13 Jay & Maureen Wayne 2001
- 17 John & Joan Westmoreland 1966
- 18 Larry & Barbara Smilie 1986
- 28 Nick & Sue Clark 1967

**WEDNESDAY WOMEN'S BOOKCLUB**

The hostess provides drinks and dessert. Attendees should bring a sandwich and RSVP to the hostess each month.

November 12<sup>th</sup>: *The Memory of Running*, by Ron McLarty; at Sallie Wood's NEW home in Kenwood. (707-833-1027) ("A quirky book", Sallie says...)

**LOOKING AHEAD**

**Youth Confirmation Classes**

Sundays – 5:00 – 7:00 PM  
 October 12, 19, and 26  
 at Church of the Redeemer  
 for Youth: Grades 6, 7 and 8

This is a program of spiritual formation for youth that will focus on confirmation in the Episcopal Church. It is open to all youth in 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grades. Everyone is welcome to attend. We encourage those who are exploring the sacrament of confirmation or have questions about their faith journey, in addition to those who have decided to seek confirmation.

The evenings will begin with a simple meal, fellowship and prayer. The program will be following the Episcopal Church curriculum for Confirmation: "I Will with God's Help". The classes will focus on what it means to be a Christian in the world today and the beliefs and traditions of the Episcopal Church.

The classes will be taught by Father Mark and lay members of the Redeemer community.

Those seeking confirmation will be confirmed at Grace Cathedral with other parishes in the Diocese at the General Confirmation Service on Saturday November 8, 2008 at 10:00 AM.

To enroll in this class, please contact Father Mark at (415) 456-0508 or email at [mryak2000@comcast.net](mailto:mryak2000@comcast.net).

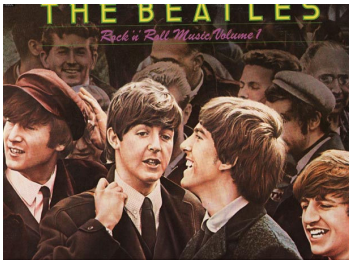
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**SERVICES - NOTE SOME TIME CHANGES**

October 19     **10 am ONE SERVICE ONLY**  
 Beatles/kid's choir  
 Confirmation Class 5-7pm

October 26     **10 am ONE SERVICE ONLY**  
 Stewardship kickoff

November 2     **Usual Services** at 9.15 & 10.30  
 Baptisms at each service



REHEARSAL DATES FOR THE “BEATLES”

- 10/12 Sunday 4-5 pm
- 10/18 Saturday 4-6 pm with the band (N.B.: longer rehearsal)
- 10/19 PERFORMANCE --Sunday - Redeemer Church Service 10 am

All rehearsals will be at the Redeemer Church.

Thanks,  
Cindy Chung (453-8244)

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Please mark your calendars for:

- October 11 Episcopal Charities Walk-A-Thon – 8 miles in San Francisco
- October 12 Confirmation Class 5-7pm
- October 18 Diocesan Convention at Grace Cathedral
- October 19 Confirmation Class 5-7pm
- October 26 Confirmation Class 5-7pm
- October 25 Parent's workday at Preschool 9am to Noon
- October 31 Halloween celebrated at Redeemer **NEEDED:** Youth to decorate the Narthex & entry area; volunteers to help Fr.Mark that evening; donations of CANDY gratefully accepted!
- November 2 Celebrating All Saints Day, with baptisms at both services, and the reading of the names of our faithful departed. Please let us know for whom you would have us pray by writing the names on the list at the back of the church, or contact Ann Z. or Fr. Mark at the church: 456-0508.
- November 8 General Confirmation at Grace Cathedral at 10 a.m.

SAINTS AND ANGELS

Every now and then we pause to thank those people in our church who have gone that “extra mile” to make Redeemer a better place:

First, an enormous thank you to the Co-Chairs of Kid's Karnival - Billie Barbash and Linda Fox. And no less a grateful thanks to every child, youth, woman and man who participated by sponsoring a booth, working a shift (or a day), finding friends to attend or help.

Special thanks also to Cindy and John Chung and his musical friends and all our wonderful young people whose hard work at many practices paid off so well. What a wonderful concert you performed!

We owe Andy's Market a big debt of gratitude for their participation and generosity in the food and wine area! Their wine and cheese tasting was "tasty".

Special thanks to Redeemer Preschool who contributed several of our attractions: Tom Holmes who opened the day with encouraging the kids to "sing along", Face Painting, by Alexis, and Let's Go Green (a duo from Corte Madera who may be "almost" as "green" as Joe Garbarino!)



NEWS FROM THE PEWS

(A note from your editor, Cathy Kirk:) Wayne and I are in the process of moving for one half of each year to Washington, where the house we have been building is now finished. Our intention is for us to be there from mid-February through August every year. As a result, Redeemer is going to need a new *Review* editor beginning in mid-February. Please give me a call if you are interested - 457-3841 – and I'll tell you what is involved. Thanks!

## FROM THE DIOCESE

### Episcopal Charities Walk-A-Thon

Episcopal Charities invites you to join Bishop Marc on Saturday, October 11th for an eight-mile walk through San Francisco. Over 200 Episcopal clergy and parishioners from the Diocese of California annually participate in this walk, visiting agencies and churches that provide support for homeless and low income individuals living in the San Francisco Bay Area. Walkers return to Grace Cathedral to partake in a multicultural-lunch along with entertainment from Jambory, an Afro-Peruvian percussion and dance ensemble. Jambory originated from collaboration between Good Samaritan Family Resource Center, an Episcopal Charities partner agency, and Tradición Peruana Cultural Center, San Francisco.

*When:* Saturday, October 11; registration and continental breakfast, 7 a.m.; walk begins, 8 a.m.; lunch and entertainment, 1 p.m.

*Where:* [Grace Cathedral](#), 1100 California Street, San Francisco

*Cost:* \$45.00 includes breakfast, T-Shirt, celebration lunch, entertainment, and raffle

*Contact:* For more information, to register, and create your own fundraising page or your team's fundraising page, visit [www.episcopalcharities.org](http://www.episcopalcharities.org), or email [info@episcopalcharities.org](mailto:info@episcopalcharities.org) or call (415)869-7813.

### Gene Robinson To Visit UC Berkeley

The Rt. Rev. Gene Robinson will speak at UC Berkeley as part of a panel discussion on queerness and faith. This event is hosted by Canterbury at Cal, the campus ministry of the Episcopal Church. Bishop Robinson will be joined by Dr. Stephen Best of the UC Berkeley department of English and the Rev. Paula Nesbitt, PhD. Paula is a visiting professor in sociology at UC Berkeley and a priest in this diocese. The next day Bishop Robinson will celebrate the eucharist on campus. Sara Miles from St. Gregory of Nyssa will preach.

*When:* Saturday, October 11; 2 p.m, presentation

*Where:* [The Lipman Room, Barrows Hall at UC Berkeley](#)

*When:* Sunday, October 12, 4 p.m., eucharist

*Where:* Faculty Glade, UC Berkeley Campus

*Cost:* Both events are free

*Contact:* Tom Poynor, [calcanterbury@gmail.com](mailto:calcanterbury@gmail.com), 510.845.5838, [www.berkeleycanterbury.org](http://www.berkeleycanterbury.org)

## Welcome and Seating of Assistant Bishop Steven Charleston

On Friday, October 17, at 7 p.m., the Diocese of California will welcome and seat new Assistant Bishop Steven Charleston. Following the service there will be a party to celebrate our newest bishop and to greet the Rt. Rev. Naudal Alves Gomes and his wife, guests from our companion diocese of Curitiba, Brazil. DJ dancing and food will be provided on the cathedral's plaza.

### Jews, Christians, and Muslims in Conversation

This program, "Feeding people in a world of hunger: What do our faiths say?," is part of an ongoing series presented by the Bay Area Cultural Connections, Interfaith Center at the Presidio, Islamic Society of San Francisco, Jewish Community Relations Council, San Francisco Interfaith Council, United Muslims of America, and the United Religions Initiative. The program includes reflections by Rabbi Rosalind Glazer of Congregation Beth Israel-Judea, Fr. Martin de Porres Walsh, O.P. of the Dominican Mission Foundation, and Imam Abu Qadir Al-Amin of the San Francisco Muslim Community Center. A group discussion will follow. Advance reservations are recommended as space is limited. Street parking is available.

*When:* Sunday, October 26, 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

*Where:* Temple Emanu-El, 2 Lake Street (corner of Lake and Arguello), San Francisco

*Contact:* \$20 per person (vegetarian dinner included)

*Contact:* To register, [interfaith@baycc.org](mailto:interfaith@baycc.org), 510.374.0701; pay at the door or send checks (payable to BAYCC) to 530 Kinkead Way #200, Albany CA, 94706

### Requiem Eucharist

During the month of November, it is a time-honored tradition for Grace Cathedral to honor and celebrate those who have gone before us. The Requiem Eucharist will honor their memory. Last year's Requiem Eucharist was especially meaningful for the many who participated. This year the glorious music of Mozart will fill the cathedral. If you wish to provide names of the departed for the leaflet, please contact Mario Lemos, [mariol@gracecathedral.org](mailto:mariol@gracecathedral.org), (415) 749-6311, by **October 24**. Contributions are appreciated.

*When:* Sunday, November 9, 11 a.m.

*Where:* [Grace Cathedral](#), San Francisco

**To Parents of Pre/Teenagers**

This important announcement has just been received:

I forward you an invitation from the Rev. Richard Helmer, Rector at the Episcopal Church of Our Saviour in Mill Valley, regarding the very important topics of Teen Suicide Prevention and Teen Addiction Prevention. The church is hosting two Community Forums: ( ~~the first is Tuesday, October 7, 7:00-8:30PM,~~ ) and the second is **Wednesday, October 29th, 7:00-8:30PM, both at the Church of Our Saviour, 10 Old Mill Street @ Lowell Avenue, Mill Valley.**

To download an information flyer, go to our website, [www.marinifc.org](http://www.marinifc.org), Community Events page.

For more information, call (415) 388-1907. To get directions online: [www.oursaviourmv.org](http://www.oursaviourmv.org).

Blessings and peace,

Carol (The Reverend Carol Hovis)  
Executive Director, Marin Interfaith Council  
1510 Fifth Avenue; San Rafael, CA 94901  
(415) 456-6957 [chovis@marinifc.org](mailto:chovis@marinifc.org)

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SCRIPTURE FOR THE DAY

I have considered the task that God has appointed for the sons of men to be busied about. He has made everything appropriate to its time, and has put the timeless into their hearts, without man's ever discovering, from beginning to end, the work which God has done.

~Ecclesiastes 3:1-11

MEDITATION FOR THE DAY

God's ways are not our ways. God's time is not our time. Yet God has put the timeless into our hearts. We know that our lives will be filled with joys and sadness, triumphs and defeats, and that we'll have to die before we can go to Heaven. Jesus lived that same kind of life.

PRAYER FOR THE DAY

I pray that I may relax and know that God is God ... And that God's ways and God's time is not necessarily ours. I pray that I may use my time on this earth to draw closer to God and help others to do so. I pray that I may accept life on life's terms and do my best to follow in Jesus' gentle footsteps.

[This is from a friend from Cursillo, who sends along occasional inspirational messages.]

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**Please note:**

The deadline for submissions for the November *Redeemer Review* is Wednesday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Please send your news to Cathy Kirk at: [kindel.odie@comcast.net](mailto:kindel.odie@comcast.net).

Want your Review by e-mail instead of snail-mail?  
Drop me a note at the above e-address!

<b><u>REDEEMER SERVICE CALENDAR</u></b>	
<b>SUNDAY SERVICES</b>	
9:15	Kids' Church for children and their families
10:30	Holy Communion with music
Healing prayers are offered at the left hand of the altar rail after Communion at the end of each service.	
<b>WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY 10:30-11:30</b>	

**Episcopal Church of the Redeemer  
Schedule of Services – SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 2008**

Date	Lay Minister	Acolyte	Altar Guild	Lessons & Psalm	Lay Reader	Coffee Hour Host	Service Host
SEPT. 7 17th Sunday after Pentecost	9:15 Terri L. 10:30 Paula Z.	9:15 Susan P. & Nicholas D. 10:30 Alex K.	Eileen Eriker Barbara Smilie	Ezekiel 33:7-11 Psalm 119:33-40 Romans 13:8-14 Matthew 18:15-20	10:30 Sue Clark	9:15 Baird 10:30 S. Clark	9:15 Kennedy/ Duro 10:30 Pamamat
SEPT. 14 18th Sunday after Pentecost	9:15 Cathy K. 10:30 Joan W.	9:15 Erika J. & Cat T. 10:30 Jessica L.	Kelly Mason Ann Zolezzi	Genesis 50:15-21 Psalm 103 Romans 14:1-12 Matthew 18:21-35	10:30 Sue Clark	9:15 Johnson 10:30 West- moreland	9:15 Thomason 10:30 Loudon
SEPT. 21 19th Sunday after Pentecost	9:15 Paula Z. 10:30 John W.	9:15 Gina C. & Meg N. 10:30 Aaron C.	Julie Cassettari Nellie Pamatmat	Jonah 3:10 - 4:11 Psalm 145:1-8 Philippians 1:21-30 Matthew 20:1-16	10:30 Julie Cassettari	9:15 Gerlach/ Moreira 10:30 Pamamat	9:15 Nakamura 10:30 Cassettari
SEPT. 28 20th Sunday after Pentecost	9:15 Rich A. 10:30 Cathy K.	9:15 Sierra K. & Mia S. 10:30 Alex K.	Cathy Kirk Cindy Smith	Ezekiel 18:1-4, 25-32 Psalm 25:1-8 Philippians 2:1-13 Matthew 21:23-32	10:30 Cindy Smith	9:15 Poulos 10:30 Smith	9:15 Ortega/ Kennison 10:30 Zolezzi
OCT. 5 21st Sunday after Pentecost	9:15 Joan W. 10:30 Terri L.	9:15 Billy D. & Carolyn D. 10:30 Susan P.	Eileen Eriker Barbara Smilie	Isaiah 5:1-7 Psalm 80:7-14 Philippians 3:4b-14 Matthew 21:33-46	10:30 Sue Clark	9:15 Eriker 10:30 Zolezzi	9:15 English 10:30 Loudon
OCT. 12 22nd Sun. after Pentecost	9:15 Paula Z. 10:30 John W.	9:15 Stevie B. & Nicholas D. 10:30 Jessica L.	Julie Cassettari Kelly Mason	Isaiah 25:1-9 Psalm 23 Philippians 4:1-9 Matthew 22:1-14	10:30 Julie Cassettari	9:15 Sparks 10:30 Smith	9:15 Kennedy/ Duro 10:30 Cassettari
OCT. 19 23rd Sunday after Pentecost	9:15 Terri L. 10:30 Cathy K.	9:15 Gina C. & Haley S. 10:30 Aaron C.	Nellie Pamatmat Cathy Kirk	Isaiah 45:1-7 Psalm 96:1-9 1Thessalonians 1:1-10 Matthew 22:15-22	10:30 Sue Clark	9:15 Skubecz 10:30 Kirk	9:15 Chiarolla 10:30 S. Clark
OCT. 26 24th Sunday after Pentecost	9:15 Rich A. 10:30 Joan W.	9:15 Julia C. & Erika J. 10:30 Carly C.	Ann Zolezzi Cindy Smith	Leviticus 19:1-2,15-18 Psalm 1 1Thessalonians 2:1-8 Matthew 22:34-46	10:30 Cindy Smith	9:15 Baird 10:30 West- moreland	9:15 Poulos 10:30 Smith

**9:15 & 10:30 COFFEE HOUR HOSTS please bring fruit, cheese or a savory snack, set up coffee/juice and clean up.  
9:15 SERVICE HOST also please bring a snack (10:30 SERVICE HOST/ no food)**

**PLEASE GET YOUR OWN REPLACEMENT IF YOU CANNOT MAKE YOUR ASSIGNMENT – THANK YOU!  
Please contact Ann Zolezzi at 454-4337 or [aszolezzi@sbcglobal.net](mailto:aszolezzi@sbcglobal.net) with any changes to this schedule.**