

CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER

Eblast

February 6, 2025



Winter Weather

We are under a winter weather advisory for this weekend. If you have any concerns in attending church this weekend due to the weather, please stay home. Our first concern is for your safety! Please also note that we will not be live streaming any of our services this weekend as Canon Melinda will be away performing other duties for the Diocese. Fr. Ben Lentz will be presiding at the Sunday service.

Our Annual Souper Bowl of Caring to help tackle hunger will take place **THIS SUNDAY** This year's teams are the Philadelphia Eagles and the Kansas City Chief. Soups pots will be set up in the church where you can cast you donation into the pot of the team that you hope will win or that you think will win. The winner will be announced after the Super Bowl in an up coming eBlast and in Church the following Saturday & Sunday. This is always a fun event and everyone is a winner when we help tackle hunger.



Soup & Sandwich Sale

Today is the deadline to order Soup and Sandwiches for the "Super Bowl" Soup & Sandwich sale. If you still wish to make a purchase please call Bonnie Garrity at (570) 888-1850. Pick up days and times are as follows: Saturday from 5 p.m. - 6 p.m. and Sunday from 9:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. in the Parish Hall. All proceeds go to benefit the Sunday School and Youth Groups.





Colin Luther Powell was a United States statesman and a retired four-star general in the United States Army. He was the 65th United States Secretary of State (2001-2005), serving under President [George W. Bush](#). He was the first African American appointed to that position. He was the first, and so far the only, African American to serve on the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

He was born on April 5 1937 in Harlem to Jamaican immigrants. He was raised in the South Bronx and educated in New York City Schools. He graduated from City College of New York where he was also enrolled in the Reserved Officer Training Corps. He served two tours of duty in Vietnam and among his duties, was the assignment to investigate the My Lai massacre. Powell has received 11 military decorations, including the Legion of Merit.

Powell also earned a Masters of Business Administration from George Washington University in Washington, DC and won a White House fellowship in 1972. He was assigned to the Office of Management and Budget where he made a lasting impression on Caspar Weinberger and Frank Carlucci. Both men would turn to Powell for advice during the Reagan administration. He became a brigadier general in 1976 and commanded a brigade in the famous 101st Airborne Division. During the Carter administration, Powell was an assistant to the deputy secretary of defense and the secretary of energy.

In 1987 he became national security adviser, a post he held throughout the Reagan administration. In 1989, George H.W. Bush appointed him the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. He came to national prominence during Desert Shield and Desert Storm during the Iraqi conflict. In 2000 he was appointed as Secretary of State. You can find out more here: [Colin Powell - Education, Wife & Death](#)

Powell was a life-long Episcopalian and attended St. John's Episcopal Church in McLean, Virginia. He died of complications from COVID-19 on October 18, 2021. He was fully vaccinated and was treated at Walter Reed Hospital. He was 84 at the time of his death.

[Source: biography.com}

Readings for February 8&9

Lessons: Isaiah 6:1-8, Psalm 138, 1 Corinthians 15:1-11, Luke 5:1-11

Scripture Reflection

Reflection for February 8&9

Sometimes we are afraid to tell others about our experiences of the holy and about God's call in our lives, because we don't want to annoy or oppress others. There is a difference between witnessing through indoctrination and witnessing through acts of compassion. How do you witness to others about your faith?



The Disciples had already fished all night without catching anything; what quality or characteristic in Peter might have helped him "give it another try" when Jesus invited him to cast his net again? What quality or characteristic within you helps you to keep trying, to start again, after disappointment or even failure?

Food Pantry Item for February

The item of the month of February is peanut butter. Thank you for your continued support of our local food pantries.



Serving in Worship at Redeemer

Feb. 9

Readers: Rose Carpenter

Usher: Bruce Carpenter

Greeter: Rose Carpenter

Feb. 16

Amy Murrelle

Glenn Murrelle

Linda Murrelle

Happy Birthday to:

Robert Davies	2/7
Jeff Watson	2/11
Margaret Cole	2/12
Tyler Rhodes	2/12
Colleen Marshall	2/13
Dan Wayman	2/14



"The Wildcat closet continues to collect donations of Sweat pants, Sweat shirts, socks and toiletries. The box is located in the atrium . Linda Murrelle will pick up your donations and make sure they are delivered to the proper locations.



Rummage Sale

For the next Rummage Sale (*Date TBD*) we will be accepting books, but only fiction. **NOTHING ELSE.** Thank you in advance.

A Message From My Brothers Keeper

Hello churches!

My Brother's Keeper is in need of hats for the homeless. We put one in each sleeping bag we make. They don't have to be new, just gently used and clean. Stocking cap style or the kind with earflaps, nothing with a bill like a baseball cap. Those just don't roll up easily and don't cover the ears.

We are always short of mittens/gloves. Those too can be gently used /clean. If anyone knits or crochets, we can provide the yarn and have a few crochet hooks. Work at home and finish as you like.

With the extreme cold lately there is a lot of need. We are working as fast as we can, especially since some of the homeless camps have been broken up and people are fending for themselves.

As always ,we welcome anyone that wants to join us Tuesday mornings,9-12, Athens Methodist church 118 S Main St , Athens, PA. Only skill needed is to tie a knot. Seriously, that is all you would be asked to do unless you see another job you would like to try. Don't feel obligated to come every week. Lives are busy and we appreciate even temporary help.

Join the cheerful camaraderie , coffee break at 10:30, while your hands are doing good!

Many thanks for all of the support over our 32 years.



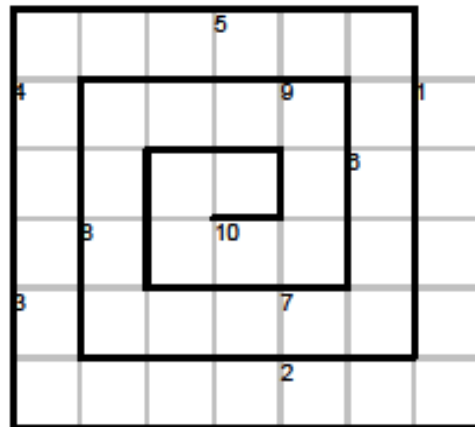


What a Catch!

Then Jesus said to Simon, "Don't be afraid; from now on you will fish for people." So they pulled their boats up on shore, left everything and followed him. Luke 5:10-11 (NIV)

The words in this puzzle can be found in Luke 5:1-11 (NIV)

Look at the numbered sentences, decide which is the right word and write it on the spiral puzzle. A new word starts in each box with a number.



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| 1. To get behind someone and go where they go | 6. An openwork fabric of cords used to catch fish |
| 2. The land along the edge of an ocean, sea, lake, or river | 7. An animal which lives in water and is covered with scales |
| 3. A large area of salty water, smaller than an ocean | 8. The Son of God |
| 4. To go down below the surface of the water | 9. An openwork fabric of cords used to catch fish |
| 5. A small vehicle for travelling on water | 10. To go down below the surface of the water |

SEA	BOAT	NET	SINK	SINK
JESUS	NET	FISH	FOLLOW	SHORE

A New Commandment

Complete the paragraph by filling in the blanks with the correct words from the word bank at the bottom of the story.

"Love one another as I have loved you."



Love One Another

"My _____, I will be with you only a little _____. You will _____ for me, and just as I told the Jews, so I tell you now: Where I am _____, you cannot _____.

"A new _____ I give you: _____ one _____. As I have loved _____, so you must love one another. By this all men will know that you are my _____, if you love one another."

John 13:33-35

another	come	disciples	longer	love
children	command	going	look	you