



The Episcopal Church of the Redeemer
Springfield, Pennsylvania

Feast of St. Mary the Virgin 2025

Dear Friends,

Two years ago your Vestry extended the daring invitation for me to come alongside Redeemer as your Priest-in-Charge. Now I am overjoyed to accept their call to be your next Rector.

What does this mean? Well, it means that many things will remain just the same. My sacred responsibility as your priest, pastor and teacher continues. But as your Rector, there is a deepening in our shared walk together in Christ, in our common life before God. I array my strengths for your cause, by God's grace.

We have much to be proud of! The calling of a Rector is no small moment in Parish life. For Redeemer, it shows our renewed vitality and ongoing development. This is a public sign of the tremendous recovery and strength of our community. We demonstrated a rare resiliency in the face of uncertainty and a bold imaginative trust in God's faithfulness. The Holy Spirit is up to something!

I am honored to walk the Way of Jesus alongside each one of you. It is the privilege of my life to serve you and your families in this particular way. Pray for me, a sinner. Know that I pray for you.

We hope you can join us for a formal service of installation in the new year with our Bishop. We have much to celebrate!

Yours in Christ,

The Reverend Joshua P. Barrett Tracey
Rector

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THE WARDENS AND VESTRY

Dear Friends,

In the best relationships, each participant encourages and pushes the other to be the best that they can be. It is this challenging and caring relationship with Fr. Josh that has brought renewed energy, spiritual growth, congregational growth and increased engagement in all parish activities to Redeemer.

In March, the Vestry approached Canon Jane Gober about installing Fr. Josh as Rector of Redeemer. With her guidance, we submitted reports for the Bishop's consideration. It is with great joy that we announce that Bishop Gutierrez has given approval and signed the agreement acknowledging Fr. Joshua Barrett Tracey as Rector of the Episcopal Church of the Redeemer.

It is time to celebrate what we have all done together and to acknowledge that the Holy Spirit continues to encourage and push us to a better and brighter future.

Faithfully yours,

Jane Nyiri and Megan Reiter
Senior Wardens