

ANNUAL REPORT 2018

“MINISTRY REIMAGINED”

“In the same way your Father in heaven is not willing that any of these little ones should perish.” (Matthew 18:14)

The above verse surfaced at the end of my summer sabbatical, and became the basis for our *Leadership Pipeline* meetings that followed. Subsequently it has become a kind of rallying cry for our ministry at Redeemer. Why is that? Because it expresses the heart of our Father for His lost children around the world, and even in *our* nearby community. He simply is not willing that any of them should perish – so much so that He did not spare His only Son to save them. How then, can we accept anything less than Kingdom growth as a result of our ministry in His Name? We can’t.

And so we have begun to reimagine our ministry. It’s not about change for change-sake, but change that will allow us to be more effective at making disciples. At Redeemer, we are a congregation of

“Relational Christians obeying Christ’s command to make disciples by creating intentional steps for everyone to grow spiritually.”

And that is an ongoing process. In fact, all of life and ministry is a work in progress! “God’s not done with us yet,” as the common expression goes. We need to keep open hearts and agile spirits that are willing to be redirected along God’s paths as we move throughout life because the world and life as we know it are always changing around us. What we are doing may be good, but God needs us to do a new thing simply because that is what’s needed now. That’s ministry reimaged. The Truth of God’s Word doesn’t change. God doesn’t change. Jesus doesn’t change. But the ways in which people encounter and experience them do. God’s children matter too much to Him for us not to be intentional about making disciples of Jesus.

What you will read in the pages that follow are some of the ways that Redeemer continues to shine the light of Christ’s gospel in the world around us. And yes ... it’s a different format than in years past. It’s an *Annual Report Reimagined!* ... We hope it will allow you to celebrate in a new way the impact of what God has done in and through us together this last year.

Joyfully serving Jesus with you!

Pastor Augie



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OUR FAMILY

23

Members Received

58

First Time Visiting Families

28

Second Time Visiting Families

213

Average Attendance



BAPTISMS

Evelyn Flynn • 4/29/18

Will Gourley • 11/4/18

Edison Lanois • 5/27/18

Jack Wright • 6/10/18

Harrison Schaefer • 6/24/18

Miles Windle • 7/15/18

Jordan Taylor • 7/22/18

Luke Yin • 9/2/18

Ian Yin • 9/2/18

Declan Wenstone • 10/14/18

Liam Hoyt • 10/21/18

Delaney Febela • 12/27/18

CONFIRMATION

MAY 20, 2018



10:45 am

*Gavin Ambrose
Andrew Bennett
Scott Dyvig
Margaret Busch
Julia Denton
Bain Ecarius
Arabella Kriedeman
DJ Kriedeman*



8:30 am

FIRST COMMUNION

NOVEMBER 4, 2018



Chalices made by the students.



8:30 am

*Ty Tuminello
Jack Busch
Katie Busch
Keira Finnerty
Zachary VonHuben
Lindsey Richey*



10:45 am

IN MEMORIAL

*Daniel Oplinger • 3/3/18
Marjorie Louise Blanchard • 4/19/18
Eva Claylene Bruning • 7/26/18*

*Mary Jeanne Robinson • 8/23/18
Francis (Frank) Wallner • 10/27/18*

YOUR GENEROSITY

\$48,175

\$12,000

Solutions for Change

\$8,500

Pacific Southwest District

\$5,962

San Diego Rescue Mission

\$5,962

National Youth Gathering

\$3,000

San Diego Street Choir

\$801

Support of Preschool Events

\$750

San Diego Rescue Mission

\$750

Missionary in Eurasia - Cindy Zirbel Wrucke

\$750

Christian Solidarity International

\$750

Lutheran Hour Ministries

\$517

VBS Offering for Seed Packets to Haiti

\$437

Smile Pak Supplies in addition to Thrivent support

\$422

Visitor Gifts

\$228

School Supplies in addition to Thrivent Support

\$2,796

Care Ministry

\$1,944

Support for the San Diego Mission Trip

\$1,326

Special Sunday Events

\$1,080

Benevolent Assistance



November 10, 2018 - San Diego Street Choir



\$200

Seminary support for Wilson Vai serving Lutheran refugees in West Africa

Additional Non-Monetary Donations

160

Angel Tree gifts to Camp Pendleton

More than 80

Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes

In 2018, we reduced our Mortgage Principal by **\$194,440!**

SERVICE



San Diego Mission Trip
June 17-22, 2018



Smile-Packs for
Hurricane Victims
April 22, 2018



Dinners for
Solutions
for Change
Families



Bike Assembly - December 8, 2018

CELEBRATIONS

Annual Picnic
September 9



Christmas Dinner
December 2



And our
annual
Volunteer
Appreciation
December 16

LUTHERAN WOMEN IN MISSION

\$809

Mite Donations

Supporting organizations throughout the world!

\$500

Mission Support

- Gifts from the Heart Foundation
- Lutheran Bible Translators
- Garuna Children's Education Foundation
- Mission Aviation Fellowship
- Homeless Choir



Serving

- Solutions for Change
- Interfaith
- Orphan Grain Train
- Camp Pendleton Rotary
- Wounded Warriors
- Preschool Reading Program
- MOPS Mentor Moms



Speakers and Presentations

- Debra Sallaz of Solutions for Change
- Food Demonstration by Luann Goedert
- Kindergarten Serenade
- Joel and Roxana Rabe on Habitat for Humanity
- Linda Sundram of Camp Pendleton Rotary



OUR FACILITY

Remodel
Completed

- Fellowship Hall
- Choir Loft and Band Platform
- Lobby cabinets and countertop
- LED Lighting and soundproofing



Our facility is a blessing to outside groups as well:

- Vista Del Mar Board
- Peak Rider Motorcycle Group
- LCYO Parent Meetings
- Suzuki Violin Concert
- Royal Conservatory Music Piano Tests
- Election polling site
- Lifeline Screening
- Fox & Trove Camp
- Christian Summer Etiquette Camp
- Inspire Charter School
- Street Choir Benefit Concert
- Ronell Wishnuff Piano Recital



OUR LEADERS

COUNCIL

President

Kris Urdahl

Vice-President

Melanie Burkholder

Secretary

Mary Ann Meinardus

Financial Secretary

Ken Boland

Treasurer

Lori Batherson

Trustee

Shawn Burkholder

Head Elder

Jerry Meyer

Fellowship

Suzan Colgan

Evangelism

Linda Staehr

ELDERS

Jerry Meyer, Head Elder

Dave Berrier

Dan Bitner

Jim Brunner

Tom Burke

Matt Busch

Ed Meinardus

Lyle Meyer

Joel Rabe

Charles Um

Ralph Wenstone

OUR YOUTH

9 STUDENTS & 2 CHAPERONES

Jr. High District Youth Gathering on March 16 at Irvine Outdoor Recreational Facility - Took First Place in the Scavenger Hunt



5 STUDENTS

5th & 6th Grade Summit at Crean High School - April 14

10 ATTENDEES & CHAPERONES

High School Pizza Party - April 29

10 STUDENTS & THEIR FAMILIES

Jr. High Pool Party - June 10

140 CHILDREN AND

53 LEADERS & HELPERS

Shipwrecked Vacation Bible School - June 25-29



12 STUDENTS

High School Lock In - September 22

10 STUDENTS

Youth Christmas Party - December 2

15 STUDENTS

Average pre-K - 4th Grade Sunday School Attendance



OUR DISCIPLESHIP

22 WOMEN

Priscilla Shirer Simulcast - April 28

3 SATURDAY WORKSHOPS

Leadership Pipeline

16 GROWTH GROUPS

Adult Bible Study and Fellowship Groups

