



Redeemer Connection May 2018

What is Re:Vitality?

The Re:Vitality Committee met with our new coach on April 17. One of the big questions we continually need to answer is “why?” Why does committee exist? The answer is “connections” or to find ways to establish “relationships” between the community and church members. We have spent quite a bit of time talking about what we do and why we do it. The Re:Vitality program divides the process of building relationships into five categories.

Pre-Connection (PC)

Definition: Provide information to non-churched people about Redeemer.

Activities that fit under this category: Steamboat Days, Goodview Days

Activities that Redeemer has done/is doing: Warming Shelter, Bake Sale, Food Shelf.

Create Connections (CC)

Definition: Create a new connection with non-churched people with Redeemer.

Activities that fit under this category: Parenting classes; training.

Activities that Redeemer has done/is doing: VBS, Book Walk, Preschool, Day at the Farm, Garden, Nursing Home services, Salad Luncheon, Bake Sale, Ice Cream Social, Parents Night Out, French Toast breakfast.

Build Relationships – Non-Churched (BR-NC)

Definition: Start or nurture a relationship between a non-churched person and members of Redeemer

Activities that fit under this category: Recovery programs, Workshops

Activities that Redeemer has done/is doing: Christmas Caroling

Build Relationships – Churched (BR-CH)

Definition: Start or nurture a relationship between a churched person and members of Redeemer

Activities that fit under this category: Marriage Enrichment, Workshops

Activities that Redeemer has done/is doing: Sunday School, Special Music, Ice Cream Social, Camp Omega, Hope LHS, People of Faith, Caring Cards, Fellowship meals

Make Disciples (MD)

Definition: Provide a way for a non-churched person to participate in Redeemer worship life.

Activities that fit under this category: Bible studies, small groups, adult information classes.

Activities that Redeemer has done/is doing: Christmas and Easter services Bible studies

The bottom line is to “make disciples” for Jesus Christ. It is not a membership drive like we use to talk about in the old days. We do a lot of great things here at Redeemer! What we don’t do it provided the link or connection between the steps above. Starting in May we are going to take one idea and come up with a plan to bring that activity through all the steps.

Have a Great May! Pastor Kevin



**Evening Bible Study
meets on the second and fourth
Thursday of each month**

**The next
Church Council
Meeting is 6:30 pm
Monday, May 14, 2018**



**Communion is held on the
1st, 3rd & 4th Sunday
of each month**



The following volunteer positions are available at Redeemer:

- VBS Coordinator: Basic responsibility is helping the pastor to recruit workers, help with registration, and be present during the VBS week to assist with any needs that arise. See Pastor Kevin for more information.
- Altar Guild: We need additional help to set up and take down communion. See Betty Rossin for more information.
- Banner Coordinator: Basic responsibility includes maintaining our banner collect and changing the banners in the church with the seasons. See Pastor Kevin for more information.
- Social Media Coordinator: Basic responsibility is to establish and maintain a presence for Redeemer on social media such as Facebook. See Pastor Kevin for more information.
- Worship Assistant Coordinator: Basic responsibility is to maintain a schedule of ushers, greeters, acolytes and lectors. See Pastor Kevin for more information.

ACTIVE SHOOTER PRESENTATION



Redeemer hosted an active shooter training for the community. The Winona Police Department presented information on active shooters and on how to respond in an active shooting situation. There were about 40 community people present. During the discussion, some of the churches shared what they are

doing to secure their churches. Security camera's, locking doors, covering windows, and adopting a plan were a few mentioned.

ACTIVE SHOOTER

Winona Police Department
201 W 3rd St.
Winona, MN 55987
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PROFILE OF AN ACTIVE SHOOTER

An active shooter is an individual actively engaged in killing or attempting to kill people in a confined and populated area, typically through the use of firearms.

CHARACTERISTICS OF AN ACTIVE SHOOTER

- Victims are selected at random
- The event is unpredictable and evolves quickly
- Law enforcement is usually required to end an active shooter situation

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HOW TO RESPOND TO AN ACTIVE SHOOTER

1. RUN

- Have an escape route and plan in mind
- Leave your belongings behind
- Keep your hands visible

2. HIDE

- Hide in an area out of the shooter's view
- Block entry to your hiding place and lock the doors
- Silence your cell phone and/or pager

3. FIGHT

- Fight back as a last resort and only when your life is in imminent danger
- Attempt to incapacitate the shooter
- Act with physical aggression and throw items at the shooter

HOW TO RESPOND WHEN LAW ENFORCEMENT ARRIVES

- Remain calm and follow instructions
- Put down any items in your hands (i.e. bags, jackets)
- Raise hands and spread fingers
- Avoid quick movements towards officers such as holding on to them for safety
- Avoid pointing, screaming or yelling
- Do not stop to ask officers for help or direction when evacuating

**CALL 9-1-1
WHEN IT IS
SAFE TO DO SO**



Susie Sonnenfeld and Jean Neeck served strawberry shortcake.

THE REDEEMER PRESCHOOL PRESS

May 2018



Wow! The last month of preschool is already upon us! It has fortunately been a school year filled with fun and learning; it has unfortunately been an April filled with cold and snow. We are looking forward to a warm and sunny May in which to enjoy the friendships we have formed and finish out our school year of preschool memories.

May is the month in which we honor mothers. Mothers' Day is approaching, and we are looking forward to again hosting our annual Moms and Muffins event in our classroom on May 3rd and 4th. On those days, we welcome moms to come have a muffin and hang out at preschool. What a beautiful way to celebrate our moms and all they do for us!

The children have been practicing for the Spring Sing. This is our way of thanking the Redeemer Church members for supporting our preschool. We will also recognize our RLP graduates who will be heading off to kindergarten in the fall. We hope you will be at the service on May 20 to hear their cheerful little voices.

The afternoon of May 20 is also Family Day at the Farm. All preschool and church families are invited to a fun afternoon out at La Vern's farm. See the animals and take part in some fun activities. It promises to be a great time, and we'll pray for nice weather to enhance the experience!

Our classroom themes this month will be insects, x-rays, and alphabet review. During Praise Time in April, we learned about Jesus' appearances to His disciples after His resurrection and then His ascension to heaven to be with His Father. This month we study some of the lessons Jesus taught us while he was on earth in the form of some of His parables.

As I write this, there are four boxes of candy bars remaining to be sold as part of our candy bar fundraiser. Thank you to all who have helped with this fundraiser! We truly appreciate your help and support!

New registrations for next fall have been coming in. If you know any families who are looking for preschool for their children, please tell them to check us out. Grab a brochure for them, direct them to our website, or encourage them to schedule a visit.

Our last day of preschool for the school year will be Thursday, May 24. On a personal note, I'd like to thank everyone for their welcome, support, and encouragement during my first year at Redeemer Preschool. I truly appreciate it, and I look forward to returning for another amazing school year in the fall.

May God richly bless your summer!

Easter Service



Music filled the Easter service thanks to the Festival Choir. Their voices and musical talent enhanced the uplifting Easter service joyously. Phil Klemp, Music Coordinator lead the choir with three musical selections throughout the service. Singers in the back row from the left are Phil Klemp, Dave Hohenstein, Tony Gilman, Marcy Borgschatz, and Jane Shoewe. Front row from the left, Jeannie Miller, Margaret Hohenstein, Sandy Bauer, and Emily Klemp. God has blessed Redeemer with glorious music.



The Children's message is an integral part of Redeemer's service and at the Easter service, the children were intently listening to message Pastor Kevin delivered. Jesus put the child in the midst of His ministry and therefore Redeemer puts the child in the midst of the church and gives them opportunities to be a part of the church.

"But by the grace of God I am what I am, and His grace toward me was not in vain." 1 Corinthians 15:10a

Goal: Under the grace of God, in Christ I am called as a servant to use my gifts for the furtherance of His kingdom.



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Redeemer Church ...

Welcomes you to come praise His Love for Us!

Sunday at 9 am.

The 1st , 3rd & 4th Sundays
are Communion Sundays.

Office hours are:

Mon-Thurs 9 am—1 pm

Fri 9 am— noon

