



## Our Hope

We hope for nothing less than to see Christ formed in the lives of our sons and daughters. Every aspect of Redeemer Youth Fellowship—our recreation as well as our study and service together—is moving towards presenting “everyone mature in Christ” (Col. 1:29). But we know this does not happen over the course of a single evening or weekend. Nor does it happen through a single program. It happens over the course of a lifetime of following Jesus and being in relationship with his people.

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This is why we prioritize the way of discipleship. As disciples of Jesus, we are always learning how his sacrifice for sin and his loving authority apply to every part of our lives. So that no matter where we are, whether we have followed Jesus for many years or have just met him for the first time, it is never too late and never too early to begin.

## Our Approach

***Incarnation.*** Incarnation is all about the direction of love. While we were still far off, God moved towards us in love. We imitate this pattern and draw near to our students in discipleship. We aim to partner with families in spiritual formation through large and small group discipleship. We strive to spend time with students in their daily lives to connect them to the presence and power of Christ.

***Formation.*** Scripture is clear that we will be formed. We cannot opt out of formation. We either become conformed to the image of Christ or deformed by sin. We trust that we will be conformed—in our desires, our beliefs, and our practices—to the image of Christ as God’s Word dwells in us, as we keep fellowship in the Church, as we pray and receive the sacraments, and as we follow Jesus in obedience.

***Participation.*** The membership and activity of our youth in the life of the church are vital to the flourishing of the whole body. We embrace and lead our youth in the full participation of congregational worship, small groups, and service to others. This participation works on our youth to conform them to the Body of Christ while also fulfilling the participation of the whole congregation.