

Activities and Events in the Life of Redeemer School

- Chapel – on alternating Fridays, Redeemer students gather for corporate praise and worship. Usually a grade or class leads the other students in song, scripture reading, and a skit or presentation. Sometimes a special guest such as a pastor or missionary speaks to the students.



- Reading Buddies – on alternating Fridays, older Redeemer students partner with younger students to read, write, complete a nature study, or learn something new together. The Reading Buddies remain paired for the entire school year in order to build a relationship with each other.



- Field Trips – each grade takes as many as nine field trips each year. We believe students learn best by being in contact with real things and experiences! Trips range from art museums, science museums, and local farms, to the zoo and a local “living history” site – Old Salem. Our eighth graders end their year with a trip to Washington, DC.



- Parent Enrichment Days – as a part of fulfilling their role as primary educator, and in order to build community, Redeemer parents teach one or two classes each year for their kindergarten through fifth grade children. Parents choose from teacher-directed topics and prepare an enrichment lesson for the class. Creativity and fun abound!



- Christmas Program – each December our music teacher helps Redeemer students prepare for celebrating Christ's birth through song, dance, and other creative arts. The school family gathers on an evening to watch the students' performances and to worship together.



- 100th Day of School – Our younger students count each day of the school year using straws, number charts, tally marks, and even coins – all in anticipation of the 100th Day of School! We gather together to recite Psalm 100, present donations of 100 canned goods for the Food Bank, and view each others' creations for the 100's museum. The morning is capped off with a special snack and a noisy parade around the school.



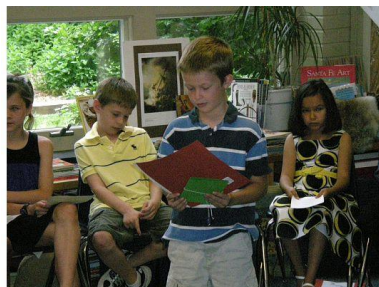
- Spelling Bee – each February our 4th through 8th grade students have the opportunity to participate in a school spelling bee. Winners at the school level qualify to advance to a local bee as a part of the Scripps National Spelling Bee program.



- Science Day – Each March Redeemer School celebrates learning about God’s creation through science. Each kindergarten through 5th grade class completes a group project, and each middle school student completes an individual project. These are then presented at a school science fair. We also have special assemblies that focus on a particular aspect of science such as: weather, physical science, or endangered animals.



- Poetry Recital – each class in the school celebrates their class poet by memorizing and reciting poems for fellow students and parents.



- Shakespeare Festival and Play – “All the world’s a stage...” is lived out each May with our annual Shakespeare Festival. Each class has completed a project reflecting some aspect of Shakespeare’s life and times, and the school family comes together for our own Renaissance Fair on the school grounds. Then the Middle School students perform one of Shakespeare’s plays for everyone’s delight!



- Field Day – each May we enjoy exercise, community, and friendly competition outside as a school. The students are divided into teams, with kindergarteners through eighth graders on each team. The teams have a unifying color and develop a team name and cheer. They help each other and cheer each other on as they run relays, pass the “bucket brigade,” and finish the “chariot race!”

