



Spring Classis Report 2024

Greetings from Redeemer University

The winter term of the 2023-2024 academic year is winding down and preparations are well under way for next year. Redeemer anticipates strong enrolment, increased community presence and the launch of two new programs. God has been faithful to the Redeemer community and I am confident that his faithfulness will continue.

Master's Degrees and More for Increased Kingdom Impact

As the post-secondary landscape changes, Redeemer will be introducing new programs to help meet industry and learner needs while maintaining focus on Redeemer's primary mission, vision and Reformed Christian approach to learning. This fall, Redeemer will be launching a Not-for-Profit Management certificate and a Church Leadership microcredential. Additionally, as early as fall 2025, Redeemer will be offering its first master's degree. These new programs will expand Redeemer's impact as it reaches new Christian students.

Supporting Student Mental Health

Student mental health services recently saw a significant expansion with the addition of a mental health case manager. This role strategically cares for and assists students, helping connect them with various mental health support and resources. As well, this summer, Redeemer will be upgrading and expanding the student health clinic to include space for mental health services, with an estimated completion date of August 2024.

Student Creatives Serving the Marketplace

This winter, Redeemer's Innovation Centre launched its first student venture, The Studio. The Studio is a for-profit student video production company that offers affordable and professional digital storytelling to organizations in the community. It offers a suite of video production services, such as recording, editing, graphics and animation, drone photography, copy writing and music sourcing. This venture gives students interested in media and production a chance to develop their skills while helping meet industry needs.



Understanding God as Creator

Redeemer continues to support academic inquiry and dialogue in the sciences. This March, the Albert M. Wolters Centre for Christian Scholarship hosted its 2024 Natural Sciences and Mathematics Lecture, featuring scholar Dr. Lydia Jaeger (Institut Biblique de Nogent, France). In her lecture, she discussed the dichotomy of scientific determinism versus liberty of creation, concluding that the framework of creation is fruitful and coherent.

Reflecting the Love of Jesus Christ Through the Arts

On April 6, Redeemer welcomed approximately 400 guests onto campus for a day of artistic celebration. The music department hosted its spring concert, Mozart Requiem. As well, the art gallery hosted an opening reception for the 2024 senior art exhibition, Inner Workings. Through these events, Redeemer students showcased how they are using their skills to worship the Lord and bring beauty to his world.

Resourcing the Local Church

Redeemer invites Christians across the country to check out 21Five, Canada's newest source for Gospel-centered books and products. 21Five is Redeemer's rebranded and expanded bookstore, with the option to shop in-person or online (21five.ca). Local pastors and clergy are also welcome to visit Redeemer's Peter Turkstra Library where they can claim a free library membership, allowing for up to 20 physical borrowed items at a time.

Thank You

Your support is made manifest as Redeemer prepares for its 38th graduation ceremony. More than 7,000 graduates have been prepared to reflect the love of Jesus Christ in every career and calling. Redeemer's partnership with the CRCNA plays an important role in helping the university realize its Reformed Christian mission. Thank you for your continued support and prayers. With your help, under the Lordship of Christ, Redeemer will continue to prepare many more graduates to serve God's Kingdom wherever he leads them.

In Christ,



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