

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2025

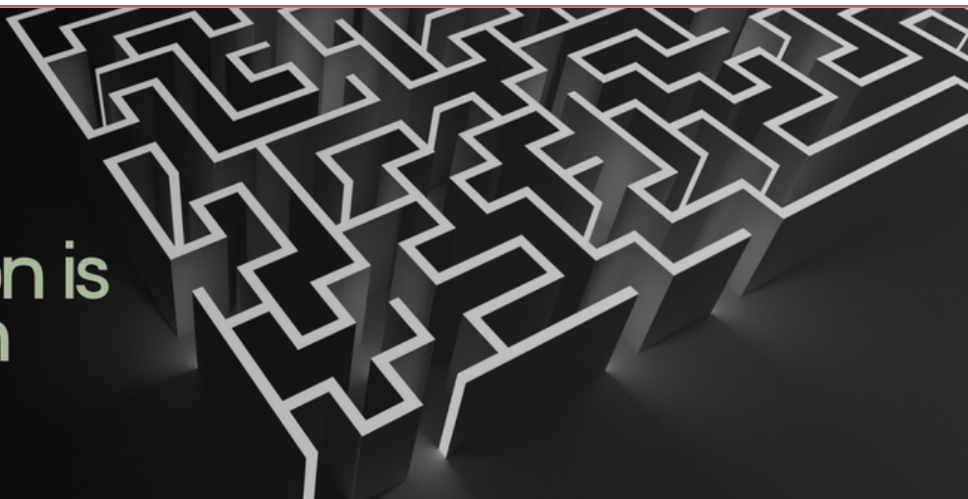
REDEMPTION HILL CHURCH



This Week: Jeff Marshall will be preaching on Hebrews 4:1-13

Your Confusion is Our Confusion

Tim Swanson



What's Going On

Sun. 11/02

Sunday Worship @ 10am

Tue. 11/04

Food Distribution @ 12:30pm

Wed. 11/05

Youth Discipleship @ 7pm

Thur. 11/06

Jessup University Choir & Orchestra
Concert @ 6pm @ SRBC; Prayer
Gathering @ 7pm

Sun 11/09

Sunday Worship @ 10am

Sun. 11/16

Operation Christmas Child Collection
Day

Sun. 11/23

Thanksgiving Service

Sat. 01/10/26

Connect Conference

My family and I have been deeply blessed by your — our Redemption Hill Church family's — prayer, fasting, generosity, and supportive encouragement during this season of health challenges. Many questions surround my condition, given the complex nature of my diagnosis. This complexity can lead to confusion as updates are communicated, so we felt it was important to provide some background and additional information which might help in bringing clarity.

As many of you know, in January 2015 a fungus was inadvertently placed on my heart during a valve replacement surgery for a congenital defect. The infection, which is not-so-affectionately known as fungal endocarditis, is very rare and has a high mortality rate. According to my medical team, and affirmed by our own research, only 300 cases of this type of infection occur worldwide each year, with less than 1% being in immune-healthy people such as myself. Without

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going into all the specifics (you're free to ask me), the protocol is to surgically remove and replace the infected areas of the heart in tandem with life-long use of an anti-fungal medication. This was the approach taken in July 2015 and again, in April 2022.

While doctors were hopeful that a different surgical approach utilized during the 2022 surgery would eradicate the infection completely, the fungus was discovered in my blood this past August. This finding led my medical team to conclude that the fungus was no longer being seeded simply from the heart, but somewhere else in my body.

After consulting with several surgeons, each concluded that surgery would not be prudent without having "fungal source control." With this in mind my medical team "threw away the book" and created an approach in the hope of suppressing the fungus via life-long medication utilizing new anti-fungal drugs, some just recently out of clinical trials. Prior to the start of the new medication, I had another fungal outbreak in September.

The greatest danger of fungal endocarditis stems from the development of vegetations growing on the valve, breaking off, and becoming infective emboli (clots) which can travel through arteries leading to strokes, heart attacks, organ damage, limb loss, and death. To complicate this further, fungal heart infections are difficult to identify through blood work and medical imaging. However, we are thankful to the Lord that over the past five weeks, my blood cultures, which are taken weekly, have been negative. Barring a miracle, this could be a back-and-forth battle; hence bringing confusion as things change in real-time. So, if you feel confused or have been confused about my condition, know that "your confusion is our confusion."

Please pray with us as we daily give this situation to the Lord and as He guides me while I slowly resume ministry responsibilities, being strengthened to *"Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer"* (Romans 12:12, ESV). Thank you for praying with us as we *"Wait for the LORD,"* interceding on our behalf to *"be strong, and let (our) heart take courage"* while *"wait(ing) for the LORD"* (Psalm 27:14, ESV).

Pray:

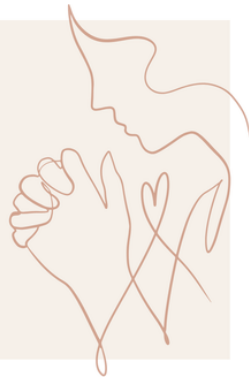
- Julia Basch: Experiencing flare-up of postural tachycardia syndrome.
- Mike Basch: Undergoing PT for wrist.
- Cindy Berg (Wife of Bill); Healing & peace during recovery from back surgery.
- Noel Dachauer: Wisdom on and healing for long-standing health issues.
- Jenn Welch: Preparing for hernia repair & reconstruction surgery on her intestines 11/14/25.
- Robin Williams: For gospel seeds sown in others during missions trip to come to fruition.
- Harvest Party: Thanks for fun, safety, and guests.
- Cheri (Jenn Welch's mom): Receiving hospice care. Pray for her salvation & for Jenn as she ministers to her.
- Shirley Oliver: Thanks that cancer's currently in remission; wisdom re: future ongoing treatment.



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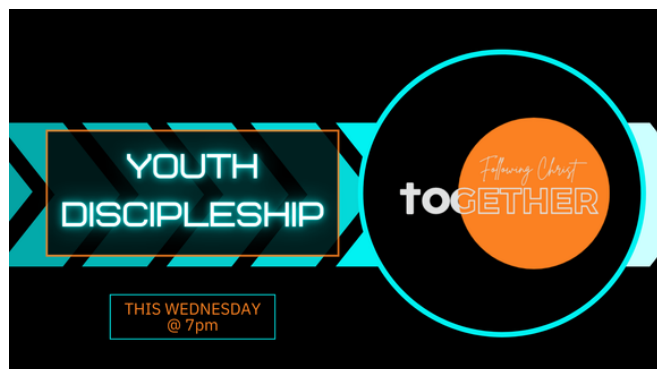
PRAY

for the Swansons



Points for Prayer:

- Continued prayer against confusion and for clarity.
- Identification of the fungal source (there was a hotspot on the PET scan below the pacemaker in an area operated on in 2015, and they aren't sure what it is).
- Healing & eradication of the fungus.
- Protection against emboli.
- Removal of medication side-effects.
- Against spiritual attack and for God's peace and joy to reign continuously.
- Wisdom and direction regarding next steps.
- Thanksgiving: Experiencing God's presence.



Jessup University Choir and Orchestra, featuring our very own Emma Cunningham, is returning to Santa Rosa on Thursday November 6th.

As co-hosts of this concert, we are looking for families to help provide safe, appropriate host homes for the Jessup musicians. If you're interested, hosting would include:

- Hosting at least 2 choir/orchestra students overnight on Thursday, November 6th. (More is great, but they don't send any students by themselves)
- Each choir & orchestra member must have a bed/couch to sleep on rather than a "camping" situation. They are on tour so they need good sleep each night before they go to their next destination.
- Food: Perhaps a light snack after their concert on Thursday, Breakfast in the morning on Friday and a bag lunch for Friday.
- Giving a ride Friday morning to their meet-up location (most likely SRBC) to get on the bus. Departure time is usually somewhere around 9:00 a.m.

For more information, contact Wendy Cunningham: wendy@RedemptionHillSR.org / (707) 583-6313

SIGN UP TO HOST AT:
<https://qrco.de/bfUrSy>



- Please pray this week, the days leading up to November 9th. It is the date set for reconciliation meetings between evangelical church leaders throughout Guinea. The rift is strong and has split sister churches for 5 + years.
- Pray for the young middle schoolers lives that are impacted each week as I teach health in the public schools. May the instruction yield students who make decisions wisely, develop social skills, set boundaries, love others well...
- Praise God that my "adopted daughter" Mariame has a son who is a month old. She had had 3 miscarriages and 2 infant deaths as well as a husband present after months in an Algerian prison.



The **Connect Conference** is a one-day Bible conference designed to stir the hearts of believers to see the beauty, authority, and sufficiency of Jesus Christ as the Head of the Church.

Through faithful teaching of Scripture, dynamic worship, and intentional fellowship, Connect seeks to strengthen our understanding of the Church's identity in Christ and our response to Him—worship that encompasses our entire lives. Rooted in biblical truth and centered on the gospel, this gathering serves as a call to unity, devotion, and transformation as local churches come together to exalt Christ, deepen their love for Him, and live out His mission in the world.

Date: January 10, 2025

Time: 9am-4pm

Location: Hessel Church, Sebastopol

Speakers include: Dane Ortlund (pastor, author of *Gentle and Lowly*); Tim Challies (author, blogger); Ryan Kwon (pastor, The Gospel Coalition board member); Erik Thoennes (Professor of Theology at BIOLA university).

Worship: led by Shane and Shane

Cost (includes lunch): Early bird price (until Nov. 11): \$89. Use discount code: RHILLCONNECTS. Regular price: \$109

For more information and to register, visit: norcalconnectconference.com

Have questions? Reach out to Kellen Eddy (kellen@RedemptionHillsSR.org).

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Redwood Gospel Mission is one of our supported mission partners. This year's **Great Thanksgiving Banquet**, where they feed 5,000 of our poor and needy neighbors, is coming up on Wednesday November 26th. They have 600 volunteer opportunities for friends like you.

Nearly every time after someone volunteers, they say something like this: "I volunteered because I wanted to bless others, but I'm pretty sure I got more out of it than I gave. I can't wait to do it again!"

Some of the volunteer roles are for the days leading up to 11/26, others are during the banquet itself. From buying bananas to baking brownies, collecting coat hangers to plating coat pies, photography to baking brownies, collecting first aid, there are many different roles — for everyone aged 3 years and up!

To find out more and to sign up, visit:
www.rgm.org/gtb/ or scan the QR code.



Collection Day: 11/16



Baptism is an outward sign of an inward change— a public declaration that one is now a follower of Jesus Christ. If you have repented of your sin and put your faith in Christ as your Lord and Savior, and have not yet been baptized, we would encourage you to talk to Pastor Tim or Kelly.

NEW TO REDEMPTION?

Hi there!

Whatever your background or situation, we're glad you've decided to join us this morning. You might find it helpful to know that:

- There are bathrooms available in the lobby and in the courtyard.
- Nursery services are available for infants. We also dismiss children for age-appropriate learning (toddlers through 5th Grade) during the main teaching time (except on the 5th Sunday of the month).
- A nursing room and changing facilities are available in the Sanctuary building.

Refreshments are available after the service - please stick around and say hi!

We look forward to getting to know you!

FIND COMMUNITY

Hungry for deeper, authentic relationships? We've got Men's, Women's, and Youth Discipleship Groups to help us grow together in grace. We meet weekly to discuss Scripture and pray. *Contact the Church Office for location and availability.*

Men's Groups

Mon. Evenings - Santa Rosa
Tues. Evenings - Rohnert Park
Weds. Evenings - Santa Rosa

Women's Groups

Weds. Mornings - Santa Rosa
Weds. Evenings - Rohnert Park
Thurs. Evenings - Santa Rosa

Youth (6th-12th Grade):

1st, 3rd & 5th Wednesdays of each month — RHC Campus.
Contact Kellen for more info: kellen@RedemptionHillSR.org



Get In Touch

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Kelly Hubley - Elder

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Director
Kellen Eddy - Youth Ministry Director
John Hansen - Children's Ministry
Director
Sarah Mee - Church Administrative
Assistant / Tech Team Administrator
Alisa Swanson - Hospitality & Facilities
Administrator

First Aid

An AED and a Life-Vac anti-choking device are located in the Foyer. A box of other first aid supplies is in the Fireside Room, above the refrigerator.

LET'S CONNECT!

We'd love to get to know you better and welcome you into our family. If you're ready to get connected, please fill out a few details and leave this in the offering box on the back wall of the Sanctuary. Or, better still, scan this code and fill it out online. Someone will be in touch soon.

First name:

Last name:

Email:

Phone:



For the WORD OF GOD
is LIVING and ACTIVE,
sharper than any two-edged sword,



and DISCERNING the THOUGHTS
and INTENTIONS of the HEART.

