Local Church Politics

Redeemer Community Church
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Our Neighborhood: Bayview/Hunters Point

Unemployment and Poverty (%)
American Community Survey
2014, 5-year estimates

SF: 7.6 vs 13.3 = 1.8x BVHP

SF: 14.5 vs 23.5 = 1.6x BVHP
1. Economy
“No one can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth.”

Matthew 6:24
The Investors and the Seed of Generosity
The Model

Services at Market-Rate

Adjusted Salaries

Ministry Purposes
The Prophet Economy
Every valley shall be lifted up,
And every mountain and hill shall be made low.

Isaiah 40: 4 and Luke 3:5
Not the prophet economy...

Share of U.S. Income, Top 1%:
1774 - present

CEO vs. Average Worker Compensation
1965-2014

Sources: Lindert and Williamson 2012; Piketty and Saez 2012; The Atlantic, Jordan Weissmann. Top 350 U.S. CEO's. Epi.org
Wealth and income are a moral issue.

CEO-TO-WORKER COMPENSATION RATIO
"ISAIAH 40" SMOOTH CURVE
dedicated to the Common Good

3% Time
10% Profit
100% Equity
LENDING AS A PRACTICE OF PEACE

CHARACTER REFERENCES

LOANS

Loan Committee

Community Members
Borrowers
Lenders
The Black Businesswoman and the Chinese Lender
The Housing Crisis and the People of God
A new social imaginary...
2. Family
You are not your own; you belong to His church. Grow up into your deliverance then in the presence of the Lord and in the company of His chosen people.

You are not your own; you are initiated into His Kingdom and this is your destiny: To share in the freedom from sin and death and in the making of a whole new creation to the glory of God our Father.

Excerpt from Redeemer Baptismal Litany
3. Ethnic Identity
Redeemer Ethnic Breakdown
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