

2010 Church Profile:
Church of the Redeemer
Manchester, New Hampshire
“Transforming the city for God’s glory”

Summary: Current pastor Jon Taylor and his family began planting the Church of the Redeemer in 2004. The church meets at 228 Maple Street, near downtown Manchester. In recent years, the city has undergone a significant demographic and economic transformation. The population is increasingly diverse with 70 languages now spoken in the local public schools among the growing immigrant and refugee populations. The Church of the Redeemer seeks to glorify God and minister to this city by living out eight core values: exhibiting authenticity, speaking truth, showing integrity, embracing diversity, demonstrating love, multiplying disciples, modeling dependence, and living in interdependence. Manchester is the largest city in New Hampshire, located in the middle of the state about twenty miles north of the Massachusetts border.



Manchester, New Hampshire

History

Work Begun: 2004
First Worship Service: 2005
Particularized: December, 2009

Membership

Communing Members: 27
Covenant Children: 12
Pastor: Jon Taylor
Ruling Elders: Ken Butler, Dan Filicicchia

Worship/Sunday School

Sun. morning worship: 10:00 a.m.
Small group meetings: Sunday night
Mid-week meetings: 2 women’s Bible studies, 3 men’s groups
Worship style: contemp./liturgical
Ministry Highlights: work with New Life Home drug & alcohol center; Pioneer Clubs, ESL classes

Introduction to Manchester

Median Household Income, 2007: \$50,199
Median House/Condo Value, 2007: \$241,300
Cost of Living, 2008 (US average = 100): 120.8
Unemployment Rate, 10/09: 7.6%
Educational Attainment Breakdown (age 25+)
High School or higher 80.7%
Bachelor’s Degree or higher 22.3%
Graduate/Professional Degree 7.0%

Largest Employers

Elliot Hospital 2821
Catholic Medical Center 1700
Fairpoint 1650

Local Attractions:

Currier Gallery of Art; Verizon Wireless Arena

Nearest Major City:

Boston (52 miles southeast)

Nearest Hospital: Elliot (296 beds); Cath. Med. (330 beds)

Local Newspaper: Manchester Union-Leader

Local Television: WMUR ch. 9 (ABC)

Average January Temperature: 5.2°

Average July Temperature: 82.1°

Average Annual Precipitation: 39.8 inches

Average Annual Snowfall: 64 inches

City Population, 2008: 108,586

Pop. change: +1.5% since 2000

Racial Breakdown:

White, non-Hispanic 89.3%
Hispanic 4.6%
Black 2.1%

Median Age: 34.9 (37.1 NH)

Age Breakdown:

Under 18 23.7%
Ages 18-24 9.5%
Ages 25-44 33.4%
Ages 45-64 20.5%
Age 65 and over 12.9%

Avg. Household Size: 2.4 people

Local Major Colleges or Universities:

Univ. of New Hampshire - Manchester
St. Anselm College (Manchester)

Local Public Schools: SAU 37

3 high schools; 4 middle schools
15 elementary schools

Local Major Private Schools:

Trinity High School; Derryfield School;
Mount Zion Christian Schools