

HAPPENING THIS WEEK

SUNDAY • MAY 3

8:15am	Worship Service Nursery
9:15am	Bible Study - Meeting Room
9:30am	Worship Service Livestream Nursery
9:30am	Kids Club
9:30am	Radiate Middle School - Gym
9:30am	Engage High School - High School Room
11:00am	Worship Service Nursery
11:00am	Kids Club
11:00am	Bible Study - Meeting Room
6:30-8:00pm	Engage High School Group - Gym - Door 6*

MONDAY • MAY 4

10:00-11:00am	MiniCo Playdate - Nursery - Door 4*
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TUESDAY • MAY 5

10:00am-2:00pm	Food Pantry Open
5:30pm-7:00pm	Food Pantry Open
6:00-7:30pm	Radiate MS Group

WEDNESDAY • MAY 6

10:00am	Senior Bible Study - Meeting Room - Door 4*
7:00pm	Worship Team Practice - Door 4*

THURSDAY • MAY 7

6:30-8:30pm	MomCo Meeting - Multipurpose Room - Door 3*
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FRIDAY • MAY 8 - Office Closed

SATURDAY • MAY 9

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*Door numbers refer to the large white numbers on the building's exterior, above each outside door.



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Office Hours:

Mon-Thurs: 8:30am - 4:30pm

Sunday Services:

8:15, 9:30, & 11 am

Online: 9:30 am (FB & YouTube)

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ALMOST TRUE

Everywhere you turn, someone is telling you how to live. Many times, it's well-intentioned and "Almost True," but misses the mark in ways that can hurt us. How do we know which truths will actually lead to a meaningful life?

MESSAGE: NOBODY EXPECTS ME TO BE PERFECT

May 3, 2026

Text: Matthew 11:25-30

Pew Bible: 809

Welcome to Redeemer!

CHECK IN

Whether you're new, here all the time, or online, be sure to sign in on a connection card, on the Redeemer app, online, or use the QR code! You can also share prayer requests, ask questions, & more.





SPRING CLEAN UP

- Saturday, May 16 | 8 am - Noon
- We need help trimming, mulching, weeding, and more!
- Please bring hand tools like spades, garden rakes, and pitchforks.
- Learn more online under [EVENTS](#)



SUNDAY SUMMER HOURS

- May 24 - September 6 (Memorial Day - Labor Day)
- **8:15 am - Traditional Service**
- Nursery
- **10 am - Modern Service**
- Livestream
- Nursery
- Kids Club



HIGH SCHOOL WING NIGHT

- Sunday, May 17 | 6:30-8:30 pm
- For: High School students & all current 8th Graders. It's move-up night!
- Bring a friend. Bring your appetite. Let's turn up the heat!
- Learn more online under [EVENTS](#)



HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION

- Sunday, May 31
- Return your RSVP cards and submit graduation photos to Kyle by May 15



SHP - THANK YOU!

Thank You to everyone that volunteered, donated, and prayed for Redeemer's Sleep In Heavenly Peace Bed Building event! We made an incredible impact for 63 local kids! We will continue to collect new twin bedding sheet sets and comforters to help support their mission.

BED DELIVER & ASSEMBLY

- Wednesday, May 20
- 2 shifts: 2 pm & 6 pm
- Sign up online at #BTC (Ages 10+)



WE'RE HIRING

We are currently looking to fill two positions:

- **Office Manager**
- **Director of Operations**
- Check out our website for all the details: myredeemer.church/job-openings



LANSING SHELTERS | SIGN UP

Need volunteers to Serve Dinner @ 5:30 pm

Women | Fridays | **May 8** + June 12

Men | Thursdays | **May 21** + June 18

We are in desperate need of volunteers for BOTH shelters!

SHELTER FREEZER MEALS | SIGN UP

Wednesday, May 20 | 11 am

Support Haven House Family Shelter by preparing freezer meals. Ingredients provided, but please bring 2 large mixing bowls and 2 mixing spoons. Please sign up online since spots are limited.

AFTER THE STORM | SIGN UP

Friday, May 15 | 9 am

In 2023, a huge storm swept through and caused significant damage to many parts of Michigan, including Grand Ledge. After The Storm (a division of UMCOR) is repairing damage, and they need our help to finish drywalling a home for a single mother and her daughter. We'll drywall two 1/2 walls plus tape, mud, and install trim. If you can help, even for an hour or two, please sign up online under #BeTheChurch or contact Suzie Unruh in the church office.

#BETHECHURCH EVENT CALENDAR

Find sign-ups & learn more online under [Outreach](#) or on the Redeemer mobile app under sign ups.

May 7 - Ronald McDonald House - deliver dinner

May 8 - Women's Shelter - serve dinner

May 11 - Police & Fire - Water Delivery

May 13 - Helping Hands

May 15 - St. Vincent de Paul - sort clothing

Follow Redeemer Outreach on Facebook to see all the ways your donations and volunteer efforts are sharing the love of Jesus and supporting those facing tough times.



Message: NOBODY EXPECTS ME TO BE PERFECT May 3, 2026
Text: Matthew 11:25-30 Pew Bible Page: 809
BIG IDEA | **PERFECTION IS NOT A PRIZE TO ACHIEVE, BUT A PROMISE TO RECEIVE**

“Be perfect, therefore, as your heavenly Father is perfect.”

Matthew 5:48 (NIV)

“At that time Jesus prayed this prayer: ‘O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, thank you for hiding these things from those who think themselves wise and clever, and for revealing them to the childlike. Yes, Father, it pleased you to do it this way! ... Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light.’”

Matthew 11:25-26, 28-30

MY NOTES:

GETTING STARTED

What is a task that always makes you feel accomplished when you finish it?

REFLECTION/DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Read Matthew 5:48. What is your first thought or feeling after reading this verse?
2. Read Matthew 11:28-30. How can these verses influence the way you think about being perfect? What do you think it means for Jesus’ burden to be light?
3. *“Being made perfect is a process in which we become more like Jesus so we can love God and others the same way Jesus does.”* Do you agree or disagree with this statement? Why?
4. Talk about any ways you’ve seen perfection as a prize to achieve. How can you find rest by viewing it as a promise to receive?
5. What spirit is Jesus addressing in us when he says we need to be “childlike” in order to understand his ways?
6. What grace do you need to receive? What command do you need to obey?
7. What are the prayer requests on your mind and heart today?

PRAYER: Lord Jesus, thank you for always being with us and for empowering us to do what you command. Please show us where we are trying to do it all. Help us to receive your grace. Give us the courage to respond with obedience. May we be humble and walk with you. In the name of Christ, we pray, Amen.

GOING DEEPER: Read Matthew 5:43-48. How does the context of this passage help you understand Jesus’ command to be perfect? How does it relate to loving those who are challenging in your life? How does it relate to asking for help?