

## HAPPENING THIS WEEK

### SUNDAY • JULY 13

|                 |  |
|-----------------|--|
| 8:15am          | Worship Service                        |
| 8:15am          | Nursery                                |
| 9:15am          | Adult Bible Study - Meeting Room       |
| 10:00am         | Worship Service                        |
| 10:00am         | Nursery / Kids Club                    |
| 11:15am-12:15pm | <b>Starting Point</b> - Meeting Room   |
| 11:15am-12:15pm | Seekers Bible Study - High School Room |

### MONDAY • JULY 14

### TUESDAY • JULY 15

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| 10:00am-2:00pm | Food Pantry Open |
| 5:30pm-7:00pm  | Food Pantry Open |

### WEDNESDAY • JULY 16

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| 10:00am | Sing & Play - Nursery - Door 4* |
| 7:00pm  | Worship Team Practice           |

### THURSDAY • JULY 17

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| 7:00am | Food Pantry Delivery                         |
| 7:00pm | Trustee Meeting - High School Room - Door 4* |

### FRIDAY • JULY 18 - Office Closed

### SATURDAY • JULY 19

### SUNDAY • JULY 20

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|-----------------|------------------------------------|
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| 8:15am          | Nursery                            |
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| 10:00am         | Worship Service                    |
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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

#### Summer Sunday Services:

8:15 & 10 am

Online: 10 am (FB & YouTube)

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# TOO BUSY NOT TO PRAY



The world is spinning at a break-neck pace. Summer is nearly half over already. Brokenness and pain in our lives and all around us keeps coming. The urgent need for prayer is clear, but busyness keeps many of us from finding time to pray. In this series, we are going to slow down, decide that prayer matters, that your prayers matter, and that there really is a God who is willing and able to help you in your time of need.

MESSAGE: OUR PART OF THE DEAL

July 13, 2025

Text: Psalm 5:1-3, 4:1,8

Pew Bible: 454

# Welcome to Redeemer!

#### CHECK IN

Whether you're online, new, or here all the time, 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.





**Starting Point**  
Redeemer church

Sunday, July 13 📍 11:15am - 12:15pm

Learn about Redeemer and Fellowship with other newcomers over a light lunch.

### STARTING POINT - TODAY

Newer to Redeemer? You're invited to attend Starting Point, an informal class to meet other newcomers plus learn about Redeemer's history, mission, and core values, and ask any questions you may have.

- Sunday, July 13 | 11:15 am - 12:15 pm
- Join us in the Meeting Room
- Light lunch provided
- No cost to attend
- Learn more online under [EVENTS](#)



christian  
athletic  
camp

*Join us in prayer this week.*

### CHRISTIAN ATHLETIC CAMP

#### THIS WEEK

Join us in prayer this week as kids start Christian Athletic Camp. We pray for all of the campers, counselors, and staff, for their health and safety, for friendships to form and grow, and for their relationships with Christ to strengthen.

- July 13 - 19



**Backpack Ministry**

Collecting:  
**Now - August 10**

Assembling:  
**Sun, Aug 17 at 11 am**

Volunteers also needed to sort, move, & deliver!

### BACKPACK MINISTRY

#### Collecting:

- Now - August 10
- Find the list of needed items online under [EVENTS](#)

#### Assembling:

- Sunday, August 17 | 11 am
- Need volunteers to sort, move, & deliver
- Learn more online under [EVENTS](#)



Redeemer Outreach  
**#bethchurch**  
Opportunities to volunteer and serve every week!  
[MyRedeemer.Church/Outreach](#)

### #BETHECHURCH OPPORTUNITIES

Looking for activities to do this summer? We have many opportunities for you and your family to help our community.

- Keep up-to-date on different projects, events, and community connection via Facebook at [facebook.com/bethechurch.redeemer.mi](#)
- Find sign-ups and learn even more online under [OUTREACH](#) or contact [Suzie Unruh](#)

#### GREAT FOR SMALL GROUPS TOO!

We would love to set your small group up with an evening outreach event. Please contact [Suzie Unruh](#) for more details.



**Powerful Tools**  
**FOR Caregivers**

Mondays, July 21 - August 25 **6 weeks**  
**FREE Workshop** 1 - 2:30 pm  
here at Redeemer

### POWERFUL TOOLS FOR CAREGIVERS

- Mondays, July 21 - Aug 25 | 1-2:30 pm
- Here at Redeemer Church
- FREE to attend, though donations accepted
- Learn how to: problem-solve, communicate better, work with extended family, providers and care staff, make tough decision, and reduce stress while taking care of yourself.
- Learn more online under [EVENTS](#)

### BLESSING BAGS NEW OPPORTUNITY

As you drive through the Lansing area, you may notice individuals on street corners in need of support. This is your chance to extend compassion and share the love of Jesus in a practical way. Swing by the lobby, grab a Blessing Bag (or two!), and bless those in need in our community!

A heartfelt thank you to the Swieringa family and friends for putting these bags together!



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### WATER DELIVERY - THIS WEEK

This week, we'll be delivering water to our local police and fire departments as a simple way to say thank you for their service to the community we love. We invite you to take a moment to pray for our first responders this week. All water is provided, and if you'd like to help with deliveries to any of the departments, please sign up under [#BTC](#).

### FOOD PANTRY DELIVERY

- Thursday, July 17 | 7:30 am | No Sign up
- Ages 16+ needed to help unload the monthly delivery.

### RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE MEAL

- Thursday, July 24 | 1:30 - 3 pm
- Need help preparing dinner at RMH
- Sign up under [Outreach/#BeTheChurch](#)

### #BETHECHURCH EVENT CALENDAR

There are several #BeTheChurch volunteer opportunities available. To get involved, visit the mobile app under Sign-Ups or check out the website at: [MyRedeemer.Church/Outreach](#)

**July 14** - Water delivery to local police & fire

**July 17** - Food Pantry delivery at 7:30am

**July 18** - St. Vincent de Paul - sorting

**July 20** - Advent House Meals

**July 20** - Backpack Collection begins

**July 20** - Small Group #BTC Event (*private group - schedule yours today with Suzie*)

**July 24** - Ronald McDonald - making dinner

**July 30** - Sort backpack supplies

See more events on the sign up sheet under Outreach / #BeTheChurch.



“O Lord, hear me as I pray; pay attention to my groaning. Listen to my cry for help, my King and my God, for I pray to no one but you. Listen to my voice in the morning, Lord. Each morning, I bring my requests to you and wait expectantly.”  
Psalm 5:1-3

“Answer me when I call to you, O God who declares me innocent. Free me from my troubles. Have mercy on me and hear my prayer.... In peace I will lie down and sleep, for you alone, O Lord, will keep me safe.”  
Psalm 4:1,8

## MY NOTES:

### GETTING STARTED

How much sleep have you “lost” in the past week? Why?

### REFLECTION/DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What do vs. 1-3 (below) sound like? Look like? Feel like? What might David be losing sleep over?
2. Read Psalm 4:1 (below). What four things does David ask of God in this verse?
3. What outcome does David expect? Why is he so confident in vs. 8?
4. Of the four reasons shared in the message of why people don’t pray, which one can you relate to the most? (Not sure how, get distracted, think requests are too small, not sure prayer will really make a difference)
5. Share honestly about your own prayer life. What is working? What isn’t working? How could you build a “morning or evening prayer” into your daily routine? Is a routine for everyone? (P.R.A.Y)
6. *“Talk to God with gut-level honesty. Talk to God about everything—big or small.”* Is this easy or difficult for you? Why or why not?
7. What are the prayer requests on your mind and heart today?

**PRAYER:** Lord God, thank you for the prayers recorded in Scripture. Thank you for David’s honesty and trust in you. Thank you for his faithfulness in bringing his requests before you daily. Help us to be consistent in developing a relationship with you through continual prayer. Keep us centered and focused on you. In the name of Christ, we pray, Amen.

**GOING DEEPER:** Read Psalms 1-5. What kinds of things do you hear David praying about? How honest is he before God about how he feels? How can David’s approach encourage you in your own prayer life?