#### **HAPPENING THIS WEEK**

SUNDAY	AUGUST 2	28
8:15am	DW	Worship
9:30am	ALL	Worship & Livestream
9:30am	DW	Christian Education <i>Grades 6-12</i>
9:30am	DW	Adult Bible Study
9:30 & 11am	DW	Nursery
11:00am	DW	Worship
Noon	DW	Ice Cream Sundaes!!
6:00pm	DW	High School Youth

#### MONDAY AUGUST 29

TUESDAY	AUGUST 30		
10am-2pm	DW	Food Pantry	
5:30-7pm	DW	Food Pantry	
6-7:30pm	DW	Middle School Youth	

#### **WEDNESDAY AUGUST 31**

11:00am	SJ	Mid-Week Bible Study in St. Johns
2:30-4:30pm	DW	Open Gym grades 6-12
5:30pm	SJ	Yoga (St. Johns Campus—lower level)
7:00pm	DW	Worship Team Practice

#### THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 1

FRIDAY	SEPTEMBER 2	<b>Building closed</b>

# SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 3

9:30am SJ Yoga (St. Johns Campus)

SUNDAY	SEPTEMBER 4 - Labor Day weekend		
8:15am	DW	Worship	
9:30am	ALL	Worship & Livestream	
9:30am	DW	Movie Sunday - <i>Preschool-3<sup>rd</sup> Grade</i>	
9:30am	DW	Christian Education Grades 6-12	
9:30am	DW	Adult Bible Study	
9:30 & 11am	DW	Nursery	
11:00am	DW	Worship	
6:00pm	DW	High School Youth	

Key: DW—DeWitt; SJ—St. Johns; ON—Online; All—All Campuses



# ENEWS Would you like to receive our weekly enews?

Keep up with what's happening, sign-up for our enews. contact us at: office@dewittredeemer.org



#### ONE CHURCH, TWO LOCATIONS

#### DeWitt (Main Office)

13980 Schavey Rd DeWitt, MI 48820

517-669-3430

#### Office Hours:

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

### **Sunday Services:**

In-person: 8:15. 9:30. 11am

Online: 9:30am (FB & YouTube)

#### St. Johns

200 E State St. St. Johns, MI 48879

989-224-6859

#### Office Hours:

Tue & Wed: 1-4pm

#### **Sunday Service:**

9:30am

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# Welcome to Worship!

Welcome to Worship! We are so grateful that you have joined us. Today, we continue our series on the book of Daniel. When you face opposition, will you choose the path of least resistance or will you have the courage to take a stand? We are called to STAND OUT for the right reasons, STAND FIRM when we face trials, and STAND UP to speak the truth in love. Today, we will add ways to STAND STRONG in the face of opposition. Let's worship together!

#### CHECK IN

You are important to us. Guests and members, let us know you are here or leave a prayer request by filling out the connection card in the pew and dropping it in one of the boxes in the back of the worship center. You may also check in online through our app or by scanning this QR code or by visiting:

myredeemer.church/ connect





# **Announcements**



#### **DEWITT SEPTEMBER MESSAGE SERIES**

#### **YOU BELONG**

To "belong" to something means that I am part of that team and committed to the success of that team or organization. In this message series, we will look at the vision of God's church and how "You Belong" to God's family, have a part, and why to invest in it.



ST. JOHNS SEPTEMBER MESSAGE SERIES **PRACTICAL WISDOM FOR EVERYDAY LIVING** (from Proverbs)

A three-week series beginning September 11.

## **OUTREACH**

#### **FOOD PANTRY UPDATE**

Thank you to everyone who supports the Redeemer Food Pantry through prayers, volunteering, and donations. Year-to-date we have served 1,949 individuals, with 40% of those being kids under the age of 17. The food pantry is still struggling to get large quantities of food from warehouses and the Greater Lansing Food Bank and we continue to shop stores every week. Our biggest needs right now are: granola bars, apple juice (64 oz), kid's cereal, chicken flavor Ramen Noodles, canned peaches, family size applesauce, Spaghetti-O's, chunky chicken soups, and canned baked beans. Questions regarding the pantry, contact <u>Suzie</u>.

#### **ADVENT HOUSE LUNCHES**

We are looking for a small group of people to do the September 16<sup>th</sup> Advent House meals.

Redeemer groups provide 100 sack lunches once a month to those in need through Advent House Ministries in Lansing. This is a great small group or family activity. Lunches are assembled here on Sunday morning and then deliver to Advent House. Redeemer covers the cost of meat and bagging supplies, your group provides the balance. To volunteer or for questions please contact Wendy at 517. 819 . 9706 or by email.

## **FAMILY MINISTRIES** • PRESCHOOL - GRADE 12

## KINGDOM KIDS AND KINGDOM QUEST KIDS...

FIRST!!

Today's joke...

What did the cucumber say to the corn?





Join us for Movie Sunday Next week - September 4

- Preschool 3rd grade
- 9:30 in the Multipurpose Room of the kid's wing



# REDEEMER FAMILY MINISTRY TEAMS...



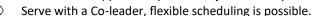
Did you know that it will take approximately <u>55-60</u> volunteers to make Kids and Youth Ministries happen at Redeemer on a Sunday morning. We will be offering classes at both **9:30 & 11:00am** beginning September 11. *Please prayerfully consider joining one of our teams below this fall and help connect our kids and youth with the love and life of Jesus Christ*.

#### REDEEMER KIDS' MINISTRY

EMAIL EMILY OR SIGN UP AT THE INFO CENTER

#### **KINGDOM KIDS • 3-5 YEAR OLDS**

- ADULTS to teach Bible lessons, music, crafts, and games/activities.
  - ♦ Lessons and supplies are provided just be ready to teach!





# **KINGDOM QUEST •** KINDERGARTEN - 3<sup>RD</sup> GRADES

- ♦ KIDS' WELCOME STATION Greet students/families; provide directions to areas
- ♦ **LEADERS** to teach Bible lessons and guide children through activities in specific areas: movies, drama, cooking, art, games and Bible skills.
- ▶ **SHEPHERDS** to greet, participate with and care for kids in KQ
- TECH ASSISTANT to operate the AV equipment for opening program, movies, and lesson question time.

#### **THE BRIDGE • GRADES 4-5**

- LEAD TEACHERS to serve bi-weekly or weekly to lead various activities including Bible lessons, crafts, dramas, and videos.
- ASSISTANTS to serve bi-weekly or weekly to help the lead teacher with various activities including Bible lessons, crafts, dramas, and videos.



#### REDEEMER YOUTH MINISTRY

6-8TH GRADES & 9-12 GRADES
EMAIL <u>MEGAN</u> OR SIGN UP AT THE INFO CENTER

**SUNDAY MORNINGS:** We have openings at 9:30am and are working toward starting the 11am service on September 11. These commitments are during service times; we would encourage you to serve at one service and attend the other. Opportunities include: playing/planning games, teaching, and chaperoning as a second adult.

**SUNDAY NIGHTS:** High School youth group runs 6-7:30pm, we take this time to follow up with the mornings lesson, play games, and have snacks as well!

**TUESDAY NIGHTS:** Middle School youth group runs 6-7:30pm. Our evening youth groups focus on small group connection to reinforce lessons from Sunday mornings.

**WEDNESDAY AFTERNOONS:** We have Open Gym on Wednesday afternoons for grades 6-12 from 2:30pm-4:30pm. Students are encouraged to bring friends, it's simply a great time of games, sports, and connection! Volunteer on a weekly or monthly basis.





Big Idea:

KNEELING TO PRAY GIVES YOU THE STRENGTH TO STAND

# **GETTING STARTED**

Growing up, what prayers do you remember saying? Who taught you how to pray?

# REFLECTION/DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- 1. What do you think motivated Daniel's fellow officials to "get him"?
- 2. If you were Daniel, how would you have responded to King Darius' decree that no one could pray to anyone but him?
- 3. What impresses you the most about Daniel in this story? What qualities do you admire?
- 4. Share a time when you did the right thing even though it was difficult. What resulted from your obedience to God?
- 5. How would you describe the current state of your prayer life? What's good and what might need improvement?
- 6. How have you seen the power of prayer give you the strength to stand strong? Where do you need to stand strong in your life right now?
- 7. What are the prayer requests on your mind and heart today?

**PRAYER:** Lord God, thank you for this powerful story in Scripture that has been told through the centuries. Your power is awesome and we give you all the glory. We ask for you to help us Stand Strong in all of the places that we need to in these days. In the name of Christ, we pray, Amen.

**GOING DEEPER:** Read Daniel 6:1-28. What new insights or details do you notice in reading this story as an adult? When in your life have you experienced God in the midst of a "lions den" of skeptics, critics, etc.? How has God been your lifeline?

## **FOCUS SCRIPTURES:**

AUGUST 28, 2022

"At this, the administrators and the satraps tried to find grounds for charges against Daniel in his conduct of government affairs, but they were unable to do so. They could find no corruption in him, because he was trustworthy and neither corrupt nor negligent. Finally, these men said, 'We will never find any basis for charges against this man Daniel unless it has something to do with the law of his God."

Daniel 6:4-5 "Three times a day he got down on his knees and prayed, giving thanks to his God, just as he has done before." Daniel 6:10

# My Notes: