

## HAPPENING THIS WEEK

### SUNDAY AUGUST 14

8:15am	DW	Worship
9:30am	ALL	Worship & Livestream
9:30am	DW	Christian Education <i>Grades 4-12</i>
9:30am	DW	Adult Bible Study
9:30 & 11am	DW	Nursery
11:00am	DW	Worship
6:00pm	DW	High School Group

### MONDAY AUGUST 15

5:30pm	DW	MOPS Leader meeting
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### TUESDAY AUGUST 16

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

### WEDNESDAY AUGUST 17

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 AUGUST 18

7:00pm	DW	Trustee Meeting
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### FRIDAY AUGUST 19 Building closed

### SATURDAY AUGUST 20

9:30am	SJ	Yoga (St. Johns Campus)
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### SUNDAY AUGUST 21

8:15am	DW	Worship
9:30am	ALL	Worship & Livestream
9:30am	DW	Movie Sunday - <i>Grades Preschool-3</i>
9:30am	DW	Christian Education <i>Grades 4-12</i>
9:30am	DW	Adult Bible Study
9:30 & 11am	DW	Nursery
11:00am	DW	Worship
2-4pm	DW	Pool Party for High School YG
	DW	NO High School Youth Group (see Pool P.)

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



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#### 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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MESSAGE: Stand FIRM

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Week 2 of the Series STAND

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## Welcome to Worship!

We are so grateful that you have joined us. Today, we continue our series on the book of Daniel entitled "Stand." When you are pushed to the limit, will you choose the path of least resistance or will you have the courage to take a stand? Last week, we looked at a time when Daniel took an opportunity to STAND OUT in order to honor God. This morning, we will look at when Daniel's friends chose to STAND FIRM in faith in a very difficult moment.

#### 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](http://myredeemer.church/connect)



## 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](mailto:office@dewittredeemer.org)



# Announcements

## SMALL GROUPS

**Small Group Leaders**—this fall we will be launching a six week, all-church study, in October. If you would be interested in serving as a small group leader, contact Pastor Debbie at [debbie@dewittredeemer.org](mailto:debbie@dewittredeemer.org). Thanks!

## OUTREACH

### MOBILE FOOD DRIVE

We are looking for volunteers to help with the upcoming Mobile Food Drive on Wednesday, August 24, from 3:30-6:00pm. The event is outside and does require standing and light lifting – if you can help, please sign up at [myredeemer.church/outreach](http://myredeemer.church/outreach) or contact Suzie at [sunruh@dewittredeemer.org](mailto:sunruh@dewittredeemer.org).



### WHAT'S HAPPENING NEXT...

#### Upcoming Outreach Activities

- W 8/24 - Mobile Food Pantry at DeWitt

> To help, sign-up on our [website](http://myredeemer.church/outreach). ([myredeemer.church/outreach](http://myredeemer.church/outreach))



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**facebook.**



This week #BeTheChurch volunteers will deliver bottled water to local police and fire departments in St. Johns & DeWitt! It's just our simple way of saying Thank You! Join us in setting aside a special time to offer a prayer of health, safety, and protection to those that serve the communities we love!

## FAMILY MINISTRIES • PRESCHOOL - GRADE 12



- **NEXT Sunday - August 21**
- Preschool - 3rd grade
- 9:30 in the Multipurpose Room of the kid's wing
- Snacks provided.

### HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS - MARK YOUR CALENDAR

**Pool Party:** Sunday, August 21 - 2-4pm. For details DM, text or email [Megan](mailto:Megan). (9-12 grades; no High School Youth Group at 6pm)



## REDEEMER FAMILY MINISTRY TEAMS...



Did you know that it will take approximately 55-60 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

CONTACT [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!
  - ◇ Serve with a Co-leader, flexible scheduling is possible.
- ♦ **STUDENT VOLUNTEERS** - High school age (to assist Leaders)



#### 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

CONTACT [MEGAN](#) 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:** This one is trickier for some because of the hours! We have Open Gym on Wednesday afternoons from 2:30pm-4:30pm. Students are encouraged to bring friends, it's simply a great time of games, sports, and connection!

# STAND

MESSAGE: Stand FIRM

Daniel 3:5-6; 16-18; 24-28



**Big Idea:** FAITH THAT IS TESTED IS A FAITH THAT CAN BE TRUSTED

## GETTING STARTED

Who is someone you admire for standing up for what they believe?

## REFLECTION/DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. At the dedication ceremony for the king's statue (v.4-8), what was the audience commanded to do? By whom? With what result?
2. What do you admire most about the three men in this story?
3. Who or what do you think the fourth figure in the furnace was? (an optical illusion, an angel, the Son of God, a mystery)
4. Have you had a bad day recently? How can something as ordinary as a bad day challenge your faith?
5. What would have happened if Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego would have bowed or compromised their faith? How have you seen compromise affect your faith?
6. Is there a trial or decision you need to take a firm stand in? Or is there something you know God wants you to do that you need to obey? What steps will you take this week?
7. What are the prayer requests on your mind and heart today?

**PRAYER:** Lord God, we look to you for courage to stand firm in trials, so that we might honor You and reveal Jesus to the world. Help us to be obedient and to trust you for the outcome. May we not give in to compromise. In the name of Christ, we pray, Amen.

**GOING DEEPER:** Read Daniel 2:1-3:30. What kind of relationship had developed between Daniel and his three friends and King Nebuchadnezzar? Why was the king so harsh with these leaders? When have you had to stand firm for something you believed? What was the result? How do you remain faithful "even if he does not" rescue you?

## FOCUS SCRIPTURES:

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*"Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego replied to the king, 'O Nebuchadnezzar, we do not need to defend ourselves before you in this matter. If we are thrown into the blazing furnace, the God we serve is able to save us from it, and he will rescue us from your hand, O king. But even if he does not, we want you to know, O king, that we will not serve your gods or worship the image of gold you have set up.'" Daniel 3:16-18. "They saw that the fire had not harmed their bodies, nor was a hair of their heads singed; their robes were not scorched, and there was no smell of fire on them."* Daniel 3:27

My Notes: