

HAPPENING THIS WEEK

SUNDAY • OCTOBER 15

8:15am	DW	Worship Service
9:15am	DW	Adult Bible Study - Meeting Room
9:30am	ALL	Worship Service & Livestream
9:30am	DW	Nursery / Kids Ministry / Youth Ministry
11:00am	DW	Worship Service
11:00am	DW	Nursery / Kids Ministry
11:00am	DW	Seeker's Bible Study - Meeting Room

MONDAY • OCTOBER 16

TUESDAY • OCTOBER 17

10am-2pm	DW	Food Pantry
5:30-7:00pm	DW	Food Pantry
6:00-7:30pm	DW	Middle School Youth Group - Gym - end door
7:00pm	DW	Leadership Team Meeting - door 3*

WEDNESDAY • OCTOBER 18

10:00am	DW	Senior Bible Study - Meeting Room - door 4*
6:30pm	DW	Family Mission Night - Preschool-grd. 5. - door 3*
7:00pm	DW	Worship Team Practice
7:00pm	DW	Seminar on Dementia Care - Mtg. rm - door 4*

THURSDAY • OCTOBER 19

6:30pm	DW	MOPS/MOMsNext - door 3*
7:00pm	DW	Trustee Meeting - door 4*

FRIDAY • OCTOBER 20 - Office Closed

SATURDAY • OCTOBER 21 - Building Closed

SUNDAY • OCTOBER 22

Baptism Sunday

8:15am	DW	Worship Service
9:15am	DW	Adult Bible Study - Meeting Room
9:30am	ALL	Worship Service & Livestream
9:30am	DW	Nursery / Kids Ministry / Youth Ministry
11:00am	DW	Worship Service
11:00am	DW	Nursery / Kids Ministry
11:00am	DW	Seeker's Bible Study - Meeting Room
6:00-8:00pm	DW	Fright Night - enter door 4*

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

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

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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:

8:15, 9:30, & 11:00am
Online: 9:30am (FB & YouTube)

St. Johns

200 E State St.
St. Johns, MI 48879

989-224-6859

Office Hours:

Tue & Wed: 1:00pm-4:00pm

Sunday Service:

9:30am

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Spiritual Questions: Digging Deep in Romans

MESSAGE: HOW DO I DEAL WITH SUFFERING
Romans 5:1-5; 8:18-30

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Welcome to Worship!

We are blessed that you have joined us for worship today. This morning is the third

week in our message series: "Spiritual Questions: Digging Deep in Romans."

Perhaps you have struggled with the question: Why do bad things happen to good people? Or another question: "How can a good God stand by in the midst of all the pain and suffering in our world?"

Today, we will look at Romans chapter 5 to find some answers to how we deal with painful times in our lives as Christians.

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)



Welcome to Redeemer Church

check in! →

Whether you're at one of our campuses, online, new, or here all the time, be sure to sign-in on a pew card or on the Redeemer app! You can also share prayer request, ask questions, and more.



SIMPLIFY YOUR GIVING

It's becoming easier than ever to do things electronically. At Redeemer Church, we receive 54% of our everyday contributions electronically. If you are interested in this easy care-free way to make your donations, members of our Finance staff will be at a table in the lobby today to assist you and answer any questions you may have.



BAPTISM SUNDAY - OCTOBER 22!

Pastor Debbie is extending an invitation to the congregation to participate in Baptism Sunday. Baptisms will be performed in all three services.

If you are a younger person or adult that has committed your life to Christ and would like to be baptized this day, please contact Pastor [DEBBIE](#) to make arrangements.



- THIS Wednesday, October 18, at 6:30pm
- Families of grades Preschool - 5
- Complete various mission projects together
- Making Fleece & Thank-you Blankets
- Prepping cookie bags for the homeless
- Packing Operation Christmas Child boxes

Still want to donate items for shoe boxes:

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| Bars of soap | Combs/brushes |
| Toothbrushes | Washcloths |
| School supplies | Dolls/balls/jump ropes |



We are excited to continue
FRIGHT NIGHT

- INDOORS!! At Redeemer Church
- Sunday, October 22, 6pm-8pm
- Grades 6-8
- High School volunteers are needed - Sign-up at the info center to help
- No costumes at Fright Night
- FREE Pizza, games, prizes



DON'T MISS THIS HIGH SCHOOL EVENT!

- Join us in the gym
- Pizza, snacks, and beverages provided
- **SIGNUP** so we can estimate snacks and pizza



The seminar has been rescheduled to Wed., Oct. 18, at 7-8pm. (door 4) Join us!

OUTREACH MINISTRIES

SIGN-UP UNDER EVENTS ON OUR MOBILE APP OR AT MYREDEEMER.CHURCH/OUTREACH

FOOD DELIVERIES

Volunteers are always welcome to join us the 3rd Thursday of every month to unload the food pantry food orders. We start at 7:30am and it normally takes about an hour!

ADVENT HOUSE THANK YOU

Thank you to Jim & Sharon Frazer's Small Group for providing the 100 Advent House Shelter lunches this month. Your group's dedication to this ministry since 2012 is a wonderful example of serving others and being the hands and feet of Jesus. May God continue to bless all of you and the individuals that received these meals.



Are you interested in becoming a member of Redeemer? We invite you to attend our Membership Orientation Class.

- 2-session class - Sundays, Nov. 5 & 12
- A light lunch will be served
- Explore the meaning of membership
- Learn about our vision and core values
- No obligation to join
- Sign-up/pickup your free membership book at the information center

QUESTIONS

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

We have several #BeTheChurch volunteer opportunities, please visit the mobile app under SIGN-UPS or the Redeemer [WEBSITE](#).

COMING UP

- Oct 15** – Advent House lunches (Frazer small group)
- Oct 16** – St. Johns Campus Outreach event
- Oct 19** – 7:30am Food Pantry delivery at DeWitt Campus
- Oct 29** – Collection for Holiday Baskets begins
- Nov 6** – Greater Lansing Food Bank – sorting donations
- Nov 8** – Helping Hands at DeWitt Campus
- Nov 9** – Assembling Homeless bags

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BIG IDEA: HOPE IN THE MIDST OF THE PAIN OF OUR WORLD

GETTING STARTED

In your family, who tried to keep the peace? Mom or Dad or someone else?

REFLECTION/DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Out of the areas of suffering, perseverance, character and hope, where is God working in your life right now?
2. How can a Christian look upon suffering and stress? Upon disappointment?
3. What incident in your life can you look back on and see the truth of vs 3-5?
4. Where do you struggle the most in reconciling a good God with the tragedies of our world?
5. What does the Holy Spirit do for us when we do not know how to pray? When is the last time you didn't know how to pray and the Holy Spirit helped or comforted you? (8:26-27)
6. What have you found helpful in dealing with pain and suffering? What "present sufferings" are you struggling with? Where do you find hope?
7. What are the prayer requests on your mind and heart today?

PRAYER: Lord Jesus, if we are truly honest, we struggle when we see suffering in our world or in our lives or others. It is hard and painful. Thank you that you intercede and pray for us when we can't even find the words to say. Help us to trust you through times of suffering and to persevere. May we find our hope in you. In the name of Christ, Amen.

GOING DEEPER: Read Romans 5:1-21. How much of God's peace and hope need to begin with a feeling and how much must begin with head knowledge and conscious claiming of peace and hope? What does "reconciliation" mean to you? (5:11) How does this chapter illustrate why "grace and peace to you" is such an appropriate greeting for Christians?

FOCUS SCRIPTURES:

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"Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand... Not only so, but we also rejoice in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; perseverance, character; and character, hope. And hope does not disappoint us, because God has poured out his love into our hearts by the Holy Spirit, whom he has given us."

Romans 5:1-5

MY NOTES: