

HAPPENING THIS WEEK

SUNDAY AUGUST 6

8:15AM	DW	Worship Service
9:15AM	DW	Adult Bible Study - Meeting room
9:30AM	SJ	Worship Service
10:00AM	DW	Worship Service & Livestream
10:00AM	DW	Happy Camper Summer Series Grades Preschool-5
10:00AM	DW	Nursery

MONDAY AUGUST 7

TUESDAY AUGUST 8

10AM-2PM	DW	Food Pantry
5:30-7:00PM	DW	Food Pantry

WEDNESDAY AUGUST 9

10:00AM	DW	Senior Bible Study - Meeting room - door 4
10-11AM	DW	Sing and Play - Nursery - door 4
2-4PM	DW	Helping Hands Ministry - Meeting room - door 4
5:30-8PM	DW	SUMMER FUN NIGHT!

THURSDAY AUGUST 10

1:00PM	DW	Assemble Homeless Bags - Gym - door 5
7:00PM	DW	Worship Team Practice TONIGHT

FRIDAY AUGUST 11 - Building Closed

SATURDAY AUGUST 12 - Building Closed

SUNDAY AUGUST 13

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

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DeWitt (Main Office)

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Office Hours:

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

Sunday Services:

Summer Worship Times:

8:15 & 10:00am

Online: 10:00am (FB & YouTube)

St. Johns

200 E State St.
St. Johns, MI 48879

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Office Hours:

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

Sunday Service:

9:30am

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MESSAGE: THE MAKING OF A MAN OF GOD

August 6, 2023

1 Kings 17:1-9

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Welcome to Worship!

We are so glad that you have joined us today. Do you ever feel overwhelmed by the weight of problems, in your own life or in our nation and world? It might feel like one thing, then another, then another. This morning, we are starting a brand-new message series called “Elijah—Man of Faith.” Elijah faced challenges over and over again and developed into one of the greatest men of God recorded in all of Scripture. We will look at Elijah’s life during the next four weeks and see how we, too, can find faith in God, no matter what happens.

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](https://myredeemer.church/connect)



Announcements



WE STILL NEED LOTS OF VOLUNTEERS! JUST 3 DAYS FROM NOW!

There are 2 shifts, you can volunteer one half of the night and enjoy the fun the second half. Please sign-up to volunteer at the information center in the lobby, under events on the mobile app, or on our [WEBSITE](#).

Join us THIS Wednesday, August 9, from 5:30-8PM at the DeWitt campus!!! This fun evening is open to everyone in the community, and everything is FREE! This is our chance to spread the love of Jesus through a fun, relaxing evening.

FAMILY MINISTRIES • 9:30 & 11:00AM BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 10

Did you know that it takes nearly 60 volunteers to make Kids and Youth Ministries happen at Redeemer. Along with those already volunteering, we need new people to step up and help. *Please prayerfully consider joining one of the 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 - GRADE 3

KIDS' WELCOME STATION • Greet students/families; provide directions to classrooms, and assist with NEW DIGITAL CHECK-IN system

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-monthly or once a month to lead various activities including Bible lessons, crafts, dramas, and videos.

ASSISTANTS to serve bi-monthly or once a month to help the lead teacher with various activities including Bible lessons, crafts, dramas, and videos.



REDEEMER YOUTH MINISTRY

GRADES 6-8 & GRADES 9-12 • SIGN UP AT THE INFO CENTER

SUNDAY MORNINGS | SUNDAY NIGHTS | TUESDAY NIGHTS | WEDNESDAY AFTERNOONS

NEXT MINISTRY

The Next Step ministry is still in need of 4-5 people (Pals). This opportunity would take about one to two hours of time per month. The idea is to prayerfully support and connect (by snail mail or email) with a new graduate that is new at "adulting". This can be done as an individual, a couple or a group. The coordinators will give you direction, ideas, fellowship opportunities, and information about the graduate.

*Please understand that this is intended to be one way communication, to help them keep a church connection during this life change.

We are hoping to have a pal assigned to each graduate by August 20. Please contact Lisa Lamb or Sue Ruegsegger through [EMAIL](#) if you are interested.

OUTREACH MINISTRIES

TEACHER & STAFF KITS

We will be assembling 500 kits for DeWitt & St John's school staff on Wednesday, August 16 at 6:30pm. This fun kit is just a nice way to let them know we are praying for them, for the students, and for another safe and successful school year!! Join us at the DeWitt Campus – no need to sign up!! All ages are welcome! (St. John's campus will assemble at our monthly outreach on August 15).



WATER DELIVERY TO LOCAL POLICE AND FIRE

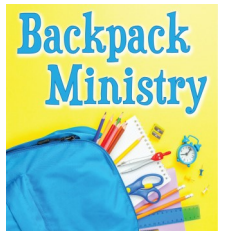
This next week Redeemer volunteers will deliver bottled water to local police and fire departments in St. Johns & DeWitt! It's just our simple way of saying Thank you! Join us in setting aside a special time to offer a prayer of health, safety, and protection to those that serve the communities we love!

HELPING HANDS

Helping Hands continues to meet the 2nd Wednesday of every month from 2-4 PM at the DeWitt Campus. All skill levels are needed for sewing, cutting, ironing, and filling. This month they will start on SafeCenter kid bags and stringing LOTS of Helping Women Period bags. Join us!!!

BACKPACK MINISTRY

Redeemer Outreach is extremely grateful and excited about all of the backpacks and school supplies received so far! SafeCenter has seen an increase in numbers so we have the opportunity to provide all the kids filled backpacks, increasing our goal to 225. Please remember that the deadline to return items is next Sunday, August 13th. Donations can be dropped off Monday – Thursday from 8:30am – 4:30pm at the DeWitt Campus and Tuesday and Wednesday from 1:00 – 4:00pm at the St. John's Campus. Thank you for helping kids start the school year off equipped to learn!





THE MAKING OF A MAN OF GOD

1 KINGS 17:1-9

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Big Idea: GOD PROVIDES IN IMPOSSIBLE SITUATIONS

GETTING STARTED

What is one of your favorite snack foods?

REFLECTION/DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What God led Elijah to a period of hiding in the Kerith Ravine. Kerith means “cut off or cut down.” Describe a painful experience that God used to shape you into who you are today.
2. God taught Elijah to depend on Him daily for food and water. What are you trusting God for right now?
3. After the brook dried up, Elijah trusted God’s word to move on to Zarephath. Is there a “dry brook” in your life God is using to lead you to take a step of faith?
4. What impresses you most about Elijah in this passage?
5. How do you think the widow felt about Elijah’s words in vs. 13-14?
6. On a scale of 1 (almost empty) to 10 (overflowing), where do you feel your ‘oil supply’ (God’s blessing) is at in your life right now? Why?
7. What are the prayer requests on your mind and heart today?

PRAYER: Lord God, thank you for allowing us to see Elijah’s story in Scripture. You provided for him at every turn and you promise to do that for us as well. Help us to see and rejoice at what you have given to us. In the name of Christ, we pray, Amen.

GOING DEEPER: Read I Kings 17:1-24. What ‘jars and jugs’ are running dry for you? Will the Lord do something miraculous for you? Why or why not? Do you have any ‘impossible’ requests to bring before the Lord? Where is God calling you to trust Him as your Provider?

FOCUS SCRIPTURES:

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“Now Elijah, who was from Tishbe in Gilead, told King Ahab, ‘As surely as the Lord, the God of Israel, lives—the God I serve—there will be no dew or rain during the next few years until I give the word!’ The Lord said to Elijah, ‘Go to the east and hide by Kerith Brook, near where it enters the Jordan River. Drink from the brook and eat what the ravens bring you, for I have commanded them to bring you food. So Elijah did as the Lord told him and camped beside Kerith Brook, east of the Jordan. The ravens brought him bread and meat each morning and evening, and he drank from the brook.”

I Kings 17:1-6

MY NOTES: