

HAPPENING THIS WEEK

SUNDAY • OCTOBER 12

8:15am	Worship Service
8:15am	Nursery
9:15am	Bible Study - Meeting Room
9:30am	Worship Service & Livestream & Bible Sunday
9:30am	Engage High School - High School Room
9:30am	Radiate Middle School - Gym
9:30am	Nursery / Kids Club - Kids Wing
11:00am	Worship Service & Bible Sunday
11:00am	Nursery / Kids Club - Kids Wing
11:00am	THE CHOSEN Bible Study - Meeting Room
6:30pm	Engage High School Group - Gym - Door 6*

MONDAY • OCTOBER 13

10:00-11:00am	MiniCo Playgroup - Nursery - Door 4*
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TUESDAY • OCTOBER 14

10:00am-2:00pm	Food Pantry Open
5:30pm-7:00pm	Food Pantry Open
6:00pm	Radiate Middle School - Gym - Door 6*

WEDNESDAY • OCTOBER 15

10:00am-11:45am	Senior Bible Study - Meeting Room - Door 4*
7:00pm	Worship Team Practice

THURSDAY • OCTOBER 16

6:30-8:30pm	MomCo - Multipurpose Room - Door 3*
7:00pm	Trustee Meeting - High School Room - Door 4*

FRIDAY • OCTOBER 17 - Office Closed

SATURDAY • OCTOBER 18

SUNDAY • OCTOBER 19

8:15am	Worship Service
8:15am	Nursery
9:15am	Bible Study - Meeting Room
9:30am	Worship Service & Livestream
9:30am	Engage High School - High School Room
9:30am	Radiate Middle School - Gym
9:30am	Nursery / Kids Club - Kids Wing
11:00am	Worship Service
11:00am	Nursery / Kids Club - Kids Wing
11:00am	THE CHOSEN Bible Study - Meeting Room
12:15-1:15pm	Starting Point - Meeting Room
6:00pm	Fright Night - Gym - Door 6*
6:30pm	Engage High School Group - (Fright Night)

*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

Sunday Services:

8:15, 9:30, & 11 am

Online: 9:30 am (FB & YouTube)

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LIVING LIFE BACKWARD

How would life look different if you chose to live with the end in mind? The biblical book of Ecclesiastes has a lot to say about living life backward...and maybe starting at the end will help us reconsider what it means to "live well" moving forward.

MESSAGE: BURSTING THE BUBBLE

October 12, 2025

Text: Ecclesiastes 1:12 - 2:26

Pew Bible: 551-552

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.



Bible Sunday

October 12

9:30 & 11 Services

Bibles will be presented to students in Grades 1, 3, & 6.



BIBLE SUNDAY | NO SIGN UP

- **TODAY**
- 9:30 Service: Grades 1, 3, and 6
- 11 Service: Grades 1 and 3
- Students will start in their classroom and will be brought into the Worship Center.
- Parents encouraged to accompany kids in Grades 1 & 3 on stage, plus bring any younger children sitting with them.
- Learn more online under [EVENTS](#)



FRIGHT NIGHT | VOLUNTEER SIGN UP

- Sunday, October 19 | 6-8 pm
- For: Middle School, Grades 6-8
- High School student volunteers needed as scarers - (arrive at 5 pm for set up)
- Indoor fun with food, games, & prizes
- No costumes at Fright Night
- Learn more online under [EVENTS](#)



FALL FESTIVAL | VOLUNTEER SIGN UP

- Sunday, October 26 | 5-7 pm
- Enjoy hayrides*, inflatables, photo booth, games for all ages, and lots of food & treats
- *Hayrides are weather-dependent. Inflatables will be set up in the gym.
- No cost to attend; Invite your friends
- Learn more & sign up to volunteer online under [EVENTS](#)



WINTER WEEKEND | SIGN UP

- February 13 - 15
- For: High School, Grades 9-12
- Location: SpringHill Campus in Ewart, MI
- Outdoor: Tubing hill, ice skating, & more
- Indoor: Pool, high ropes, arcade, & more
- Worship, Speaker sessions & discussions throughout the weekend
- Learn more online under [EVENTS](#)



STARTING POINT | SIGN UP

- October 19 | 12:15 - 1:15 pm
- Newer to Redeemer? Meet other newcomers plus learn about Redeemer's history, mission, core values, and ask any questions you may have.
- Light lunch provided
- No cost to attend
- Learn more & RSVP online under [EVENTS](#)



MEIJER SIMPLY GIVE | NO SIGN UP

- Campaign: Now - December 27
- Double Match Day: December 13
- Goal: raise \$5,000 so that Meijer can Double Match it for an extra \$10,000 in food-only gift cards for the Food Pantry
- Contributions to our goal can be made as a donation online to the Food Pantry under GIVE or dropped in an Offering Box on Sunday mornings.
- Learn more online under [EVENTS](#)



GL FOOD BANK | SIGN UP

Work on projects at GLFB Warehouse in Bath:
October 30 | November 13 | Both at 9 am

BLESSING BAGS | NO SIGN UP

Get a bag (or two) in the lobby & share the love of Jesus to people on street corners or drop them off at a "Tiny Pantry" around the city.

#BTC EVENING OUTREACH | NO SIGN UP

Work on projects to bless those in need:
October 23 | 6:30 pm

#BETHECHURCH EVENT CALENDAR

Find sign-ups & learn more online under [Outreach](#) or on the Redeemer mobile app under sign ups.

Oct 12 - Hand out items at the park

Oct 16 - Food Pantry delivery @ 7:30 am

Oct 16 - #BTC event with MomCo

Oct 17 - St. Vincent de Paul - sort donations

Oct 20 - Work of Heart Foster Kids

Oct 23 - #BTC Evening Outreach @ 6:30pm

Oct 30 - GL Food Bank - sort donations



Follow Redeemer Outreach on Facebook to see all the ways your donations and volunteer efforts are sharing the love of Jesus and supporting those facing tough times.

LIVING LIFE BACKWARD

Message: BURSTING THE BUBBLE October 12, 2025
Text: Ecclesiastes 1:12 - 2:26 Pew Bible: 551-552

BIG IDEA | GOD GIVES WISDOM, KNOWLEDGE, AND JOY TO THOSE WHO HONOR HIM

"I said to myself, 'Come on, let's try pleasure. Let's look for the 'good things' in life.' But I found that this, too, was meaningless." V.4—"I also tried to find meaning by building huge homes for myself and by planting beautiful vineyards." V.8—"I collected great sums of silver and gold... I had everything a man could desire!" V.11—"But as I looked at everything I had worked so hard to accomplish, it was all so meaningless—like chasing the wind." V.24—"So I decided there is nothing better than to enjoy food and drink and to find satisfaction in work. These pleasures are from the hand of God." Ecclesiastes 2:1-24

MY NOTES:

GETTING STARTED

What is your most valued possession? Who would you like to leave it to when you die?

REFLECTION/DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What paradox does the Teacher find in the pursuit of happiness in this life? (v.1-3)
2. What "great projects" does the Teacher undertake? (v.4-8) What desires were such projects meant to satisfy?
3. What is the most important project you have undertaken in the last year? How do you measure your success in that?
4. What do the lives of people you know reveal about what they think will make them happy?
5. What strategies do people use to avoid facing the reality of death? What do you make of the idea that death can give us the perspective we need to begin to enjoy life?
6. How does a passage like this help you focus on the truly important things in life? What are they?
7. What are the prayer requests on your mind and heart today?

PRAYER: Lord God, thank you for so many things that you have given to us in this life. We confess that we seek happiness in all kinds of ways. But we know that it doesn't come through striving; it comes as a gift from your hand. Help us to honor you in all that we do, so we can experience your wisdom and joy. Thank you for your goodness and grace. In the name of Christ, we pray, Amen.

GOING DEEPER: Read Ecclesiastes chapters 1-2. How do you feel? Encouraged or depressed? Why is the Teacher so unhappy with what so many would call success? What does it mean to "please God" in this context? What does God have to do with satisfaction in work?