

HAPPENING THIS WEEK

SUNDAY • JULY 20

8:15am	Worship Service
8:15am	Nursery
9:15am	Adult Bible Study - Meeting Room
10:00am	Worship Service
10:00am	Nursery / Kids Club
11:15am-12:15pm	Seekers Bible Study - Meeting Room

MONDAY • JULY 21

1:00pm-2:30pm	Powerful Tools for Caregivers
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TUESDAY • JULY 22

10:00am-2:00pm	Food Pantry Open
5:30pm-7:00pm	Food Pantry Open

WEDNESDAY • JULY 23

10:00am	Sing & Play - Nursery - Door 4*
7:00pm	Worship Team Practice

THURSDAY • JULY 24

FRIDAY • JULY 25 - Office Closed

SATURDAY • JULY 26

SUNDAY • JULY 27

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*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

Summer Sunday Services:

8:15 & 10 am

Online: 10 am (FB & YouTube)

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TOO BUSY NOT TO PRAY



The world is spinning at a break-neck pace. Summer is nearly half over already. Brokenness and pain in our lives and all around us keeps coming. The urgent need for prayer is clear, but busyness keeps many of us from finding time to pray. In this series, we are going to slow down, decide that prayer matters, that your prayers matter, and that there really is a God who is willing and able to help you in your time of need.

MESSAGE: WHEN PRAYER FEELS HARD

July 20, 2025

Text: James 5: 13-16; Isaiah 58: 6-14

Pew Bible: 1022 & 614

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.



Backpack Ministry



BACKPACK MINISTRY ITEMS

Collecting:

- Now - August 10
- Find the list of needed items online under [EVENTS](#)

Assembling:

- Sunday, August 17 | 11 am
- No sign up needed; all are welcome!
- Learn more online under [EVENTS](#)

BACKPACK MINISTRY VOLUNTEERS

We need volunteers to sort, move, & deliver!

- **Sort items** – Wednesday, July 30 at 10 am
- **Move Backpacks** – Friday, August 8 at 2 pm
- **Sort & Inventory** – Tues, August 12 at 10 am
- **Deliver Backpacks** – Monday, Aug 18

Thank you to Gunnisonville UMC, St. Jude's Catholic Church, and 5 Star Physical Therapy Specialists for joining our efforts this year!!!

SpringHill Day Camp

Right here at Redeemer

August 4-8

For: Students who have completed Kindergarten - 5th Grade

★ **\$100 off** Early Bird Camp Code available through **July 31!**

DEADLINE EXTENDED!

★ **\$50 off** /child when registering siblings!

SPRINGHILL DAY CAMP VOLUNTEERS

Want to volunteer to help at SpringHill Day Camp? Below are the positions and the required quantities of personnel we need.

- **5 CITs (Counselor-in-Training):** ages 13-15 (if they are almost 13 and really mature, contact Emily)
- **3 On-Site Prayer Partners**
- **2 Host Partner Counselors:** ages 16+, paid position
- **Learn more & Volunteer online under [EVENTS](#)**

SPRINGHILL CAMPERS

SpringHill Day Camp is a week-long camp experience for students who have completed K - 5th Grade. Students will experience High Adventure activities, Water Fun, Games, & Crafts, all while growing their relationship with Jesus Christ. **Hurry, registration closes soon!**

Also:

\$100 off Early Bird Camp Code deadline extended to July 31!

MEMBERSHIP CLASS

Sundays, August 3 & 17
11:15 AM - 12:30 PM

MEMBERSHIP CLASS

If you are interested in finding out more about becoming a member of Redeemer, we invite you to attend our Membership Class.

- **Classes:** Aug 3 & 17 | 11:15 am - 12:30 pm
- **Joining Sunday:** August 24
- Join us in the Meeting Room
- Light lunch provided
- No cost to attend
- Learn more online under [EVENTS](#)

Powerful Tools FOR Caregivers

Mondays, July 21 - August 25 6 weeks

FREE Workshop here at Redeemer

POWERFUL TOOLS FOR CAREGIVERS STARTS TOMORROW WALK-INS WELCOME!

- Mondays, July 21 - Aug 25 | 1-2:30 pm
- Here at Redeemer Church
- FREE to attend, though donations accepted
- Learn how to: problem-solve, communicate better, work with extended family, providers and care staff, make tough decision, and reduce stress while taking care of yourself.
- To sign up, contact Christine Histed at histedc@tcoa.org.
- Learn more online under [EVENTS](#)

#bethechurch

Opportunities to volunteer and serve every week!

MyRedeemer.Church/Outreach

ADVENT HOUSE

A big thank you to the Sharon Thornton's Family & Friends for preparing and delivering another set of Advent House lunches this year. These meals truly make a meaningful difference for those experiencing homelessness.

RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE MEAL

- Thursday, July 24 | 1:30 - 3 pm
- Need help preparing dinner at RMH
- Sign up under Outreach/#BeTheChurch

#BETHECHURCH EVENT CALENDAR

There are several #BeTheChurch volunteer opportunities available. To get involved, visit the mobile app under Sign-Ups or check out the website at: MyRedeemer.Church/Outreach

July 20 - Advent House Meals

July 20 - Backpack Collection begins

July 20 - Small Group #BTC Event (private group - schedule yours today with Suzie)

July 21 - Special RMH project (see #BTC sign up)

July 24 - Ronald McDonald - making dinner

July 30 - Sort backpack supplies

Redeemer Outreach on Facebook:
facebook.com/bethechurch.redeemer.mi



“Are any of you suffering hardships? You should pray. Are any of you happy? You should sing praises. Are any of you sick? You should call for the elders of the church to come and pray over you, anointing you with oil in the name of the Lord. Such a prayer offered in faith will heal the sick, and the Lord will make you well. And if you have committed any sins, you will be forgiven. Confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The earnest prayer of a righteous person has great power and produces wonderful results.”
James 5:13-16

MY NOTES:

GETTING STARTED

Who is someone you admire as a person of prayer?

REFLECTION/DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. According to this passage, what should you do when you are: in trouble? Happy? Sick? How apt are you to do any of these?
2. How is confession and prayer a part of the healing process? What is the connection between the physical and spiritual areas of our life?
3. Why pray for the same thing day after day? Why do you persist?
4. Share about a time you were disappointed in prayer. What did you do? Did you give up?
5. How can you tell if God is answering “Wait” or “No” when you don’t see answers to prayer?
6. Have you memorized any verses to use in prayer under stress? If so, which ones? What short “breath prayer” feels most authentic for you?
7. What are the prayer requests on your mind and heart today?

PRAYER: Lord Jesus, thank you for the ability to communicate with you in prayer. We confess that sometimes prayer feels hard when we don’t see the answers that we desire. Help us to persevere and never give up. May we find our strength in you. In the name of Christ, we pray, Amen.

GOING DEEPER: Read James 5:1-20. What does James call Christians to wait for patiently? How does the farmer image relate to our waiting? How does this passage encourage you? Where in your life do you need God’s help to patiently persevere?