

HAPPENING THIS WEEK

SUNDAY • MARCH 17 • CONFIRMATION 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
11:00am	DW	12 Confirmations & 1 Baptism

MONDAY • MARCH 18

10:00am	DW	MOMCo Playdate - Gym - Door 5*
5:00pm	DW	MOMCo Playdate - Gym - Door 5*

TUESDAY • MARCH 19

10am-2pm	DW	Food Pantry
5:30-7:00pm	DW	Food Pantry
6:00-7:30pm	DW	Middle School Youth Group - End Door

WEDNESDAY • MARCH 20

10:00am	DW	Senior Bible Study - Meeting Room - Door 4*
6:00-7:30pm	DW	Women's Isaiah Bible Study - HS Rm. - Door 4*
6:30pm	DW	#BeTheChurch Evening Outreach
7:00pm	DW	Worship Team Practice

THURSDAY • MARCH 21

6:30pm	DW	MOMCo Meeting - C1 - Door 3*
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FRIDAY • MARCH 22 - Office Closed

SATURDAY • MARCH 23 - Building Closed

SUNDAY • MARCH 24 • PALM 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 (SPRING BREAK)
11:00am	DW	Worship Service
11:00am	DW	Nursery / Kids Ministry
11:00am	DW	Seeker's Bible Study - Meeting Room

*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, & 11:00 am
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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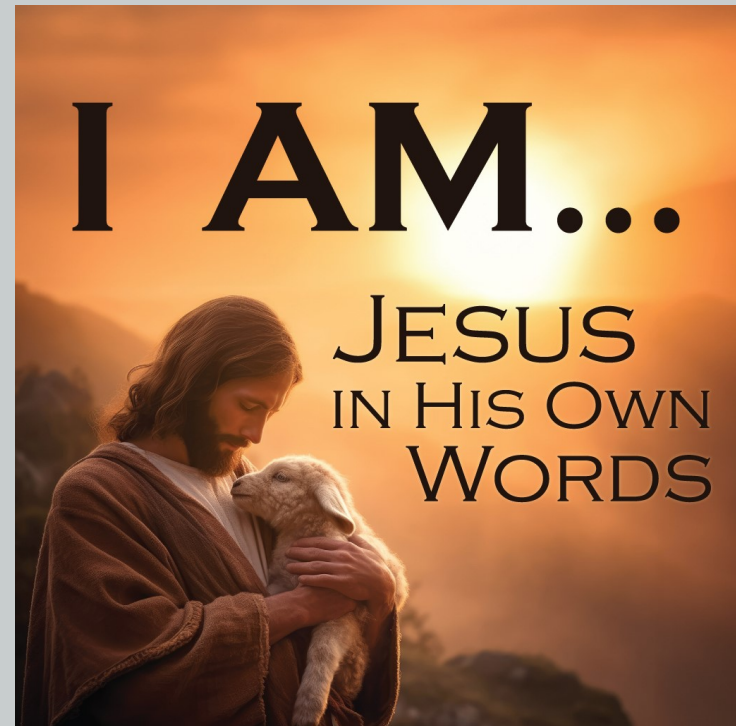
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JESUS...so many people think they know all about him. Some don't really know him at all. Join us during the season of Lent as we discover how Jesus described his mission and purpose...in His own words!

MESSAGE: I AM... THE TRUE VINE

Mar 17, 2024

Text: John 15: 1-5

Pew Bible page: 897

Welcome to Redeemer!

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, on the Redeemer app, online, or use the QR code! You can also share prayer requests, ask questions, & more.



CONFIRMATION 2024

Join us today in congratulating our 12 Confirmation Students:

Jennelle Aboagye, Amelia Avery, William Groulx, Matilyn Grubich, Brandon Keefe, Carter Keefe, Cadence Menke, Lucas Parker, Cole Render, Owen Shadduck, Neil Woodbury, Owen Zelski

Congratulations on this step in your faith journey and may you continue to grow and be blessed in Christ. Congratulations to Cole Render who is also being baptized today!



GOOD FRIDAY SERVICES

DeWitt Campus:

- Friday, March 29 | 7 pm
- Service will be livestreamed

St Johns Campus:

- Friday, March 29 | 12 pm



EASTER SUNDAY SERVICES

Join us for an inspiring service of worship as we look at the ways the resurrection of Jesus changed the first disciples and the ways that it can change you today. Bring the whole family; everyone is welcome! Find new life this Easter and a fresh start with Christ.

DeWitt Campus:

- Sunday, March 31 | 8:15 | 9:30 | 11
- Kids Ministry at the 9:30 service

St Johns Campus:

- Sunday, March 31 | 9:30 am



EASTER OFFERING

Our Easter Offering is going to three ministries that reach people internationally, regionally, and locally:

- *International:* Ignite Your Faith Ministries
- *Regional:* Haven House
- *Local:* #BTC Mission Outreach

To learn more and donate, go online to our website and app under [GIVE](#).

Dear church family,

It is with a heavy heart I share with you that my last Sunday as worship director will be Easter Sunday, March 31. Over the last few months, I've sensed God leading me to a new chapter. As much as I truly love leading worship here, the ministry schedule has become increasingly difficult to keep up with, especially with busy kids. This was not an easy decision to make, and I am broken-hearted to leave both the worship volunteers and this congregation. God is doing great things at this church and I know He will continue His work in you all. Thank you for welcoming me and my family, and for letting me share the last few years with you. — Bethany



ADVENT HOUSE THANK YOU

Thank You to Ms. Emily and the Kids Ministry families for providing the 100 Advent House shelter lunches this month.

#BETHECHURCH EVENING OUTREACH

- Wednesday, March 20 | 6:30 pm
- DeWitt Campus in the Gym
- Projects Include: assembling Street Team food bags, Easter bags for local kids, making Plarn, and more!
- No need to sign up

OUTREACH FACEBOOK PAGE

#BeTheChurch has its own Facebook page!

Find us at:

www.facebook.com/bethechurch.redeemer.mi



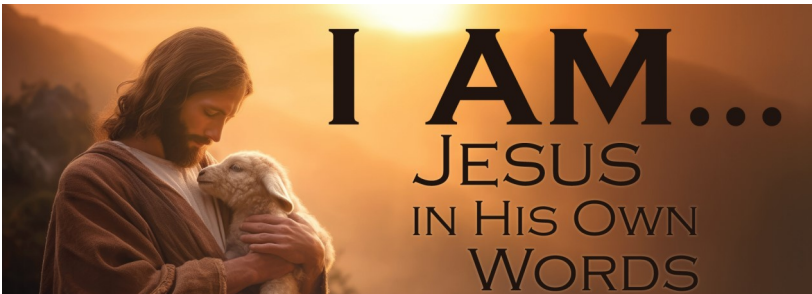
#BETHECHURCH EVENT CALENDAR

THIS WEEK

- Mar 17** - Advent House Lunches
- Mar 18** - SJ #BTC Monthly Outreach
- Mar 20** - DW Evening #BTC Outreach
- Mar 21** - Food Pantry Delivery at 7:30 am

COMING UP

- Apr 4** - Delivering McDonald House Meal
- Apr 8** - Sorting at St. Vincent DePaul
- Apr 10** - Helping Hands
- Apr 11** - Assembling Homeless bags



I AM...
JESUS
IN HIS OWN
WORDS

MESSAGE: I AM... THE TRUE VINE Mar 17, 2024
Text: John 15: 1-5 Pew Bible page: 897

BIG IDEA: IF YOU ABIDE IN CHRIST, YOU WILL PRODUCE GOOD FRUIT

“I am the true grapevine, and my Father is the gardener. He cuts off every branch of mine that doesn’t produce fruit, and he prunes the branches that do bear fruit so they will produce even more. You have already been pruned and purified by the message I have given you. Remain in me, and I will remain in you. For a branch cannot produce fruit if it is severed from the vine, and you cannot be fruitful unless you remain in me. Yes, I am the vine; you are the branches. Those who remain in me, and I in them, will produce much fruit. For apart from me you can do nothing.”
John 15:1-5 (NLT)

MY NOTES:

GETTING STARTED

What is your favorite plant or flower to grow? Do you have a “green thumb” or not so much?

REFLECTION/DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Jesus repeats: “remain in me, love, and bear fruit” several times. How are these words related?
2. What is the fruit that will last? (v.16)
3. How do vs.9 and 12 tie together? How is love the essential dynamic of the Christian life?
4. Share about a time in your life that you experienced “pruning.” What did you learn from this time? How did God use it to help you grow?
5. What is the link between obedience and prayer? (vs. 7,16; see 14:13-14)
6. What are some practical ways that you “abide” or “remain” connected to the vine, close to Jesus? How do you depend on Him? When is this easy? When is it difficult?
7. What are the prayer requests on your mind and heart today?

PRAYER: Lord Jesus, thank you for being the True Vine that provides for all of the branches. Prune the parts in us that are not effective, so we can grow and produce good fruit. We want our lives to be a reflection of you. Keep us close to the vine. May we abide in you always. In Jesus’ name, we pray, Amen.

GOING DEEPER: Read John 15:1-27. What do you see in the relationship between the Father, Jesus, and the disciples? Do you feel more like Jesus’ servant or his friend? What helps develop the friendship?