HAPPENING THIS WEEK

SUNDAY JANUARY 1 - NEW YEARS DAY
9:30am DW Worship Service & Livestream
Only one service today

MONDAY JANUARY 2

Building closed for the holiday

TUESDAY JANUARY 3

9:00am DW Take down Christmas Decorations
10am-2pm DW Food Pantry
5:30-7pm DW Food Pantry

WEDNESDAY JANUARY 4
10:00am DW S

 10:00am
 DW
 Senior Bible Study

 10:00am
 DW
 Assemble Homeless bags in the Gym

7:00pm DW Worship Team Practice

THURSDAY JANUARY 5

6:30pm DW MOPS/MOMS Next

FRIDAY JANUARY 6 - Building Closed

SATURDAY JANUARY 7 - Building Closed

SUNDAY JANUARY 8 8:15 DW Worship Service ALL 9:30am Worship Service & Livestream 9:30am DW Family Ministries Grades Preschool-12 9:30am DW Adult Bible Study - Meeting Rm 9:30 & 11am DW Nursery 11:00am DW Worship DW 11:00am Family Ministries Grades Preschool-8 6:00pm DW High School Youth

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



DeWitt (Main Office)

13980 Schavey Rd DeWitt, MI 48820

517-669-3430

Office Hours:

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

Sunday Services:

In-person:

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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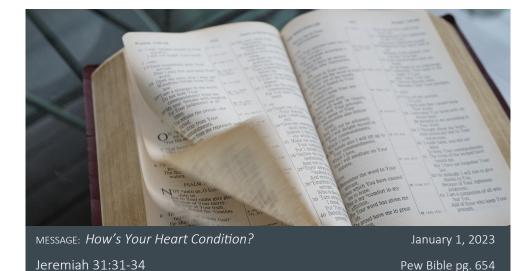
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Welcome to worship!

We are so grateful that you are here today. As we start this brand new year, we come together this morning to renew our commitment to following after God. He is the One who gives us life and breath. We honor and praise Him today! May we follow in His footsteps in every way that we can in the year ahead.



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
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Announcements

JANUARY MESSAGE SERIES —



Ever have trouble with overthinking a situation? Our thoughts are powerful. They change our perspective, impact our decisions, and influence our habits. Thoughts are the internal soundtracks that we listen to even more than our favorite songs. If we listen to any thought long enough, it becomes part of our daily rhythm. Join us for message series based in Philippians called "A New Soundtrack" as we learn to renew our minds with God's truth and combat negative thinking as we begin this year.

TAKING DOWN CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS - TUESDAY, JANUARY 3

We are looking for a few people to help out with taking down Christmas decorations on Tuesday, January 3, <u>especially</u> with taking boxes back to the barn for storage. No need to signup, join us at 9am to take down decorations and at 10am for boxes.

WEEKLY FAMILY MINISTRIES OPPORTUNITIES

SUNDAY MORNING

All programs will resume the week of January 8

Kids Ministry for Preschool-5th grade • 9:30 or 11:00am Youth Ministry for 6-8th grade • 9:30 or 11:00am Youth Ministry for High School • 9:30am

SUNDAY NIGHT

Youth Ministry - High School group • 6:00-7:30pm

TUESDAY NIGHT

Youth Ministry - Middle School group • 6:00-7:30pm

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

Open Gym - MS & HS • 2:30-4:30pm

ADULT BIBLE STUDY

Wednesday Morning • 10:00am-Noon Sunday Mornings • 9:30am

Kid's page



Youth page



MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR THESE UPCOMING EVENTS

Snow Much Fun - Friday, February 3 - Preschool-5th grade families

This will be a fun family event with games and activities.

This is a great invitational event. Bring a friend.

Nerf Wars - Friday, February 10 - Youth Ministry grades 6-12 • 6:00-8:00pm IT'S BACK!! Youth in 6-12 grade, grab your Nerf gear and join us for a blast of a night.

This is a great invitational event. Bring a friend.

#bethechurch 1000 - Sunday, March 5 - All ages welcome for this hands on Outreach event ● 2:00pm

#bethechurch 1000 is looking to bless over 1000 people again this year - and you can help. Mark your calendar to join us at the DeWitt Campus on Sunday, March 5. Stations will be set up in the gym and throughout the lobby. All materials are provided through the missions fund and all ages are encouraged to participate - signup is not required. This is a wonderful way to spend a mid-winter afternoon.

Sleep in Heavenly Peace bed build - Saturday, April 22

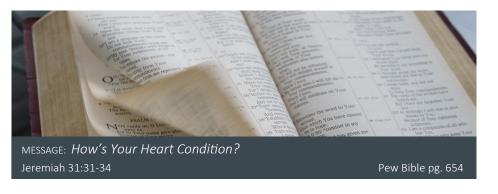
This is a great invitational event. Bring a friend.

This spring Redeemer is excited to once again partner with Sleep in Heavenly Peace (SHP) to build twin beds for local kids and help fill their mission of 'No kid sleeps on the floor in our town'. With the incredible outpouring of monetary fund's we are excited to be able to do more beds than last year, but we are still working with SHP on the logistics and times. We do know it will be on Saturday, April 22, so mark the date on your calendar. Ages 12 on up with an adult are invited to join us. Signup will be required. All supplies will be provided for the build, however, we will be asking for snack and lunch donations. Watch for the event signup and donation signup in upcoming months.

Watch the worship folder, website, and enews as these events get nearer.

REDEEMER OUTREACH

In 2022 the Redeemer family & friends made the #bethechurch & Outreach Ministries a huge success and a year to celebrate!! Be sure to check out the Redeemer Outreach Facebook page (search bethechurch.redeemer.mi) for the newsletter. It highlights all the ways we have connected people to the Love & Life of Jesus! 100% of this is made possible by YOU through your prayers, donations, and time – Thank you for your continued support!



THE COVENANT

In the old covenant, God chose Israel to be a special people and to obey the law. Our Lord Jesus Christ, by his death and resurrection, had made a new covenant with all who trust in him. We stand within this covenant and we bear his name. On the one side, God promises in this covenant to give us new life in Christ. On the other side, we are pledged to live not for ourselves but for God. Today, therefore, we meet to renew the covenant which binds us to God.

The people stand.

Pastor: Friends, let us claim the covenant God has made with his people, and accept the yoke of Christ. To accept the yoke of Christ means that we allow Christ to guide all that we do and are, and that Christ himself is our only reward. Christ has many services to be done; some are easy, others are difficult; some make others applaud us, others bring only reproach; some we desire to do because of our own interests; others seem unnatural. Sometimes we please Christ and meet our own needs, at other times we cannot please Christ unless we deny ourselves. Yet Christ strengthens us and gives us the power to do all things. Therefore, let us make this covenant of God our own. Let us give ourselves completely to God, trusting in his promises and relying on his grace.

Congregation: I am no longer my own, but Thine. Put me to what Thou wilt, rank me with whom Thou wilt; put me to doing, put me to suffering; let me be employed for Thee or laid aside for Thee, exalted for Thee or brought low for Thee; let me be full, let me be empty; let me have all things, let me have nothing. I freely and heartily yield all things to Thy pleasure and disposal. And now, O glorious and blessed God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, Thou art mine and I am Thine. So be it. And the covenant which I have made on earth, let it be ratified in heaven. Amen

FOCUS SCRIPTURES:

Jeremiah 31:31-34

January 1, 2023

"The days are coming," declares the Lord, "when I will make a new covenant with the people of Israel and with the people of Judah. It will not be like the covenant I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to lead them out of Egypt, because they broke my covenant, though I was a husband to them," declares the Lord. "This is the covenant I will make with the people of Israel after that time," declares the Lord. "I will put my law in their minds and write it on their hearts. I will be their God, and they will be my people. No longer will they teach their neighbor, or say to one another, 'Know the Lord,' because they will all know me, from the least of them to the greatest," declares the Lord. "For I will forgive their wickedness and will remember their sins no more."

JOHN WESLEY'S HOLY CLUB QUESTIONS

- Am I consciously or unconsciously creating the impression that I am better than I really am?
- Am I honest in all my acts and words, or do I exaggerate?
- Do I confidentially pass on to another what was told to me in confidence?
- Can I be trusted?
- Am I enslaved to work or habits?
- Am I self-conscious, self-pitying, or self-justifying?
- Did the Bible live in me today?
- Do I give it time to speak to me every day?
- Am I enjoying prayer?
- When did I last speak to someone else about my faith?
- Do I pray about the money I spend?
- Did I disobey God in anything?
- Do I insist upon doing something about which my conscience is uneasy?
- Am I defeated in any part of my life?
- Am I jealous, impure, critical, irritable, touchy or distrusted?
- How do I spend my spare time?
- Is there anyone whom I fear, dislike, disown, criticize, hold a resentment toward or disregard? If so, what am I doing about it?
- Do I grumble or complain constantly?
- IS CHRIST REAL TO ME?