

HAPPENING THIS WEEK

SUNDAY • APRIL 26

8:15am	Worship Service Nursery
9:15am	Bible Study - Meeting Room
9:30am	Worship Service Livestream Nursery
9:30am	Kids Club
9:30am	Radiate Middle School - Gym
9:30am	Engage High School - High School Room
11:00am	Worship Service Nursery
11:00am	Kids Club
11:00am	Bible Study - Meeting Room
12:15pm	Membership Class - Meeting Room
6:30-8:00pm	Engage High School Group - Gym - Door 6*

MONDAY • APRIL 27

6:30pm	Finance Meeting - Multipurpose Rm - Door 4*
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TUESDAY • APRIL 28

10:00am-2:00pm	Food Pantry Open
5:30pm-7:00pm	Food Pantry Open
6:00-7:30pm	Radiate MS Group

WEDNESDAY • APRIL 29

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

THURSDAY • APRIL 30

6:30-8:30pm	MomCo Meeting - Multipurpose Room - Door 3*
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FRIDAY • MAY 1 - Office Closed

SATURDAY • MAY 2

SUNDAY • MAY 3

New Members Join

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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

Sunday Services:

8:15, 9:30, & 11 am

Online: 9:30 am (FB & YouTube)

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ALMOST TRUE

Everywhere you turn, someone is telling you how to live. Many times, it's well-intentioned and "Almost True," but misses the mark in ways that can hurt us. How do we know which truths will actually lead to a meaningful life?

MESSAGE: WHY DOESN'T GOD GIVE ME WHAT I WANT? April 26, 2026
Text: 1 Peter 1:13-22 Pew Bible: 1023

Welcome to Redeemer!

CHECK IN

Whether you're new, here all the time, or online, 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.



Congratulations to the Gonzales family on the baptism of their son, Justice.

TODAY: Membership Class will gather in the Meeting Room at 12:15 pm.



EASTER OFFERING

Our Easter Offering is directed to Clinica San Lucas in Gracias, Honduras. This clinic is run year round by Honduran health care professionals. Bill and Lynda Schoonover, from our congregation, serve by providing dental care to children and adults each February. Your gift enables Clinica San Lucas to obtain medical equipment and supplies, support regular clinic operations, and make health care possible for the people of Gracias and Western Honduras.

Thank you to everyone who gave to the Easter Offering. We raised \$7,500+ to help Clinica San Lucas in Gracias, Honduras!



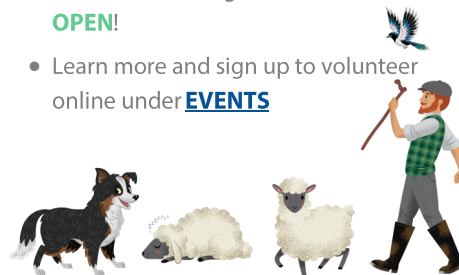
GLOBAL LEADERSHIP SUMMIT

- Thursday, August 6 - Friday, August 7
- Redeemer is hosting a live simulcast of the Global Leadership Summit, a premier world-class leadership event. Learn from experts in the leadership industry, build community, and be encouraged in your own leadership journey.
- Special host pricing: **\$149** thru June 18
- Learn more online under [EVENTS](#)



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL | SIGN UP

- June 15 - 18 | 9 - 11:30 am
- Volunteer registration is now **OPEN!**
- Pre K - Grade 5 registration is now **OPEN!**
- Learn more and sign up to volunteer online under [EVENTS](#)



CULVER'S FUNDRAISER TOMORROW!

- Monday, April 27 | 5-8 pm
- Culver's - DeWitt Location
1030 W Herbison Rd
- "Make Your Meal Matter" and support our High School Mission Trip by eating dinner at Culver's! (drive thru also qualifies)
- Learn more online under [EVENTS](#)



HS MISSION TRIP | SIGN UP

- June 20-25 | Unicoi, Tennessee
- High School students + volunteers
- **Do Something!** Revival isn't just an emotional experience—it's a call to action. If God truly stirs and revives our hearts, it should result in visible obedience, service, and love in motion.
- Learn more online under [EVENTS](#)



SHELTER FREEZER MEALS | SIGN UP

Wednesday, May 20 | 11 am
Support Haven House Family Shelter by preparing freezer meals. Ingredients provided, but please bring 2 large mixing bowls and 2 mixing spoons. Please sign up online since spots are limited.

AFTER THE STORM | SIGN UP

Friday, May 15 | 9 am
In 2023, a huge storm swept through and caused significant damage to many parts of Michigan, including Grand Ledge. After The Storm (a division of UMCOR) is repairing damage, and they need our help to finish drywalling a home for a single mother and her daughter. We'll drywall two 1/2 walls plus tape, mud, and install trim. If you can help, even for an hour or two, please sign up online under #BeTheChurch or contact Suzie Unruh in the church office.

ADVENT HOUSE - THANK YOU

Thank You to Bev & Larry Olsen's Small Group for buying, prepping, & delivering the 100 April Advent House Lunches! We appreciate your support!

#BETHECHURCH EVENT CALENDAR

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

- May 7** - Ronald McDonald House - deliver dinner
 - May 8** - Women's Shelter - serve dinner
 - May 11** - Police & Fire - Water Delivery
 - May 13** - Helping Hands
 - May 14** - #BeTheChurch Evening Outreach
 - May 15** - St. Vincent de Paul - sort clothing
- 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.

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BIG IDEA | TRUE HOLINESS LEADS TO LASTING HAPPINESS

“So you must live as God’s obedient children. Don’t slip back into your old ways of living to satisfy your own desires. You didn’t know any better then. But now you must be holy in everything you do, just as God who chose you is holy. For the Scriptures say, ‘You must be holy because I am holy.’” 1 Peter 1:14-16

‘I say to the Lord, ‘You are my Lord; apart from you I have no good thing.’ Lord, you alone are my portion and my cup; you make my lot secure. You make known to me the path of life; you fill me with joy in your presence, with eternal pleasures at your right hand.” Psalm 16:2,5,11

MY NOTES:

GETTING STARTED

What are some things that make you happy?

REFLECTION/DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Read 1 Peter 1:14-16. What are some ways happiness is different than holiness?
2. How can holiness lead to happiness?
3. What do you think you need to be happy? How might your view and God’s view of happiness be similar or different?
4. Share about a time when you thought something would make you happy, but it did not. What did you learn through that experience?
5. Look at Psalm 16 below. What does David mean when he says the Lord is his portion and his cup? How does it relate to happiness?
6. Where are you pursuing happiness over holiness? What is God calling you to do about it this week?
7. What are the prayer requests on your mind and heart today?

PRAYER: Lord Jesus, thank you for being our source of happiness and holiness. Show us where we are prioritizing happiness or comfort over holiness. Help us to have the wisdom and determination to put you first. Thank you that your love never changes. In the name of Christ, we pray, Amen.

GOING DEEPER: Read 1 Peter 1:14-16, Leviticus 11:44-45, 19:2 and 20:26. Why are the Israelite people instructed to be holy several times in these few chapters of Leviticus? What was God trying to create with this nation in the wilderness? How is Jesus working to create holiness in your life today?