

## HAPPENING THIS WEEK

### SUNDAY JUNE 18

8:15am	DW	Worship Service
9:30am	SJ	Worship Service
10:00am	DW	Worship Service
10:00am	DW	Happy Camper Summer Series <b>Grades Preschool-5</b>
9:15am	DW	Adult Bible Study - Meeting room
10:00am	DW	Nursery

### MONDAY JUNE 19

9:00-11:30am DW Vacation Bible Camp - registration 8:30

### TUESDAY JUNE 20

9:00-11:30am DW Vacation Bible Camp - registration 8:45  
 NOON-2pm DW Food Pantry  
 5:30-7pm DW Food Pantry

### WEDNESDAY JUNE 21

9:00-11:30am DW Vacation Bible Camp - registration 8:45  
~~10:00am DW Senior Bible Study - Meeting room - door 4~~  
 7:00pm DW Worship Team Practice

### THURSDAY JUNE 22

9:00-11:30am DW Vacation Bible Camp - registration 8:45  
 4:00-6:00pm DW Mobile Food Distribution

### FRIDAY JUNE 23 - Building Closed

### SATURDAY JUNE 24 - Building Closed

### SUNDAY JUNE 25

8:15am	DW	Worship Service
9:30am	SJ	Worship Service
10:00am	DW	Worship Service & Livestream
10:00am	DW	Happy Camper Summer Series <b>Grades Preschool-5</b>
9:15am	DW	Adult Bible Study - Meeting room
10:00am	DW	Nursery

### MONDAY JUNE 26

5:00-7:00pm DW Picnic with a Purpose

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



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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:

Summer Worship Times:  
 8:15 & 10:00am  
 Online: 10:00am (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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# I Choose...

PURPOSE *over* POPULARITY

DISCIPLINE *over* REGRET

SURRENDER *over* CONTROL

MESSAGE: *Discipline Over Regret*  
 Genesis 35:1-6; 1 Cor. 9:24-27

June 18, 2023

## Welcome to Worship!

We are so grateful that you are here. Today, we continue our message series entitled, "I CHOOSE..." The decisions we make every day become the story of our lives. We are focusing on being intentional about the choices we make. Last week, we looked at choosing PURPOSE over POPULARITY. This week, we will focus on choosing the pain of DISCIPLINE over the pain of REGRET.

#### 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 center. You may also check in online through our app or by scanning this QR code or by visiting:

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# Announcements



## VACATION BIBLE CAMP IS

**TOMORROW !!!**

Redeemer's STELLAR Vacation Bible Camp kicks off tomorrow for a Monday-Thursday session from 9:00-11:30am.

**ARRIVAL:** Please arrive to DOOR 4 at 8:30am on Monday. *(a little extra time for day 1)*

- All grades will check in just outside Door 4 each morning. Parents will walk their kids into the worship center and/or the Preschool rooms to meet with their group. This is where you will pick them up each day at 11:30.
- **Preschool - Kindergarten** will not travel throughout the building with older kids for the morning. They will stay with their group and have an optional 15 minute time period for the gated playground.

**TUESDAY-THURSDAY:** Arrive at 8:45am for check-in.

**PICK-UP:** Is at 11:30 each day (Monday-Thursday.)

- You will receive a coded Pickup Tag at check-in that will need to be presented in order to pick up your child. (Email [EMILY](#) for special instructions if you have separate people dropping off and picking up.)
- **Preschool - Kindergarten** students will be picked up in the PRESCHOOL HALL from their classroom.
- Students grades 1-5 will be picked up in the WORSHIP CENTER. You will need to come in with the pickup tag to have your children released from the building.
- There will be a closing program on Thursday from 11:30-11:45. Plan to be there to see some of the fun your kids have been having all week!



Join the Redeemer Worship Band at the DeWitt campus grass field for a fun evening on Monday, June 26, from 5-7 PM! There is no charge to attend the event. You may bring a picnic dinner or support the food pantry by purchasing dinner from ChuckieD's food truck and Kona Ice. Part of the proceeds from both food trucks will go directly to the Redeemer food pantry! Bring your own blanket/chairs and join us!!!

## CONGREGATIONAL CARE MINISTRY CANDIDATES

Do you have a loved one or friend who is homebound, lonely, or would like a friendly visit? Redeemer's Congregational Care Ministry is ready to help! Contact either [ELINOR MILLER](#) or the [REDEEMER OFFICE](#).

## OUTREACH MINISTRIES

### PACK THE PANTRY DRIVE:

This year, our [FOOD PANTRY](#) is experiencing greater than normal use—serving a larger number of people plus higher food costs. We have a unique opportunity this summer. We have the potential to receive matching funds for the Redeemer Food Pantry up to \$25,000. This means that every dollar you give to the pantry this summer will be matched, dollar for dollar. This will help us to close the gap between our monthly pantry income and expenses. If you are able to support this drive, please use one of the special envelopes in the pew labeled Food Pantry or use the "Other" tile if you are donating [ONLINE](#).



### MOBILE FOOD DISTRIBUTION

Redeemer's first Mobile Food Drive is this Thursday, June 22. We still have some volunteer spots open. Please see the [SIGN-UP](#) or the Redeemer mobile app to join us. Please pray for good weather.

### ADVENT HOUSE LUNCHES

Thank you to everyone who joined us at the DeWitt Campus to help pack the 100 Advent House Shelter lunches for June and thank you to Laurie Awad for delivering! If you or your small group are interested in providing the lunches in 2024, please reach out to [SUZIE](#).

### MIDWEST MISSION FEMINIE CARE KITS AND MORE

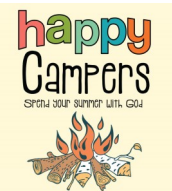
All ages are invited to [SIGN-UP](#) and join us on Wednesday, June 28 for packing kits for Midwest Missions, bagging cookies for the homeless event, and more.

## FAMILY MINISTRIES

### PRESCHOOL THRU GRADE 5 *(grade you are going into)*

Get ready for s'more fun this summer as PreK - Grade 5 students will be camping... right here in the Kids' Wing at Redeemer Church every Sunday at 10 am! Running now through August 27, join us for Bible stories, summer treats, crafts, and more! All students will be combined in the multipurpose room of the Kids wing.

Kids will worship with their families the weekend of July 2 and Labor Day weekend. So come spend your summer with God!





Discipline Over Regret

Genesis 35:1-6; 1 Cor. 9:24-27

Big Idea: **CHOOSE DISCIPLINE NOW OVER REGRET LATER**

### GETTING STARTED

Have you ever signed up for a gym? How many times? How long did it last? What did you learn?

### REFLECTION/DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What memories or feelings would Jacob associate with Bethel (see Gen. 28:10-22)? Why do you think God now asks him to return there?
2. What impresses you about Jacob in this story? How does his family respond to his leadership?
3. “Discipline is choosing between what you want now and what you want most.” How does this statement play out in your own life?
4. Share a story of when you were able to choose discipline over regret. What worked for you?
5. What do you want most? What do you need to do differently now to achieve the thing you want most?
6. What goals could you set this summer that would require you to rely on God’s strength and grace?
7. What are the prayer requests on your mind and heart today?

**PRAYER:** Holy Spirit, we need your power. We need your help to choose discipline now so we don’t have regret later. We know what to do, and then we do what we know we shouldn’t. Give us the ideas, power, and grace to stick with discipline. In the name of Christ, Amen.

**GOING DEEPER:** Read Genesis 28:10-22 and 35:1-15. What is your “Bethel”—where God has met you in times of stress? What makes this place so meaningful? If you were to bury something under the oak at Shechem, what would you bury? Jacob built an altar in response to God’s blessing. How has God blessed you lately?

### FOCUS SCRIPTURES:

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*“Then God said to Jacob, ‘Go up to Bethel and settle there, and build an altar there to God, who appeared to you when you were fleeing from your brother Esau. So Jacob said to his household and to all who were with him, ‘Get rid of the foreign gods you have with you, and purify yourselves and change your clothes. Then come, let us go up to Bethel, where I will build an altar to God, who answered me in the day of my distress and who has been with me wherever I have gone.’ So they gave Jacob all the foreign gods they had and Jacob buried them under the oak.”*

Genesis 35:1-4

### MY NOTES: