

HAPPENING THIS WEEK

SUNDAY • MAY 17

Kids & Youth Move Up Day

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
6:30-8:00pm	Engage HS WING NIGHT! - Gym - Door 6*

MONDAY • MAY 18

10:00-11:00am	MiniCo Playdate - Nursery - Door 4*
10:30am	Prayer Ministry - Meeting Rm. - Door 4* Join Us!
6:30pm	Finance Meeting - Multipurpose Room - Door 3*

TUESDAY • MAY 19

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

WEDNESDAY • MAY 20

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

THURSDAY • MAY 21

6:30-8:30pm	MomCo Meeting - Multipurpose Room - Door 3*
7:00pm	Trustee Meeting - High School Room - Door 4*

FRIDAY • MAY 22 - Office Closed

SATURDAY • MAY 23

SUNDAY • MAY 24

Memorial Day Weekend - No Kids/Youth Classes

8:15am	Worship Service Nursery
9:15am	Bible Study - Meeting Room
10:00am	Worship Service Livestream Nursery
10:00am	Kids Club
11:00am	Bible Study - Meeting Room
6:30-8:00pm	Engage HS Group - Gym - Door 6*

*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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— CENTERED —



As the early church expanded, God raised up leaders to shepherd the people. The Apostle Paul followed the calling and wrote letters of instruction for how to live the Christian life. Join us for this series entitled "Centered" as we put into practice what it means to live a "Christ-centered" life in our everyday world from the book of Colossians.

MESSAGE: THINKING HIGHER

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Text: Colossians 2:6-7, 12, 3:1-4

Pew Bible: 988

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.



Reminder: Summer Hours (8:15 & 10 am) begin next Sunday and there will **not** be Kids/Youth classes due to Memorial Day Weekend.

MEN'S MINISTRY EVENT
Fort Custer Military Museum & Historical Center
BATTLE CREEK, MI

Saturday, June 13 • 10 am

MEN'S MINISTRY EVENT | SIGN UP

- Saturday, June 13 | 10 am
- FREE ADMISSION and exclusive access to Fort Custer Military Museum
- Lunch will be available in dining hall for approximately \$10 per person.
- Meeting at Redeemer at 8:30 to caravan to the museum.
- Learn more and sign up in the lobby or online under [EVENTS](#)

Sunday Morning Summer Hours

May 24 - September 6
(Memorial Day - Labor Day)

8:15 AM Traditional
10 AM Modern

SUNDAY SUMMER HOURS

- May 24 - September 6
(Memorial Day - Labor Day)
- **8:15 am - Traditional Service**
- Nursery
- **10 am - Modern Service**
- Livestream
- Nursery
- Kids Club (*begins May 31*)

\$149 Host Site Pricing
Price available thru June 18

THE GLOBAL LEADERSHIP SUMMIT 2026
August 6-7, 2026

Learn more:

GLOBAL LEADERSHIP SUMMIT | SIGN UP

- Thursday, August 6 - Friday, August 7
- Redeemer is hosting a live simulcast of the Global Leadership Summit 2026.
- Special host pricing: **\$149** thru June 18
- **There's much to do! Sign up to volunteer for one of the many roles needed to host this event.**
- Learn more and sign up to volunteer online under [EVENTS](#)

Redeemer Outreach
#bethchurch
Opportunities to volunteer and serve every week!
MyRedeemer.Church/Outreach

SHP BED DELIVERY | SIGN UP

This week, volunteers will deliver beds to local kids with the mission of No Kid Sleeps on the Floor in Our Town! Please join us in praying for the volunteer teams and kids who will receive the beds! Thank you to everyone who has been a part of our Sleep In Heavenly Peace build this year – it's made an incredible impact!

SHELTER FREEZER MEALS | SIGN UP

Wednesday, May 20 | 11 am
Support Haven House Family Shelter by preparing freezer meals. Sign up online under #BTC.

LANSING SHELTER - MEN | SIGN UP

Thursday, May 21 | 5:30 pm
Need volunteers (15+) to serve dinner. Sign up online under #BTC.

ADVENT HOUSE

A big thank you to the Ruhno Small Group for buying, preparing, and delivering this month's Advent House lunches. These meals truly make a difference to those experiencing homelessness.

#BETHECHURCH EVENT CALENDAR

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

- May 18** - Work of Heart Foster Kids
- May 20** - Freezer Meals for Haven House Shelter
- May 20** - SHP Bed Deliveries @ 2 pm & 6 pm
- May 21** - Food Pantry Delivery @ 7:30 am
- May 21** - Men's Shelter - serve dinner
- May 24** - #BTC Event with Scanlan Small Group
(If your small group would like to do an Outreach project this summer, contact Suzie Unruh.)

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.

REDEEMER STUDENT MINISTRIES PRESENTS

HOT ONES WING NIGHT

PLUS: 8TH GRADE MOVE-UP NIGHT!
ALL CURRENT 8TH GRADERS ARE INVITED!

BRING THE MEAT!

AWESOME WINGS BIG FLAVOR, ALL THE SAUCE!
HOT ONES CHALLENGE ARE YOU BRAVE ENOUGH?
GREAT PEOPLE GREAT NIGHT GOOD FOOD, BETTER FRIENDS!

MAY 17TH 6:30 - 8:30 PM REDEEMER STUDENT CENTER

BRING A FRIEND. BRING YOUR APPETITE. LET'S TURN UP THE HEAT!

HS WING NIGHT - TONIGHT!

- Sunday, May 17 | 6:30-8:30 pm
- For: High School students & all current 8th Graders. It's move-up night!
- Bring a friend. Bring your appetite. Let's turn up the heat!
- Learn more online under [EVENTS](#)

Is there a God who cares?

EMERALD CROSSING
An Irish Adventure through Psalm 23

June 15-18 Save the date! 9-11:30 am

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL | SIGN UP

- June 15 - 18 | 9 - 11:30 am
- Pre K - Grade 5 & Volunteer registration is **OPEN!** Sign up now!
- **We need supplies! Check out our Amazon page (on VBS homepage.)**
- Learn more, find donation needs, and sign up to volunteer online under [EVENTS](#)



FALL STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN

For many years, our Commitment Sunday has been held in May. After thoughtful conversations with our Staff, Finance Team, and Leadership Team, we are going to shift our stewardship emphasis to November. This will align our giving year with the calendar year, inviting you to make a financial commitment from Jan. 1 thru Dec. 31, 2027. For the remainder of 2026, we invite you to continue giving at your current commitment level or as the Lord directs you. Please call or email the church office with any questions.



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BIG IDEA | LIFE IS MOVING IN THE DIRECTION OF YOUR STRONGEST THOUGHTS

“So, then, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live in him, rooted and built up in him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness.” Colossians 2:6-7

“Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things. For you died, and your life is now hidden with Christ in God. When Christ, who is your life, appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.”

Colossians 3:1-4

MY NOTES:

GETTING STARTED

What does “living in Christ” involve? What words would you use to describe it?

REFLECTION/DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What does the phrase “rooted and built up” in faith imply to you?
2. When have you felt as if the “roots” of your faith in Christ were barely below the surface? What helps you sink those roots deeper?
3. “Overflow with thankfulness...” When is this practice easy or hard for you? How can you reframe your circumstances to include gratitude?
4. How is setting your mind and heart on Christ related to what he has already done for us (3:1)? To what he will do for us (3:4)?
5. “Most of life’s battles are won or lost in the mind.” Do you agree or disagree with this statement? Why?
6. What truth from Scripture can you use to replace the “negative loop” that runs in your head and heart?
7. What are the prayer requests on your mind and heart today?

PRAYER: Lord Jesus, thank you for the promise that we will be with you someday. Keep us focused on the big picture through all of the regular days of our lives. May we overflow with thankfulness in every situation. Help us to reframe and reset our mind and heart on what you are doing. Keep us growing closer to you through it all. In the name of Christ, we pray, Amen.

GOING DEEPER: Read Colossians 2:1-3:4. What experiences does the believer share with Christ (v.9-13)? What implications are drawn from this (v.13, 16-7, 20-23)? What convinced you that trying to live up to religious rules couldn’t change you on the inside? In what area are you still susceptible to getting caught up in rule keeping?