

HAPPENING THIS WEEK

SUNDAY • OCTOBER 26

8:15am Worship Service
 8:15am Nursery
 9:15am Bible Study - Meeting Room
 9:30am Worship Service & Livestream
 9:30am Engage High School - High School Room
 9:30am Radiate Middle School - Gym
 9:30am Nursery / Kids Club - Kids Wing
 11:00am Worship Service
 11:00am Nursery / Kids Club - Kids Wing
 11:00am THE CHOSEN Bible Study - Meeting Room
 5:00-7:00pm **Fall Festival**
 6:30pm Engage High School Group - (Fall Festival)

MONDAY • OCTOBER 27

6:30pm Finance Meeting - Multipurpose Room - Door 3*

TUESDAY • OCTOBER 28

10:00am-2:00pm Food Pantry Open
 5:30pm-7:00pm Food Pantry Open
 6:00pm Radiate Middle School - Gym - Door 6*

WEDNESDAY • OCTOBER 29

10:00am-11:45am Senior Bible Study - Meeting Room - Door 4*
 7:00pm Worship Team Practice

THURSDAY • OCTOBER 30

FRIDAY • OCTOBER 31 - Office Closed

SATURDAY • NOVEMBER 1

SUNDAY • NOVEMBER 2

Thanksgiving Baskets - Collection Begins

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 6:30-8:00pm Engage High School 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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LIVING LIFE BACKWARD



How would life look different if you chose to live with the end in mind? The biblical book of Ecclesiastes has a lot to say about living life backward...and maybe starting at the end will help us reconsider what it means to "live well" moving forward.

MESSAGE: COMMUNITY IS BETTER

October 26, 2025

Text: Ecclesiastes 4:1-16; 5:10-15

Pew Bible: 552-553

Welcome to Redeemer!

CHECK IN

Whether you're online, new, or here all the time, 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: Daylight Saving time change begins next Sunday, November 2.

FALL FESTIVAL

OCTOBER 26 5-7 PM

FALL FESTIVAL

- **TODAY**, October 26 | 5-7 pm
- Enjoy hayrides*, inflatables, photo booth, games for all ages, and lots of food & treats
- *Hayrides are weather-dependent. Inflatables will be set up in the gym.
- No cost to attend; Invite your friends
- Learn more online under [EVENTS](#)

The Schavey Road entrance will be closed for the hayride route. Please enter the building through Door 3 (Kids Wing - look for the pumpkins) so you can eat dinner first, then work your way through the building to enjoy the rest of the festivities!



THANKSGIVING BASKETS - COLLECTION THANKSGIVING BASKETS - PACKING

Collecting:

- October 26 - November 16

Details:

- Providing 70 baskets to local families
- Non-perishable item list online
- [Monetary donations](#) also needed for perishable items
- Learn more, view the item list, and donate online under [EVENTS](#)

Packing:

- Sunday, November 23 | After 11 am Service

Donations can be dropped off through Sunday, November 16. The Redeemer Student Ministry group will count and inventory, then we'll shop for any needed items before Packing Day.

The church is open Monday - Thursday, between 8:30 - 4:30. Enter through Door #4.



MEMBERSHIP CLASS | [SIGN UP](#)

- Sundays, Nov. 9 & 16 | 12:15 - 1:30 pm
- Want to become a member? Join our 2-session class to learn more about our church, vision, and core values.
- Everyone is welcome; no obligation to join.
- Light lunch provided
- No cost to attend
- Learn more & RSVP online under [EVENTS](#)



MEIJER SIMPLY GIVE | [NO SIGN UP](#)

- Campaign: Now - December 27
- Double Match Day: December 13
- Goal: raise \$5,000 so that Meijer can Double Match it for an extra \$10,000 in food-only gift cards for the Food Pantry
- Contributions to our goal can be made as a donation online to the Food Pantry under [GIVE](#) or dropped in an Offering Box on Sunday mornings.
- Learn more online under [EVENTS](#)



GL FOOD BANK | [SIGN UP](#)

Work on projects at GLFB Warehouse in Bath:
October 30 | November 13 | Both at 9 am

WOMEN'S SHELTER | [SIGN UP](#)

Serve dinner at the Women's Shelter in Lansing:
November 14 | December 12

ADVENT HOUSE | [SIGN UP](#)

A big thank you to Dave & Amy Fowler's family for buying, preparing, and delivering the October Advent House lunches. These meals truly make a meaningful difference for those experiencing homelessness. If you have a group interested in providing one of the lunches in 2026, please reach out to Suzie Unruh.

#BETHECHURCH EVENT CALENDAR

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

Oct 26 - Thanksgiving Basket collection begins

Oct 30 - GL Food Bank - sort donations

Nov 6 - Ronald McDonald - deliver dinner

Nov 9 - #BTC Outreach - Private Small Group Event

Nov 12 - Helping Hands Group

Nov 14 - Women's Shelter - serve dinner

Nov 16 - Thanksgiving Basket collection ends



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 | **LIVE FOR WE, NOT ME**

“Better to have one handful with quietness than two handfuls with hard work and chasing the wind... Two people are better off than one, for they can help each other succeed. If one person falls, the other can reach out and help. But someone who falls alone is in real trouble. Likewise, two people lying close together can keep each other warm. But how can one be warm alone? A person standing alone can be attacked and defeated, but two can stand back-to-back and conquer. Three are even better, for a triple-braided cord is not easily broken.”
Ecclesiastes 4:6,9-12

MY NOTES:

GETTING STARTED

What job have you tackled by yourself that you should have asked someone to help you do?

REFLECTION/DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Do you think it's true that we spend most of our time thinking about ourselves? Why or why not?
2. What is the meaning of each of the proverbs in vs.5-6? What do they imply is the Teacher's view of labor and competition?
3. Do you presently feel like you have “one handful” or “two”? Why?
4. What are the benefits of two people in vs. 9-12? How is the image in 12b a fitting conclusion?
5. How easy is it for you to allow someone to help you? Or, to let someone know that you need help?
6. Where would you be spiritually were it not for the help of others? What does it mean to you to “Live for we, not me?”
7. What are the prayer requests on your mind and heart today?

PRAYER: Lord God, thank you for the people around us including family, friends, neighbors, and co-workers. We want to be connected with others and be a part of something bigger than ourselves. Help us not to be too busy or distracted to think of others. May we find our strength in the cord of three strands, focusing on You. In the name of Christ, we pray, Amen.

GOING DEEPER: Read Ecclesiastes 4:1-16. When in life were you most in need of a friend? Did one come? For whom (yourself, God, others) do you toil in the different areas of life (work, home, school, church)? How much satisfaction do you derive from your toil and your companions? What does “a cord of three strands” symbolize to you?