

Following Jesus:

Fasting

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Upcoming Events!

Bible Study with Rich Mitchell has begun studying the book of Isaiah! This class will meet on Thursday mornings from 10:30-11:30AM.

March 1: Alpha will continue on Wednesdays at 6:30PM. It is a conversation built around wrestling with the deep questions of life. Feel free to invite others to join us on this 11-week journey!

March 1: Blood Drive will be happening in the Foyer from 2-7pm. Please consider signing up! Scan the QR code to schedule your appointment!



March 1: Engage will be Wednesday, 3/1 from 5:30-7. The cost is \$3/person or \$10/family. Come on out! Let the kids burn off energy, an activity for kids and have a meal made for you and your family!

March 5: Membership Class - This class is designed to explore what our church holds to be true in terms of theology, doctrine and what it means to be a part of the Church of the Nazarene. Please sign up with Pastor Aaron (aaron@connectionpointmi.com) or in the Welcome Center. Childcare provided upon advanced request.

March 19: Next Steps Class - This class is designed to help you take your next step spiritually and will meet right after church. Please sign up with Pastor Aaron (aaron@connectionpointmi.com) or in the Welcome Center. Childcare will be provided upon advanced request.

April 22: Ladies Day Out at Olivet Nazarene University from 9am-3pm. Tickets are \$45 with lunch or \$30 without lunch. Please register and pay the office by March 24th. Carpooling will be available!

Things You Should Know!

Connect Cards can be found in the seat-back pocket in front of you! Please fill it out, take it to the Welcome Center in the Foyer and grab a gift! We want guests to feel welcome and we hope to see you again!

Prayer Requests can be submitted via the website under the Ministries tab. These prayer requests go directly to Pastor Aaron and are confidential.

Text to Give is available. Please text GIVE to 231-386-0644 and then follow the instructions given! You can also give online by visiting connectionpointmi.com and click the DONATE tab for a secure transaction. Thanks for supporting our ministries here at Connection Point.

The Bridge the Gap Fund sign is across from the Café. If you are interested in giving above your tithes/offerings there is a giving kiosk at the FOR store. Please email the church office for more information.

New Church Directory App is available now! If you need help accessing it please contact the church office and we can work on getting you set up!

Further Reflection for 2/26

1. Have you ever fasted? If so, how did it go?
2. Have you ever had a spiritual "high" that not long after you were tempted in a significant way?
3. Read Matthew 4:1-11
4. What jumps out to you from the text?
5. What are the three temptations that Jesus faced?
6. Which of the temptations do you find most relatable to you?
7. How did Jesus overcome the temptations? What is the lesson for you from that?
8. Read Matthew 6:16-18
9. What jumps out to you from the text?
10. What is the implication for you from verse 17?
11. Choose (a meal or two, or three; a day or two and begin) to fast. When your stomach growls, pray that you will long for God in greater ways than your body longs for food.
12. Further Reading: Fasting by Scot McKnight; Celebration of the Disciplines by Richard Foster

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Weekly Gatherings:

Sunday Service: 9AM & 10:30AM
Kids Service: Sundays during both Services
Youth Group: Sundays from 6-7:30PM