



# Journey of God's People ~Joseph~

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## Upcoming Events!

**Food Pantry Donations** are being accepted on Sundays or during office hours. We are in need of canned or packaged goods

**Gift Bag Donations** - We are collecting items to put into gift bags for shut-ins from our church, things like lip balm, travel lotions, snacks, etc. These items can be brought to the church during office hours. The bags will be assembled this Wednesday.

**September 17: Pictures From An Exodus Journey** - Tonight at 6:30PM, Pastor Aaron will be sharing pictures from his trip to Egypt, Israel & Jordan.

**September 18: Women's Bible Study** is meeting on Mondays, starting thru October 16, from 6:00-7:30pm in the Youth Room. Contact Sarah Klassen about purchasing the book that will be used for this study.

**September 19: MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers)** - We will meet on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month from 9:30-11:00am at the church.

**September 22: Apple Picking:** It's that time of year again! Connection Point Students and Connection Point Kids are going apple picking! This can function as a fundraiser where students will sell 5lb bags of apples for \$10. The proceeds will go to their student accounts which can be used for things like Lock-In, Winter Retreat, camp, and more. Or, if they don't want to use it as a fundraiser, they can go help pick for the fun of it! We'll be meeting at Grange Fruit Farms at 4pm (1900 13 Mile Rd NE, Rockford, MI 49341). Talk to Pastor Matt or Pastor Holly for more details and make sure to pick up a sales form in the Welcome Center!

**September 23: Annual Richard "Dick" Fry Golf Memorial** at Chase Hammond Golf Course. \$60/person or \$240/team. Proceeds benefit the NCRC! Sign up via Aaron Gregory or Sarah Klassen by Sept. 14th.

**September 24: Men's Bible Study** will meet on Sundays, starting September 24 - October 15 at 6:30PM at church. Purchase the book 'Intentional Father' by Jon Tyson beforehand.

**October 1: Small Groups** - You can sign up now in the Welcome Center! This session will run through the week of Thanksgiving.

**October 1: 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.

**October 7: All Church Work Day** - Mark your calendars! More details to follow.

**October 15: 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.

**Kids' Clothing Closet** will be opened from 10am-1pm on the SECOND Saturday of each month. Donations are always accepted on Sunday mornings.

## Further Reflection for 9/17

1. What is a moment in life in which you found yourself relying on someone else? How did it make you feel?
2. Read Genesis 39:8-23
3. What jumps out to you from the text?
4. Read Genesis 41:1-13; 16
5. What jumps out to you from the text?
6. Read Genesis 45:1-11 and 47:13-23 (compare and contrast the work of Joseph and his heart)
7. What jumps out to you from the text?
8. What is an area of your life you can look back and see God has redeemed or restored? What is an area of your life that you may have been or are currently stuck in a system that may not be God's desire for the world.

Further Reading: Sabbath as Resistance: Walter Brueggemann

**Why did the bat miss the school bus?**

Because he hung around for too long.



## 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.

**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!

## **Weekly Gatherings:**

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