

# ***KNOCKING DOWN WALLS***



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## Upcoming Events!

**February 4: Men's Group - The Last Supper On The Moon**  
has begun meeting on Sunday evenings at 8PM in the classroom off the gym from 1/14-2/18 (not meeting on 2/11).

**February 5: Parenting in a Tech World Life Group** - Pastor Holly and Pastor Matt are hosting a life group for parents surrounding the topic of parenting in an ever-evolving tech world. On Mondays from 6-7:30PM. There will be snacks, video curriculum, and small group time to debrief. Please sign-up in the welcome center or by talking to Holly or Matt.

**February 6: MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers)** - We will meet on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month from 9:30-11:00am at the church.

**February 6: ALPHA** begins on Tuesdays 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!

**February 7: Women's Bible Study** has begun meeting on Wednesday evenings at 6PM in the classroom off the gym. This will be an 8 week study.

**February 11: Chili Cook-Off** - After our 10:30am service, the Youth Group is hosting their annual Chili Cook-Off in the gym to help raise funds for our students. It's \$5 for an adult, \$3 for a child (up to 12), and \$20 for the family! We also need your help! If you would like to help us make chili, you can sign up in the Welcome Center or on our website. Make sure to mark your calendar!

**February 13: Engage** will be Tuesday 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!

**February 14: Ash Wednesday Service** - This service will be at 6:30PM in the sanctuary.

**February 18: 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. This will follow the 10:30AM service. Lunch will be provided. Please sign up with Pastor Aaron (aaron@connectionpointmi.com) or in the Welcome Center. Childcare provided upon advanced request.

**Clothing & Food Pantry Donations** are being accepted on Sundays or during office hours. We are in need of canned or packaged goods for the pantry and kids clothes of all sizes. The Kids Clothing Closet will be postponed until March due to low inventory.

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## Further Reflection for 2/4

1. When was a moment that you felt like you were an outsider? When was a moment that someone did something to welcome you in?
2. Read John 2:13-25
3. What jumps out to you from the text?
4. What are the first things that you think of when you read Jesus drove them out of the temple? Why is understanding the context so important?
5. John makes a point to help us see that Jesus is saying that his own body is the temple. Why does that matter to you?
6. John often looks back and adds some commentary to help the readers understand what was going on. How is this helpful for you and where have you noticed John doing it?
7. How does Jesus removing barriers that keep people from God impact your life?
8. How might you work to remove barriers in the lives of others?

Further Reading: Unconditional: Brian Zahnd; Love Does: Bob Goff

## 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.

**The Bridge the Gap Fund** sign is across from the Café. If you are interested in giving above your tithes/offerings, you may do so by putting donations in the box at the back of the sanctuary or by giving online. 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