



# TRUE IDENTITY

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## Upcoming Events!

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

**January 16: MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers)** - We will meet on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month from 9:30-11:00am at the church.

**January 17: Women's Bible Study** will begin meeting on Wednesday evenings at 6PM in the classroom off the gym. This will be a 6 week study.

**January 21: Lunch With Leaders** - If you are new to our church or have never attended this lunch, you are invited! Please RSVP through office@connectionpointmi.com, sign up in the Welcome Center, or see one of the church staff.

**January 29: Parenting in a Tech World Life Group** - Starting on January 29th, Pastor Holly and Pastor Matt will be hosting a life group for parents surrounding the topic of parenting in an ever-evolving tech world. There will be snacks and appetizers, video curriculum, and small group time to debrief. Please sign-up in the welcome center or by talking to Holly or Matt.

**February 4: 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.

**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 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!

**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 1/14

1. Have you ever felt like you didn't know who you were? Have you ever had a moment of clarity and you knew exactly who you were?
2. Read John 1:19-34
3. What jumps out to you from the text?
4. Knowing who we are not brings us one step closer to knowing who we are. What is an area of your life that you have had to recognize that you are NOT something?
5. "Who are you?" is the question that John the Baptist is asked. How would you answer that question?
6. John the Baptist says he is unworthy to untie the sandals of the one to come after him. What is he trying to say through that?
7. Summarize verses 29-31 in your own words. What about these verses strikes you as important and why?
8. John the Baptist seems to be comfortable in his role. What area of ministry do you feel most comfortable in? Where might God be wanting to stretch you to be a greater "witness"?

Further Reading: The Allure of Gentleness: Dallas Willard;  
Nudge: Leonard Sweet

## 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