

Revelation

ALL
THINGS
NEW

Contact us: Office Phone: 231-773-2812 office@connectionpointmi.com

Office hours: Monday - Thursday: 9am-3pm

Lead Pastor Aaron Gregory: aaron@connectionpointmi.com

Children's Pastor Holly Hazekamp: holly@connectionpointmi.com

Youth Pastor Matthew Spear: matthew@connectionpointmi.com

Director of NCRC Sarah Klassen: sarahk@connectionpointmi.com

Upcoming Events!

Sunday Mornings - Conversation on Revelation from 9:15-10:15am in the conference room by the church office. All who would like to join pastor to talk about the previous weeks' sermon text are invited to do so.

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

Finish Well - Senior Ministries Group is looking for donations of ready-to-eat side dishes for the Thanksgiving meal that will be held on Nov. 21st. If you are interested in providing a prepared dessert or side dish, please contact the church office or sign up in the Welcome Center.

December 3rd: Connection Point is hosting Parent's Day Out babysitting opportunity from 2-5pm! During that time, we will have snacks & activities to entertain your children while you have some time to get things ready for the Holidays, share a meal with someone, or just get some time to yourself. *The suggested donation is \$20 per family, and the proceeds will go towards helping our teens go to Nazarene Youth Conference next July.*



December 14th: Women's Group will meet from 6:30-8pm for a cookie exchange! Bring 3 dozen of the same cookie. You'll get to taste test up to 12 kinds and then bring home 2 dozen of your favorites mix and matched to your liking! There will be games and Christmas activities during this time as well! Contact Sarah for more info.

Youth Fundraiser - The youth group is doing a fundraiser selling 2023 Lakeshore & Surrounding areas SaveAround Coupon Book for \$25! This is to help youth pay for NYC in Tampa next year. Contact Pastor Matt to get your book!

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!

Weekly Gatherings:

Sunday Service: 10:30am

Kids Service: Sundays during 10:30am Service

Youth Group: Sundays from 6-8pm

Further Reflection for 11/20

Reflection:

1. When is a time you missed a part of a book/movie/tv show and because you missed that part the whole thing either didn't make sense, or it changed the meaning of the book/movie/tv show?
2. What is a moment in life in which you experienced a radical transformation of someone/something? What did it make you feel?

Study:

1. Read Revelation 21-22 (at a minimum read 21:1-5, 22-25; 22:1-5, 12-17)
 - a. What jumps out to you from the text?
 - b. Are there any images/illustrations that John writes that reminded you of other biblical texts? If so, which ones?
 - c. 21:1-5 John shares a picture of a moment in which heaven and earth become one, God is present with all humanity, and what that brings about. How might this passage impact your present life?
 - d. 21:22-25 speaks of nations and it likely includes what we think of in regards to nations, but it speaks even more so to the reality that all cultures and people groups will be gathered together. How might that impact the way we try to live?
 - e. 22:1-5 speaks of the restoration of Eden. How might that idea be valuable for you today?
 - f. Read 22:12-17 aloud and answer the following question. How might we receive God's life for us, here and now, not just in the future?

Application:

1. How might you take one step to live as God's New Creation, here and now?

Prayer:

Father, help me to recognize that you are making all things new. May I honestly, humbly allow you to make me new. In Jesus' name I Pray. Amen.

Spiritual Practice:

- Begin each day this week thinking on where you find life.
- End each day this week reflecting on where you find life.

Further Learning Opportunity:

- Reversed Thunder: Eugene Peterson
- The Great Divorce: CS Lewis
- Revelation and the End Times: Ben Witherington III