

THE JOURNEY

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WELCOME Thanks for including The Journey in your weekend plans. Grab a cup of coffee, check your kids into our awesome kids' rooms and participate at your own level. We hope you have a great experience.

RELATIONSHIPS, NOT RELIGION:

You can get a religious experience anywhere, but we focus on relationships. The Journey is about people just like you reaching out and connecting with Jesus so we can experience our best life. We desire to be a safe place for people to explore and experience Jesus no matter where they are in their spiritual journey. Make sure you check out the resources at the Next Steps Center & online to take your first or next steps.

THIS MONTH: LOVE STILL CAN

Last November & December we participated in a series called "Love Can" where we learned that Love Can change everything. As part of that series, we participated in Random Acts of Kindness all over the lakeshore. This July we're discovering that Love STILL Can change everything as we activate God's love from thought to action and spread love in our community.



LOVE CAN SUMMER PROJECT: RANDOM ACTS OF KINDNESS

All this month we are activating God's love in our life because Love Still Can change everything. There is a Love Still Can summer project list & Love Can cards available at the Next Step Center. There you can find all the details and a list of random acts of kindness ideas. Keep the cards in your car, wallet or purse and be ready for random opportunities. Also, set aside some time to intentionally do some of these projects with your friends or family, in your neighborhood or in our community. Let's move love from thoughts to action and make an impact this summer.

BAPTISM

BAPTISM is a sign of being in a relationship with Jesus. It's a next step that symbolically shows an outward expression of an inner change. We had a number of people take the step of baptism on July 5 at the beach. You will hear their stories this month.

BAPTISM AT THE BEACH: August 23

On Sunday night, August 23, we will have another opportunity to get baptized at the beach this summer.

BAPTISM MEETINGS: If you are interested in getting baptized, plan to attend one of the baptism meetings to get more information or to sign up. There will a 10 minute meeting after each service on July 26 and August 2.



CONNECT CARD

You will find this card in the seat backs and you can use it to sign up for coming events, communicate any prayer requests, or ask questions. Check the appropriate area on the card & drop it in the boxes by the auditorium doors.

If this is your first time at The Journey, please by-pass the boxes & take your connect card to the Next Steps Center for a free gift.

GIVING

Thanks for giving to the mission. Your giving makes The Journey possible... things like Journey Kids, our buildings, impacting the community, Sunday experiences and the resources that help you take next steps. You can give in the boxes by the doors or at the kiosk today. There are more options & details for recurring giving online.

COMING IN AUGUST

Summer Blockbuster Series

Network Kickball Tournament, August 9



SUMMER FOCUS

This year we are focusing in on 3 of our Core Essentials to keep taking steps as individuals and as a church:

MAKE JESUS THE CENTER

Each one of us to grow more consistent with Jesus in all areas of our life.

INVEST AND INVITE

Each one of us to invest in one and bring one.

DO LIFE TOGETHER

Each one of us to take a next step in the process:

SUNDAYS NETWORKS

RUNNING PARTNERS

ACTION STEPS FOR THIS SUMMER:

MAKE JESUS THE CENTER: Keep connecting with Jesus by reading about Him in the Bible. Find a reading plan for the book of John at the Next Steps Center.

INVEST & INVITE: Help others see God by participating in the Love Can Projects or look to invite someone to the Summer Blockbuster series.

DO LIFE TOGETHER: Look through the summer section of your Journey Sheet for ways to stay connected & build relationships this summer.

PRAYER CIRCLES

Jesus, I want my life to be more about you and less about me.
(John 3:30)

Jesus, we want our church & our lives to be like a light and reflection of you.
(John 3:16-21)

Jesus, may we live your vision together so you can do more in & through us.
(John 17:122-23)

SUMMER

If you are going to miss some Sundays this summer, here are a few ways to stay connected:

- 1 Watch the service online: live on Sundays or later on the Series page.
- 2 Join us on Facebook and use a connect card to sign up for weekly emails with the latest details.
- 3 Give online or set up auto-giving on the Donate page to continue to support the mission of our church.
- 4 Check out the FEED each week - our news feed blog on our website.
- 5 Come out to your Network Ice Cream Night on July 19.

JOURNEY KIDS

Don't add more stuff to your day; be intentional about the time you already have with your kids. Go check out some Journey Kids parent resources near the kids check-in desk with ideas on how to make the most of the time you spend in the car, at bed time, eating meals, or hanging out in the yard. Everything is simple, but sure to make a big impact. Use these resources to partner with Journey Kids this summer and see the difference it makes in your family.



Network Teams are a great way to take next steps and learn about God, impact the community, and get to know others from The Journey. Each Team always has fun together and there are some opportunities coming up for you to get involved. Just choose a Network in a region that's close to where you live.

NETWORK ICE CREAM HANGOUTS

Sunday Night July 19 at 7:00PM



Temptations
(Harbor Drive, Grand Haven)



Whippi Dip
(Pontaluna & Grand Haven rd)



Hometown Creamery
(Corner of Giles & M120)



Norm's Ice Cream
(Downtown Fruitport on 3rd st)



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- Network Kickball Tournament, August 9
- School Supply Drive

Request more info on a Connect Card or go to the Next Steps Center in the lobby.

Visit thejourneycc.com/networks to connect on Facebook or through your Network email.