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SERMON NOTES

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February 24, 2019

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Welcome

Michael Weller

*\*All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!*

*\*1000 Tongues*

*\*Great Are You, Lord*

Offering

*\*Open Up*

Scripture

Ruth 2: 1-12

Josephine Koch

Message

The Power of God to Help

Pastor Rob Peterson

Prayer

*\*Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

Hymn #78

*\*Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty*

Benediction

*\*Congregational song*

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The Prayer Team will be under the cross following the service if you would like to pray.

If you are our guest this morning, stop by the Welcome Center and pick up a gift we have for you.

**Worship Resources** | To help you worship throughout the week, we've prepared Worship Resources available online ([thornapple.org/media](http://thornapple.org/media)) and at the Welcome Center.

**Children's worship resources** are available at the back of the Sanctuary by the sound booth.

**Annual Meeting** | TODAY at Noon in the Sanctuary, all members should plan to attend or designate a proxy; non-members are welcome, too. A light snack will be available in The Commons. Childcare will be provided for children through 6th grade in the Lower Level.

Connection Card form with fields for Name, Email, Phone, Street Address, City, State, Zip, and checkboxes for First time, Second time, Visiting with friend/family, College student, Regular attendee, Member, and Update my info.

We're asking EVERYONE to fill out a Connection Card during worship. These cards will give us your contact info and help identify your "next step" or share a prayer request. Cards can be placed in the offering plate or left at the Welcome Center. During the week, staff will follow up with people as needed.



# CALENDAR

## Sunday 2/24

9:00am • Worship/Nursery/Children's  
Worship/Men's Bible Study  
10:30am • Worship/Nursery/Children's  
Worship/Crew 52/Huddles/Sermon  
Reflection  
Noon • Annual Meeting

## Monday 2/25

6:30am • Monday Mornings for Men  
9:30am • College & Career Moms in Prayer  
6:00pm • Young Adults Small Group (offsite)  
7:00pm • Men's Bible Study  
7:00pm • Support Group for Caregivers of  
Aging Adults

## Tuesday 2/26

7:00pm • ENGAGE (offsite)

## Wednesday 2/27

9:30am • Women's Bible Studies  
6:30pm • Prayer Gathering  
7:00pm • Financial Peace University (offsite)

## Thursday 2/28

9:30am • Moms on a Mission  
7:00pm • Worship Team Rehearsal

## Friday 3/1

6:30am • Men's Bible Study  
9:30am • WholyFit  
10:00am • Prime Timers' Soup & Study  
10:00pm • MS One Epic Night (offsite)

## Saturday 3/2

5:00am • MS One Epic Night pick up (offsite)  
8:30am • Men's Bible Study  
6:30pm • Marriage Matters

## Sunday 3/3

9:00am • Worship/Nursery/Children's  
Worship/Men's Bible Study  
10:30am • Worship/Nursery/Children's  
Worship/Sermon Reflection  
7:00pm • TSM Oscars

**Weather Updates** | Periodically we may need to cancel events or worship services at Thornapple because of inclement weather. Cancellations are posted online at: [thornapple.org/weather](http://thornapple.org/weather) and listed with WOOD TV and WZZM TV 13.

## EVENT INFORMATION

- **Men's Small Group Studies** | A new study, "Soul Keeping" (John Ortberg) begins in March. There are four meeting options each week: Sundays at 9:00am, Mondays at 7:00pm, Fridays at 6:30am and Saturdays at 8:30am. Please join us as we meet in community with one another, growing together in faith and friendship. Sign up at [thornapple.org/smallgroupmens](http://thornapple.org/smallgroupmens) or email Jim Knight ([knight.james44@gmail.com](mailto:knight.james44@gmail.com)).
- **Prime Timers' Soup & Study** | Anyone 60 and older is invited to join us Friday, Mar. 1 at 10:00am. Come enjoy speaker Rob Peterson a meal and fellowship.
- **Marriage Matters: Loving Well through All Life's Seasons** | Join us Saturday, Mar. 2, 6:30-9pm, for an evening just for couples (open to anyone). Counselors Peter and Marty Everts, will be leading us through exploring how to love our spouses well through each season of marriage and life. Learn more and register: [thornapple.org/marriagematters](http://thornapple.org/marriagematters).
- **Spiritual Disciplines Retreat with Sharon Brown** | All are welcome to a six-session retreat exploring spiritual disciplines during Lent, Tuesdays (Mar. 12-Apr. 16), 9:30-11:30am at Thornapple Community Church (corner of Thornapple River Dr. and Thornhills). Cost is \$75/person. Register at [sensibleshoesclub.com](http://sensibleshoesclub.com) using the contact page. Contact Shalini Bennett with questions ([shalinibennett@gmail.com](mailto:shalinibennett@gmail.com) or 616.516.9892).
- **MOPS Consignment Sale** | Thursday, Mar. 14 (6:00-8:00pm for \$5 entry), Friday, Mar. 15 (9am-1pm; free entry) and Saturday, Mar. 16 (9:00am-Noon; free entry and most items half off). Learn more, sign up to sell: [thornapple.com/mopsconsignmentsale.com](http://thornapple.com/mopsconsignmentsale.com).
- **Women's Breathe Retreat at Portage Lake** | Mar. 15-17 at PLCBC. An opportunity to step out of the daily routine with speakers, yoga, jewelry making and more. Learn more and register: [portagelake.org/breathe](http://portagelake.org/breathe).
- **Choir** | Singers of all ages are invited to join us in singing during both services on Apr. 14 (Palm Sunday). Rehearsals are Wednesday evenings, Mar. 20/27 and Apr. 10, 6:30-8:00pm. There will be an additional opportunity to sing in the choir in May. For more information, or to RSVP for rehearsal, contact Michael Weller ([mweller@thornapple.org](mailto:mweller@thornapple.org)).
- **Men's Breakfast** | Sat., Mar. 23 at 8:00am with speaker Cory Hendrickson. Childcare available; learn more and register: [thornapple.org/mensbreakfast](http://thornapple.org/mensbreakfast).
- **New to the Covenant denomination and/or to Thornapple?** We offer a three-part series (May 1, 8, 15; 6:30-8:00pm) called "What is a Covenant Church?" This is a great way to learn about the denomination and church membership (it is also a membership prerequisite). Following the series, we will have a membership class on Sunday, May 19 from 4:00-6:00pm. For more details and to sign up: [thornapple.org/covenantchurchclass](http://thornapple.org/covenantchurchclass).

# NEWS

- ♦ **Glenn Van Noord (GVN) Short-Term Urban Missions Program 2019** | College students AND HS juniors and seniors can apply for GVN which gives students the opportunity to work in urban Grand Rapids this summer. Applications will be accepted starting Mar. 1 until the program is full. Learn more/apply: [thornapple.org/glennvan Noord](http://thornapple.org/glennvan Noord).
- ♦ **Worship Arts Volunteers Needed** | Worship Arts is looking for volunteers who are willing to read Scripture during our services on Sunday mornings. We are also in need of tech/AV help for Sunday mornings (training provided) If you are interested in learning more or volunteering, please contact Michael Weller ([mweller@thornapple.org](mailto:mweller@thornapple.org)).
- ♦ **Women's Retreat Planning Team** | Thornapple is the host church for the fall 2019 women's retreat at Portage Lake on Oct. 4-6. Women's Ministry needs a team to help with planning hospitality, activities and promotions. If you are interested, please contact Sarah DeBaets ([sdebaets@gmail.com](mailto:sdebaets@gmail.com)) and/or Diane Kunkler ([momofspartans@yahoo.com](mailto:momofspartans@yahoo.com)).
- ♦ **There are many ways** you can help serve our middle schoolers and our community at One Epic Night on Mar. 1-2 at the Mary Free Bed YMCA:
  - **Pray** | For students that will be coming and the adults who will love on these kids.
  - **Donate money** | We are covering the cost of pizza, ice cream, snacks and pancakes
  - **Serve** | Help with registration: 9:30-10:30pm. Hang out/connect with kids, play basketball, help with photo booth or face painting, play board games, help with serving pizza or ice cream, etc: All night 10pm-5am, part of the night (10pm-1/2am, 1-3am, 2-5 am).Contact Cory ([chendrickson@thornapple.org](mailto:chendrickson@thornapple.org)) or Linda ([lwiner@thornapple.org](mailto:lwiner@thornapple.org)) to sign up!

# MINISTRY INFORMATION

If you have questions or to learn more about these and other ministries, visit the links listed next to each ministry name or visit our website at [thornapple.org](http://thornapple.org).

## CHILDREN | [thornapple.org/children](http://thornapple.org/children)

- **Nursery** | Birth-3yrs, lower level
- **4s-1<sup>st</sup> grade** | Children's Worship, both services
- **2<sup>nd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade** | 10:30am only [Not 1<sup>st</sup> Sundays]
- **Trailblazers (3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup>)** | 1<sup>st</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> Wed., 6:30-8pm
- **Summer dates to save** | *Lego Camp* (Fall 1<sup>st</sup>-6<sup>th</sup>) June 17-20 (am or pm sessions). *VBS* (Fall K-5<sup>th</sup>) Aug. 5-9, 9am-Noon. *Registration for both opens Apr. 30.*

## STUDENTS | [thornapple.org/students](http://thornapple.org/students)

- **MS/HS Huddles** | At 10:30am [Not 1<sup>st</sup> Sundays]
- **MS JAM** | 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wed., 6:30-8pm.
- **HS Refuel** | 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wed., 7-8:30pm
- **HS TSM Oscars** | Sunday, Mar. 3, 7pm
- **HS Small Group Sunday** | Third Sundays
- **MS One Epic Night** | Mar. 1-2 at Mary Free Bed YMCA  
Learn more and register: [thornapple.org/epic](http://thornapple.org/epic)

## YOUNG ADULTS | [thornapple.org/adults](http://thornapple.org/adults)

- **Small Group** | Mondays, Feb. 25, 7:30-9pm at 6578 Brookhills Ct. SE, Grand Rapids. Contact Shalini Bennett ([shalinibennett@gmail.com](mailto:shalinibennett@gmail.com)) with questions.

## HORIZONS | [thornapple.org/adults](http://thornapple.org/adults)

- **Future events TBA**

## PRIME TIMERS (60+) | [thornapple.org/adults](http://thornapple.org/adults)

- **Soup & Study** | 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Fridays of each month at 10am. Program, fellowship and lunch.

## WOMEN | [thornapple.org/adults](http://thornapple.org/adults)

- **WholyFit** | Exercise and worship (childcare provided). Classes meets Fridays, 9:30-10:30am.
- **Women's Bible Studies** | Wednesdays at 9:30am

## MEN | [thornapple.org/adults](http://thornapple.org/adults)

- **Men's Small Group Studies** | Four time/day options: Sunday at 9am, Monday at 7pm, Friday at 6:30am and Saturday at 8:30am (all at Thornapple)
- **Men's Breakfast** | Sat., Mar. 23 at 8:00am with speaker Cory Hendrickson. Register: [thornapple.org/mensbreakfast](http://thornapple.org/mensbreakfast)