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Each week one of our Elders serves as a contact person for our Sunday morning services:

TODAY

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April 8, 2018

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ELDERS

Scott Bainville – Chairman

Tom Geisler

Matt Grose

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Paul Huttner

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SOUL DETOX

Clean Living in a Contaminated World

Wednesdays
starting April 11
6:00 - 7:15 pm



Visit grefc.org/events for more
information on any event or class

PRAYER: For specific prayer requests, please use the blue Connect Card.

GIVING: Today's offering box is located in the foyer if you wish to give. Or give online at grefc.org.

BUILDING CAMPAIGN: Learn more at grefc.org/building-campaign.

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Together in Christ, Making Him Known



Sunday Services at 9:00 am and 10:30 am

WELCOME

Hello! We warmly welcome you to Grand Rapids Evangelical Free Church (GREFC)! Please stay and grab some coffee after the service, chat with others, and visit our Welcome Center.

We would love to send you a note to thank you for coming today. If you're willing, **please fill out a blue connect card** and drop it by the Welcome Center. We sincerely hope you will come back to visit us again next Sunday.

TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVICE

Worship Music
Announcements
Worship Music
Message: Pastor Ken Abramson

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMING

9:00 Service

Nursery (birth to 36 months)

Nursery is open the entire service.

Pathfinders 1.0

(Ages 3 to Grade 1)

Pathfinders are dismissed from the service after the first set of worship songs.

10:30 Service

Nursery (birth to 36 months)

Pathfinders 2.0

(Age 3 to Grade 5)

Brick Bible Instruction Class

(Grades 6 & 7)

Brick starts promptly at 10:30 am.



Our church is equipped with a hearing assistance system. If you have a need, please ask an usher for a receiver.

THIS WEEK

TODAY

Elder Retreat: 12-8 pm, Student Ministries Room

MONDAY

Women's Bible Study: 6:30-8 pm, Classroom 3

TUESDAY

Student Ministry EQUIP: 6-7:30 pm, Youth Room

Women's Ministry Meeting: 7-8:15 pm, Church Office

WEDNESDAY

New Adult Class: Soul Detox, 6-7:15 pm, Classroom 4

FRIDAY

Men's Open DNA Group: 6-7:30 am, Country Kitchen

Marriage Retreat: April 13-15, Baymont Inn & Suites, Baxter

EVERY WEEK

SUNDAYS

Infuse, 5 – 7:15 pm. Open to all Sr. High students in grades 9-12.

WEDNESDAYS

Family Meal, 5 – 6 pm.

Chili/Hot Dogs/Fruit Salad/Chips
Donation: \$2 for ages 8+, \$1 for ages 7 and under. Please sign up!

Kidz ROC: 6 – 7:15 pm. Open to kids ages 3 through grade 5.

Adult Classes: 6 – 7:15 pm, Classroom 4.

Immerse: 6 – 7:45 pm. Open to all Jr. High students in grades 6-8.

To learn more about any event or to register for a class go to grefc.org/events

WEEKLY PRAYER FOCUS

FAMILY OF THE WEEK

Joel & Laura Boyd

MISSIONS FOCUS

Mike Gibbons – France



Marriage Retreat Reminder: For those attending the marriage retreat, there is a project for you to work on as you're driving to the retreat. Pick up your letter TODAY in the church office. The first group session starts at 8:00 pm on Friday evening.

Broken: The Doorway to Worship

April 8th, 2018

1 Have mercy on me, O God, according to your unfailing love; according to your great compassion blot out my transgressions. 2 Wash away all my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin. 3 For I know my transgressions, and my sin is always before me. 4 Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight; so you are right in your verdict and justified when you judge. 5 Surely I was sinful at birth, sinful from the time my mother conceived me. 6 Yet you desired faithfulness even in the womb; you taught me wisdom in that secret place. 7 Cleanse me with hyssop, and I will be clean; wash me, and I will be whiter than snow. 8 Let me hear joy and gladness; let the bones you have crushed rejoice. 9 Hide your face from my sins and blot out all my iniquity. 10 Create in me a pure heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me. 11 Do not cast me from your presence or take your Holy Spirit from me. 12 Restore to me the joy of your salvation and grant me a willing spirit, to sustain me. 13 Then I will teach transgressors your ways, so that sinners will turn back to you. 14 Deliver me from the guilt of bloodshed, O God, you who are God my Savior, and my tongue will sing of your righteousness. 15 Open my lips, Lord, and my mouth will declare your praise. 16 You do not delight in sacrifice, or I would bring it; you do not take pleasure in burnt offerings. 17 My sacrifice, O God, is a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart you, God, will not despise. 18 May it please you to prosper Zion, to build up the walls of Jerusalem. 19 Then you will delight in the sacrifices of the righteous, in burnt offerings offered whole; then bulls will be offered on your altar.

The Key Point: Our Heavenly Father is seeking worshipers and the doorway to worship is dealing with our sin.

A key reminder: When God chooses to deal with our sin his motive is always restoration.

The Doorway to Worship:

- **Application # 1:** Sin must be realized.

How do we really know that ones' sin has been truly acknowledged and realized?

- When we know who we have first sinned against.
- It is when we see submission and brokenness, and acknowledge that the consequences of the sin are in hands of God.

- **Application #2:** We must realize the depth of sin.

- **Application # 3:** An attitude of repentance leads to freedom.

- **Application #4:** True repentance brings renewed humility which leads to obedience and worship of God.