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ELDERS

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

TODAY

Doug Hanson – 218-259-4295

Dec. 8, 2019

Ron Killian – 218-259-1698

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Ron Killian – Chairman

Gary Bordner

Tom Geisler

Matt Grose

Ed Grossman

Doug Hanson

STAY CONNECTED!

Online Events Calendar



Check out our events calendar to stay current on what's coming up in the various ministries. The calendar has many more details than what we can put in the bulletin. The events calendar can be found at <https://grefc.org/events/>

Weekly Round Up



Subscribe to our Weekly Round Up email that comes out each Friday. The Round Up is where we show you what's happening in various ministries each week, areas where you can start serving, who's up for serving on Sunday morning and a link to the latest sermon if you were out of town. *Subscribe today by checking the box on the connect card, online, or emailing the church office.*

Monthly Newsletter



The Newsletter comes to your email inbox around the first of each month. Each newsletter contains a letter from the pastor, highlights from past events, information on important church happenings, and what's coming in the next month. *Subscribe today by checking the box on the connect card, online or emailing the church office.*

<http://grefc.org/subscribe/>

We Reuse Connect Cards!

Use the large beige trash cans for trash.

Use the small blue containers to recycle Connect Cards & bulletins.



Both are located by the exit doors.

Thanks!

2 Ways to Use the Connect Card



To Connect: Let us know you were here, share your info, and let us know how we can help you.

For Prayer: Your prayer requests are sent to our Pastors and Elders each week.



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34384 County Road 63, Grand Rapids, MN 55744

4 Ways to Give



Online at
grefc.org



Text to Give
218-376-7072



Mail to 34384 CR 63



Sundays in the
Offering Box

December 1, 2019

TOGETHER

Living with PURPOSE by:

- Building a COMMUNITY that loves everyone deeply.
- Developing PERSONAL RELATIONSHIPS that lead others closer to Jesus.
- Equipping each GENERATION to follow Jesus and become disciple makers.

JOIN US! Sundays @ 9:00 am & 10:30 am

GRAND RAPIDS EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH

WELCOME

We warmly welcome you to Grand Rapids Evangelical Free Church (GREFC)! We're so glad you've joined us today. If this is your first visit, please grab an "I'm New" card located at the entrances to the building to help you understand how Sunday mornings work here.

We would love to connect with you! Please fill out a blue connect card and drop it off at the Welcome Center so we have a record of your visit and can thank you for coming and give you some next steps. We sincerely hope you will come back to visit us again next Sunday.

TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVICE

Worship Music

Announcements

Message – Pastor Steve Wick

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMING

Please check in your children BEFORE the service starts!

9:00 Service

Nursery (birth to 36 months)

10:30 Service

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Nursery is open the entire service. Check-in stations are located in the Nursery and at the KidZone Check-In Desk.

There are no Pathfinders or BRICK classes today. Regular classes will resume next week, December 8.



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

GIVING UPDATE

Last Week Actual	Weekly Budget	YTD Actual	YTD Budget
\$5,637.88	\$7,507.42	\$323,256.25	\$352,848.74

THIS WEEK

MONDAY

Men's Disciple Maker

Handbook Study: 6-7:30 pm,
Pine Room.

WEDNESDAY

Executive Board Meeting: 5-6
pm, Pine Room.

Men's & Women's Disciple
Maker Handbook Study: 6-7:15
pm, Room 103, Prayer Room,
Room 110.

SATURDAY

Worship in the Pines: 7-8:30
pm, Worship Center.

WEEKLY PRAYER FOCUS

FAMILY OF THE WEEK

Darrel & Rachel Schindler

MISSIONS FOCUS

Andy & Jen Abramson
elementum

EACH WEEK

TUESDAY

Young Adult Volleyball: 7-9 pm,
Worship Center.

WEDNESDAY

Family Meal: 5-6 pm
Chili/Hotdogs/Fruit Salad/
Chips Donation: \$2 for ages 8+,
\$1 for ages 7 and under. Please
sign up!

Kidz ROC: 6-7:15 pm, start in
the Youth Room. Open to kids
ages 3 through grade 5.

Immerse (grades 6-8) & Infuse
(grades 9-12): 6-7:45 pm,
Worship Center.

THURSDAY

Bible Study Fellowship: 6-7:30
pm, Room 106.

Worship Practice: 7-9 pm,
Worship Center.

JOB OPPORTUNITY: We are growing in Children's Ministry! We have decided to add more hours of paid help to make sure this ministry continues to run smoothly and accomplish our mission and vision. We are looking for an individual who can assist in all aspects of Children's Ministry. This position is 5 hours/week starting in December. If you are interested in this staff position, please contact the church office for a job description and application. Office@grefc.org | 218-327-9343

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