

## LEADERSHIP

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## ELDERS

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

### TODAY

Ron Killian – 218-259-1698

**Oct. 6, 2019**

Gary Bordner – 651-470-2432

### ELDERS

**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.**

## 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.

Hello.

## 4 Ways to Give



Online at [grefc.org](http://grefc.org)



Text to Give  
218-376-7072



Mail to 34384 CR 63



Sundays in the  
Offering Box

SEPTEMBER 29, 2019

# PRAYER



GRAND RAPIDS  
EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH

## SERVICES AT 9:00 & 10:30 AM



[www.grefc.org](http://www.grefc.org) | 218-327-9343 | [office@grefc.org](mailto:office@grefc.org)  
34384 County Road 63, Grand Rapids, MN 55744

# 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 Ken Abramson

## CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMING

### 9:00 Service

Nursery (birth to 36 months)

*Nursery is open the entire service.*

### Pathfinders 1.0

(Grades PreK-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

(Grade PreK–Grade 5)

### BRICK Bible Foundations Class

(Grades 6 & 7 – in the Youth Room)

*Class 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.

## GIVING UPDATE

Last Week Actual	Weekly Budget	YTD Actual	YTD Budget
\$6,010.88	\$7,507.42	\$265,403.02	\$285,281.96

## THIS WEEK

### TODAY

**New Faces Lunch:** Noon-1:00 pm, Youth Room.

### MONDAY

**Men's Disciple Maker**

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

**Essential Parenting in a Post-Christian Culture:** 6:30-8:00 pm, Youth Room.

**Women's Bible Study:** 6:30-8 pm, Room 102.

### TUESDAY

**Executive Board Mtg.:** 5-6 pm, Pine Room.

**Elder Board Mtg.:** 6-6:30 pm, Youth Room.

**Leadership Vision Mtg.:** 6:30-8:30 pm, Youth Room.

**Young Adult Volleyball:** 7-11 pm, Worship Center.

### WEDNESDAY

**Women's Disciple Maker**

**Handbook Study:** 6-7:15 pm, Room 110 (Pastor Ken's Office.)

**Men's Disciple Maker**

**Handbook Study:** 6-7:15 pm, Room 103 & Room 109 (Prayer Room.)

### SATURDAY

**Young Adult Barn Dance** 6-11:30 pm, Rachel Allen's Family Barn.

## EACH WEEK

### TUESDAY

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

### WEDNESDAY

**Family Meal:** 5-6 pm.

*French Toast/Ham/Applesauce*  
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.

**Adult Study – Unchained: Phillipians – Living a Life of Freedom:** 6-7:15 pm, Pine Room.

### THURSDAY

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

**Worship Practice:** 7-9 pm, Worship Center.

## WEEKLY PRAYER FOCUS

**FAMILY OF THE WEEK**

Chad & Penny Persons

**MISSIONS FOCUS**

Rachel Allen - France

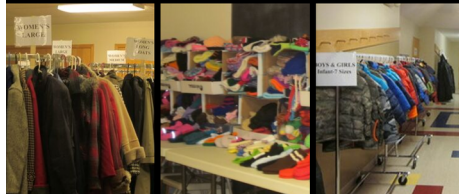
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Sept. 30  
6:30-8:30 pm  
Youth Room

Before our link expires we're offering this important seminar a second time. If you weren't able to make it last week, we **highly encourage** all parents to attend regardless of the age of your child.

# OPEN DOOR COAT RACK

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Accepting donations  
Sept. 29-Oct.27



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7-9 pm

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## DISCOVER Your Next Step



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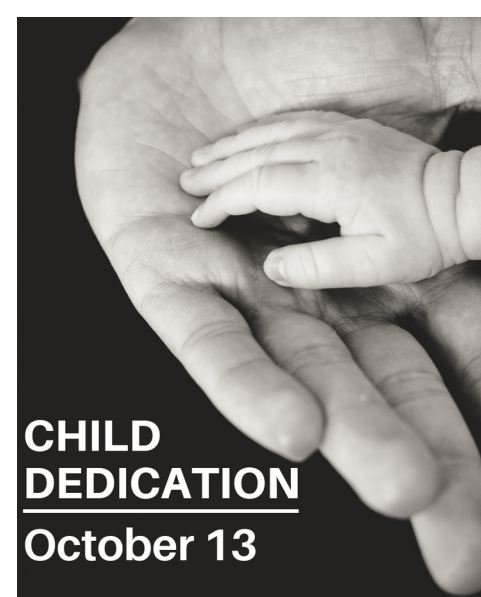


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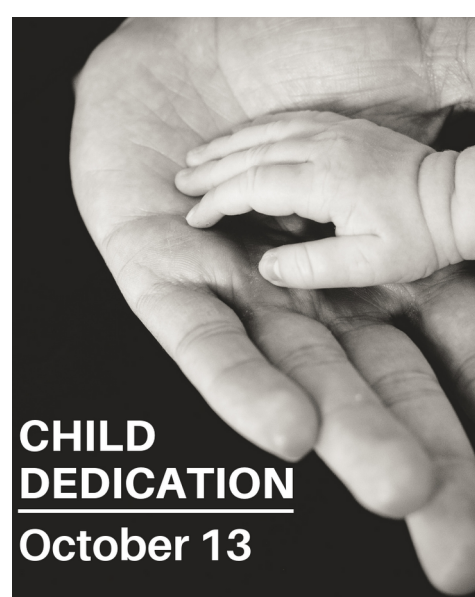


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## What About the Holy Spirit in Prayer?

September 29<sup>th</sup>, 2019

*Romans 8:14 For all who are led (by feelings) by the Spirit of God are sons of God. 15 For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons, by whom we cry, "Abba! Father!"...26 Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness. For we do not know what to pray for as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with groanings too deep for words. 27 And he who searches hearts knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God. 28 And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose.*

*John 14:26 But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, he will teach you all things and bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you. (ESV)*

*Galatians 5:16-17 But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh. For the desires of the flesh are against the Spirit, and the desires of the Spirit are against the flesh, for these are opposed to each other, to keep you from doing the things you want to do. ESV*

### **The Holy Spirit and Prayer:**

1. The Holy Spirit is there to help us even in prayer.
  
2. The Spirit goes to the throne of God (praying) for us.

### **A Profound Truth - If You Are "In Christ":**

- The Father is for you!
  
- The Son is for you!
  
- The Spirit is for you!