

# NEW HERE? 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 check out our Welcome Center and grab a few brochures to learn more about us.

We would love to connect with you! Please fill out a **blue Connect Card** and drop it off in an Offering Box so we have a record of your visit, we can thank you for coming, and give you some next steps. We sincerely hope you will come back to visit us again next Sunday. Relax and enjoy the service.

## OUR VISION

We strive to be...

Together, living with purpose, by:

- Building a community that loves everyone deeply;
- Developing personal relationships that lead others closer to Jesus and;
- Equipping each generation to follow Jesus and become disciple-makers.

## KIDZ ON SUNDAY

Please check in your kids **BEFORE** the service starts.

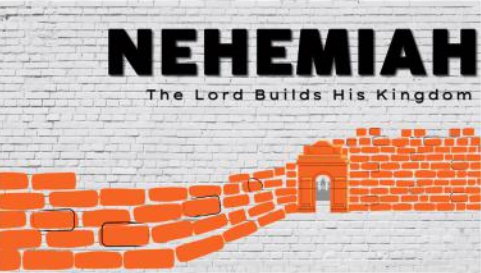
Check-in stations are located in the Foyer, the Nursery and at the KidZone Check-In Desk. You may check in all your kids at any of the stations. Kids are dismissed from the service to Pathfinders after worship music ends. Brick starts promptly at 10:30 am.

9:00 am Service	10:30 am Service
<b>Nursery</b> (0-36 months)	<b>Nursery</b> (0-36 months)
<b>Pathfinders 1.0</b> (Age 3-Grade 5)	<b>Pathfinders 2.0</b> (PreK & K)
<b>Preschool A</b> - Room 103	<b>Preschool</b> - Room 101B
<b>Preschool B</b> - Room 101B	
<b>Grades K/1</b> - Room 106	<b>BRICK Bible Foundations</b>
<b>Grade 2</b> - Room 104	<b>(Grades 6&amp;7)</b> - Youth Room
<b>Grade 3</b> - Room 102	* <i>BRICK students do not need to check in at a station.</i>
<b>Grade 4</b> - Youth Room	
<b>Grade 5</b> - Pine Room	

## ORDER OF SERVICE

- Announcements & Prayer - Elder Dan Carlson
- Worship Music
- Advent Candle Lighting
- Kids Dismissed
- Message - Lead Pastor Micah Labovitch
- Worship Music
- Benediction

# COMING SOON!



On January 8th we'll start a new sermon series, "Nehemiah: The Lord Builds His Kingdom". This series is really a continuation from the Ezra sermon series. Nehemiah is a story of what God does with a people who are aligned to His will and plan.

For more details on any event, visit [grefc.org/events/](http://grefc.org/events/)

## THIS WEEK

### TODAY

Dominican Republic Information Meeting/ 10:30 am/ Pine Room

### MONDAY

Women's Evening Bible Study - Jude// 6:30-8:30 pm/ Pine Room - LAST STUDY  
Men's Study - The Search for Significance// 6:30-8:30 pm/ Youth Room - LAST STUDY

### TUESDAY

Executive Board Meeting// 5:00 pm/ Pine Room

### WEDNESDAY

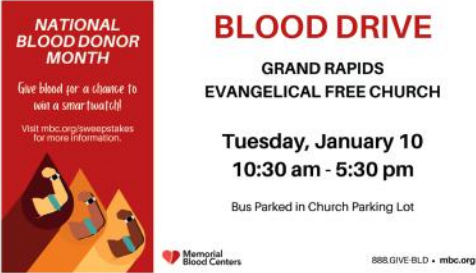
Cookies & Connection: Students in KidMin// 3:45 pm/ Youth Room  
Staff Christmas Party// 5:30 pm/ Micah & Kasia Labovitch's Home

### SATURDAY

Christmas Eve Services// 3:30 pm & 5:00 pm/ Worship Center

## EACH WEEK

**SUNDAYS:** Infuse Sr. High Youth Group: 6:00 pm/ Youth Room  
**TUESDAYS:** Young Adult Indoor Volleyball: 6:30 pm/ Worship Center



GREFC is hosting a blood drive on Tuesday, January 10 in our East parking lot from 10:30 am to 5:30 pm. Schedule your appointment online at [mbc.org/searchdrives](http://mbc.org/searchdrives) (sponsor code 5037) or contact Bonnie Kangas at 218-326-8180.

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## COMMUNITY

Pray With Us For...

**Family:** Teresa Scherf  
**Missions:** Brent & Diane Johnson - Camp Forest Springs  
**Ministry:** Bethany Grooms - Children's Ministries

## LAST WEEK @ GREFC

### Giving

Last Week Actual	Weekly Budget
\$30,071.00	\$9,592.99
YTD Actual	YTD Budget
\$426,919.51	\$460,400.52

### Attendance

9:00 am - 173    10:30 am - 73  
Online - 24    Total - 270



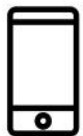
## 4 WAYS TO GIVE



Online at  
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Offering Box



Text to Give  
218-376-7072



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## FIND US ONLINE

### Online Events Calendar



Go to the Online  
Events Calendar

Go online to find events for everyone in the family, with more details than what we can give in the bulletin.

### Weekly Round Up

The Round Up is our online bulletin where we can share more about the life of our church. Find church news, serving opportunities, photos of ministry events, and helpful links. Every Friday in your email inbox!



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## MESSAGE NOTES

**Series:** The Invitation of Advent #4

**Message:** The Entourage - How Angels Proclaim the Glory of Jesus

**Scripture:** Luke 2:8-14

The Angels' announcements on the night of Jesus' birth

Angels in Old Testament: servants & worshippers of God

Angels in the Gospels: servants & worshippers of Jesus

Angels in New Testament: servants & worshippers with the Church

### Weekly Memory Verse: Luke 2:13-14

And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among those with whom He is pleased."

December 18, 2022

