

# 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.

9:00 am Service

10:30 am Service

Nursery (0-36 months)

Pathfinders classes are not meeting in August. Classes will resume Sept. 10.

## ORDER OF SERVICE

Announcements & Prayer - Elder Zac Preble

Worship Music

Ministry Moment - Gary & Donna Bordner

Children's Message - Pastor Micah Labovitch

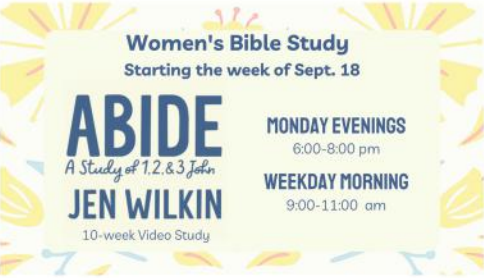
Message - Pastor Micah Labovitch

Communion

Worship Music

Benediction

# COMING SOON!



All women are invited to dive into "Abide: A Study of 1, 2, & 3 John" in a 10-week video study by Jen Wilken. You can choose from two different times: Monday evenings or a weekday morning that will be determined by the participants. The study starts the week of Sept. 18. Sign up online or at the Welcome Center!

For more details on any event, visit [grefc.org/events/](http://grefc.org/events/)  
Register for events at the Welcome Center or at [grefc.org/register/](http://grefc.org/register/)

## THIS WEEK

TODAY

Young Adult Leader's Meeting// 12:00 pm / Adrian & Rebecca Nelson's Home  
Missions Team Meeting// 12:00 pm / Pine Room  
All-Ministry Volunteer Training// 6:30 pm/ Worship Center

MONDAY

Men's Brats, Beans & Bags// 6:30-8:30 pm / GREFC Property

TUESDAY

Welcome Team Ministry Training// 6:30-8:30 pm / Room 106  
Kid Group Ministry Training// 6:30-7:30 pm / Room 102

WEDNESDAY

Pathfinders Ministry Training// 6:30-7:30 pm / Room 102

## EACH WEEK

TUESDAYS: Summer Family Park Dates// 9:00 am-12:00 pm/ Rotating Parks  
TUESDAYS: Young Adult Ultimate Frisbee// 7:00 pm/ Fairgrounds  
THURSDAYS: Worship Team Practice// 7:00 pm/ Worship Center



GREFC will again host a Women's Bible Study Fellowship discussion group on Thursdays starting Sept. 14. This year's study is on the Gospel of John. The study runs the entire year and you must visit [bsfinternational.org](http://bsfinternational.org) to register - you cannot register on our church's website.

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## Pray With Us For...

Family: Al & Shirley Zachman

Missions: Reach Global - EFCA  
International Missions

Ministry: Quintin Legler - Executive  
Board Chairman, Elder, Safety Team

## LAST WEEK @ GREFC

### Giving

Last Week Actual	Weekly Budget
\$5,757.00	\$8,365.38

YTD Actual	YTD Budget
\$292,046.63	\$284,423.08

### Attendance

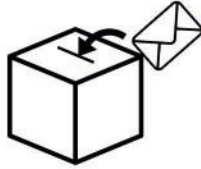
9:00 am - NA	10:30 am - 240
Online - NA	Total - 240



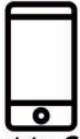
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Offering Box



Text to Give  
218-376-7072

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Events Calendar

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The Weekly Round Up is our online bulletin. Find church news, serving opportunities, photos of ministry events, and helpful links. Every Friday in your email inbox!



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## MESSAGE NOTES

The Gospel of Matthew: Will You Believe King Jesus? #12

Sermon: King Jesus Challenges Our Understandings

Scripture: Matthew 16:1-20

Children's Message:

The Meanings We Misinterpret (16:1-4)

The Meanings We Misunderstand (16:5-12)

The Meanings We Minimize (16:13-20)

Weekly Memory Verse: Matthew 16:16-17 (ESV)

Simon Peter replied, "You are the Christ, the Son of the Living God." And Jesus answered Him, "Blessed are you Simon Bar-Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father who is in Heaven."

The Gospel of  
**MATTHEW**  
The Good News of King Jesus



August 27, 2023

# Join Us Sundays!

Services at

9:00 am & 10:30 am

In Person or Online on  & 



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