

STUDY QUESTIONS

1. Have you ever had to write a job description? What do you typically include or exclude? How do you decide?
2. Read Colossians 1:23-25. How are the facts that Paul is a "servant" of the gospel (v.23) and the church (v.25) connected? What is his main job to do?
3. What do you think it means that Paul's sufferings are "filling up what is lacking in Christ's afflictions" for the church?
4. Read vv. 26-27. What is the mystery that God has made known? How was it hidden in the past? How has it been revealed?
5. Read v.28-29 What is Paul's strategy to "make the word of God fully known" according to v.28? And to what end or purpose? Who does Paul mean when he says that "we" are the ones doing it?
6. Discuss the significance that Paul repeats the idea of "every one" 3 times in v. 28. Read and compare Ephesians 4:11-16 to this. Whose job is this?
7. Why does Paul describe this job as full of "suffering," "toil," and "struggle"? What makes the job harder or easier for us?

AROUND THE TABLE

Describe what a job description for parents might look like? What about for you? Read Col. 1:28. What is Paul's job in the church? Who does that in our church? In our family?
Pray: Discuss what it means to "present every one mature in Christ." Pray to do that!



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MESSAGE NOTES

Colossians: A Church Alive in Christ #4
Sermon: To Be Continued... and Completed
Scripture: Colossians 1:23-29

Think about it:

Serving the Body of Christ (1:23-25)

Revealing the Mystery of Christ (1:26-27)

Presenting Every One Mature in Christ (1:28-29)

Weekly Memory Verses: Colossians 1:27-28 (ESV)
To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. Him we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone with all wisdom, that we may present everyone mature in Christ.

April 28, 2024

COLOSSIANS

A CHURCH ALIVE IN CHRIST



Join Us Sundays!

Services at

9:00 am & 10:30 am

In Person or Online on  & 



Grand Rapids Evangelical Free Church

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.

KIDS & STUDENTS @ 9:00 AM

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.

Nursery (0-36 months)	Room 108
Preschool A	Room 103
Preschool B	Room 101B
Kindergarten	Room 106
1st/2nd Grade	Room 104
3rd Grade	Room 102
4th/5th Grade	Youth Room
BRICK Bible Foundations (Grades 6 & 7)	Pine Room

Preschoolers through Grade 5 attend worship time with their families in the worship center, then are dismissed to class. BRICK students start promptly at 9:00 am.

ORDER OF SERVICE

Announcements & Prayer - Elder Zac Preble

Worship Music

Interlude: Dominican Republic Video

Message - Lead Pastor Micah Labovitch

Worship Music

Benediction

COMING SOON!



The invitations are in the mail and we're getting ready to celebrate all of our volunteers on May 15th! Please RSVP promptly so we can get a head count. Childcare allowances are included. If you DO NOT receive an invite in the next week and you know you've served in the past year, please RSVP and we'll mark you down.

For more details on any event, visit grefc.org/events/
Register for events at the Welcome Center or at grefc.org/register/

THIS WEEK

TODAY

Missions Team meeting// 12:00-1:00 pm/ Pine Room

TUESDAY

Membership Class // 6:00-7:30 pm/ Room 106

EACH WEEK

SUNDAYS Jr. High & Sr. High Youth Groups// 5:45 pm/ Youth Room

TUESDAYS: Young Adult Volleyball// 6:30 pm/ Worship Center

WEDNESDAYS: MidWeek Meal// 5:15 pm/ Community Room

WEDNESDAYS: Kid Groups// 6:15 pm/ Various Rooms

THURSDAYS: Women's Bible Study Fellowship// 6:00 pm/ Rooms 102, 104, 106

THURSDAYS: Worship Team Practice// 7:00 pm/ Worship Center



Sunday, May 19th will be a special time where we will celebrate our graduating seniors during our services. Student Ministries has been in contact with all the parents of Seniors. If you were inadvertently missed, please contact the church office and we'll get you the information you need!

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Pray With Us For...

Family: Richard & Karen Dokken

Missions: Itasca Youth for Christ

Ministry: Amanda Rutanen - Children's Ministry

LAST WEEK @ GREFC

Attendance

9:00 am - 243 10:30 am - 86

Online - 16 Total - 345

Giving

Last Week Actual	Weekly Budget
\$12,329.87	\$9,531.35

YTD Actual	YTD Budget
\$149,428.48	\$152,501.54



Online Giving



Events



Newsletter