

# THE EFCA



1600 Churches in the EFCA



170 Churches in the NCD



600 Missionaries  
in the EFCA

# MESSAGE NOTES

Stand Alone Sermon - Brian Farone, NCD Dist. Superintendent  
Message: Established Amid Opposition: *A Church Planting Story*  
Scripture: Acts 17:1-10a

About the EFCA North Central District

A Church Planted- The Backstory of Acts 17:1-10a

A Church Established- Acts 17:1-4

A Church Amid Opposition- Acts 17:5-10a

Memory Verses: Acts 17:2b-3

....He reasoned with them from the Scriptures, explaining and proving that it was necessary for the Christ to suffer and to rise from the dead, and saying "This Jesus, whom I proclaim to you, is the Christ."

September 15, 2024



## Join Us Sundays!

Services at

9:00 am & 10:30 am

In Person or Online on  & 



Grand Rapids Evangelical Free Church



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# 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 fill out a blue Connect Card, check out our Welcome Center, and grab a few brochures to learn more about us. 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.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL

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. We offer a private space in the nursery for nursing/pumping moms. Adults & Grades 6 & 7 do not check in.

### 9:00 AM - Pathfinders & BRICK, Adult Education

<b>Nursery</b> (0-48 mo.) ... Room 108	<b>Grades 2-3</b> ..... Room 102
<b>PreK</b> (age 3-4) ..... Room 101	<b>Grades 4-5</b> ..... Room 106
<b>Age 5 - Kinder</b> ..... Room 103	<b>Grades 6-7</b> ..... Pine Room
<b>Grade 1</b> ..... Room 104	<b>Adult Education</b> ..... Youth Room

Pathfinders kids attend worship singing with family then are dismissed to class.  
BRICK students go directly to the Pine Room at 9:00 am.  
Adult Education starts when kids are dismissed.

### 10:30 AM - Pathfinders Camp

<b>Nursery</b> (0-48 mo.) ... Room 108	<b>PreK - Grade 1</b> (age 3-5) ... Room 101
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Kids attending Pathfinders Camp go directly to their classrooms at 10:30 am.

## ORDER OF SERVICE

**Announcements & Prayer** - Elder Micah Labovitch

**Worship Music**

**Message** - Brian Farone, District Superintendent

**Worship Music**

**Benediction**

## COMING SOON!



Each year we gift our 2nd graders with new Adventure Bibles, just as they are becoming fluent readers. Miss Ashley will be contacting all parents with details. If you think we may not know about your 2nd grader, please contact the church office.

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

All Church Prayer Meeting// 5:30-6:30 pm/ Worship Center  
Sr. High Youth Group Starts// 6:30 -8:00 pm/ Ben & Lisa Nissen's Home

### TUESDAY

Executive Board Meeting// 5:00 pm/ Pine Room  
Women's Evening Bible Study Starts// 6:30-8:00 pm/ Room 106

### WEDNESDAY

MidWeek Meals Start// 5:00-5:45 pm/ Community Room  
Kid Groups Start// 5:45-7:15 pm/ Kid Zone  
Jr. High Youth Group Start// 5:45-7:15 pm/ Youth Room  
Adult Education - Genesis Start// 6:00 -7:00 pm/ Pine Room

### THURSDAY

Women's Morning Bible Study// 9:00-11:00 am/ Emily Lindner's Home

### FRIDAY

Bunko Night// 7:00-9:00 pm/ Community Room

## EACH WEEK [Visit grefc.org/events](http://grefc.org/events) for schedules!

- SUNDAYS:** Adult Education - Revelation// 9:20-10:10 am/ Youth Room
- SUNDAYS:** Sr. High Youth Group// 6:30-8:00 pm/ Youth Room - **Starts 9/15**
- WEDNESDAYS:** MidWeek Meals Start// 5:00-5:45 pm/ Community Room - **Starts 9/18**
- WEDNESDAYS:** Kid Groups Start// 5:45-7:15 pm/ Kid Zone - **Starts 9/18**
- WEDNESDAYS:** Jr. High Youth Group Start// 5:45-7:15 pm/ Youth Room - **Starts 9/18**
- WEDNESDAYS:** Adult Education - Genesis// 6:00 -7:00 pm/ Pine Room - **Starts 9/18**
- THURSDAYS** Women's Bible Study Fellowship// 6:00 pm/ Room 106
- THURSDAYS:** Worship Team Practice// 7:00 pm/ Worship Center



We invite anyone who's newer to the church in the past 6 months to join us for lunch. Meet other newer families, meet staff and elders, and get to know a little more about our church. The whole family is invited. Sign up at the Welcome Center or online.

## STAFF & LEADERSHIP

### Lead Pastor

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### Board of Elders

Chris Brown	Quintin Legler
Larry Curtiss	Barry Pederson
Kevin Geisler	Zac Preble
Paul Huttner	

### Executive Board

Quintin Legler - Church Chairman  
 Dan Carlson - Secretary  
 Kara Lundin - Treasurer  
 Lisa Mrnak - Financial Secretary  
 Scott Schwake - Facilities Coordinator

## Pray With Us For...

**Family:** Chad & Anna Gilbertson

**Missions:** Tom & Cheri Howard - World Team Cambodia

**Ministry:** Kelli Thompson - Kids Ministry

## LAST WEEK @ GREFC

### Attendance

9:00 am 244      10:30 am 85

Online 12      Total 341

### Giving

Last Week Actual      Weekly Budget

\$11,174.68      \$9,531.35

YTD Actual      YTD Budget

\$321,648.34      \$343,128.46

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