

MARCH 2024

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## SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES

In Person Services: 9:30am  
LiveStream: 9:30am  
Cable Channel 12: 5:15pm



## IMPORTANT NOTE:

PLEASE be aware of the handicap parking areas on the south side of the church building! Extra handicap spaces are available for those that are in need of them. Please be respectful of those in need.

Watch the website & current bulletins for updates on events!



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# LIBRARY NEWS



**WHEN SUNLIGHT FALLS** by Johnnie Alexander. Nineteen-year-old Talithia "Tally" Byler's quiet life with her grandparents in Lancaster County is upended in an instant when a photo of her jumping into the street to save a puppy from being hit by a car goes viral. At first, Tally thinks the attention is fun, and she even receives gifts and letters in the mail from her fans, but her grandparents are not happy about her fame. They even consider moving to escape from the unwelcome spotlight. Tally senses there's something they're not telling her. And it's true--her grandparents do have a secret they've been hiding from Tally all her life. Caleb Schwartz spends every spare minute fixing up a rundown farmhouse on his newly acquired plot of land. He's also transforming an outbuilding on the property into a potting shed and greenhouse as a Christmas surprise for Tally, who's got a real green thumb. When the house is ready, he hopes to ask for Tally's hand in marriage. But an encounter in town with a stranger threatens to shake up everything Tally has ever known. After learning the truth about her family's past, can Tally remain in her Amish community and make a life with Caleb?

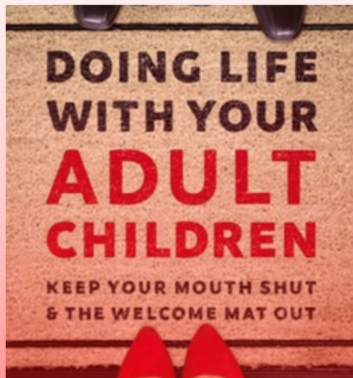
**CHASE AWAY CANCER** by Ellie Poole Ewoldt. A powerful true story of finding light in a dark diagnosis. A very courageous book. I know it will encourage and inspire so many others who find themselves navigating the storms of this life. You may think you know how this cancer story goes. The characters are- A little boy, loving family, a team of doctors. The prognosis: Terminal. There are two possible outcomes: Will the family be plunged into extreme sorrow or miraculous joy? What if the answer is both? Chase Away Cancer is a true story written straight from a mother's heart. It's a memoir of desperate hope and fierce love, of a family who refused to give up even in the darkest of nights, and of the faith that carries them through it all, moment by moment.

**SINCE NOBODY'S PERFECT HOW GOOD IS GOOD ENOUGH** by Andy Stanley. Good people go to heaven...don't they? Sure they do. It only makes sense. Actually, it doesn't really make sense at all. Actually, it doesn't really make sense at all. Smart, educated, accomplished men and women everywhere are banking their eternities on a theory that doesn't hold water. Chances are, you've never really thought it through. But you owe it to yourself to do so. Find out now what's wrong with the most popular theory about heaven...and what it really takes to get there.

**OVER THE LINE** by Kelly Irvin. She vowed never to trust him again. But now he's her only hope. Gabreilla has never forgiven her former fiancé, homicide detective Eli Cavazos, for breaking her heart. Then a man she's never met shows up at her restaurant, a bullet in his chest and her brother's name on his lips. Gabby soon realizes this man is connected to a powerful ring of criminals who know far too much about her. Against her better judgment, Gabby turns to Eli for help finding her brother. When she receives a cryptic text from her brother's cell phone, she realizes she is in deep and may be dragging Eli down with her. With her brother nowhere to be found and pain from her past threatening to overwhelm her, Gabby wonders how she will make it through this unexpected quest unscathed--or alive. Taking us into the heat of Laredo, Texas, the secrets of a gun-smuggling ring, and the tensions on both sides of the border, Over The Line will keep you guessing until the last page.



# FRC News



**Coming Soon!**  
One of our most  
talked about studies.

*April 7,14,21,28*  
*1045am-1130am*

Book Study, Discussion-Based Class

## Midweek Menu:

March 6: Chicken Noodle  
Casserole

March 13: Sub Sandwiches

March 20: Egg Bake


March 27: Pork Loin

## Upcoming Events:

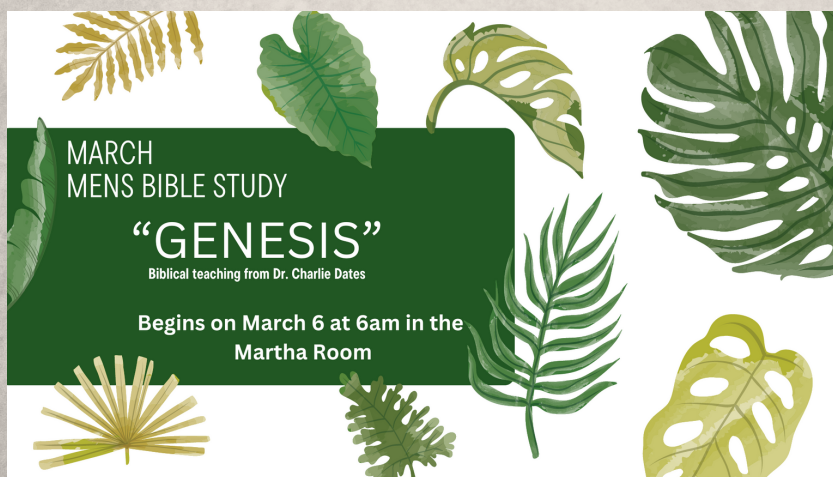
March 24: 9:30am Easter Cantata

March 29: 6:30pm Good Friday Worship

March 31: 9:30am Easter Worship



ADULT BIBLE STUDY  
“**PROVERBS-**  
**THE PATHWAY TO WISDOM**”  
Wednesday Nights, April 3, 10, 17, 24  
630pm-730pm



MARCH  
MENS BIBLE STUDY  
“**GENESIS**”  
Biblical teaching from Dr. Charlie Dates  
Begins on March 6 at 6am in the  
Martha Room

LOCAL SERVING OPPORTUNITY

**SERVE  
AT  
“BREAD OF LIFE”**



March 27, 2024

## GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

Help and encouragement after the  
death of a loved one

GriefShare is a special weekly seminar and support  
group designed to help you rebuild your life. We  
know it hurts, and we want to help.

Mondays 6:30pm – 8:30pm  
April 1- June 24 2024  
First Reformed Church  
512 S. Union - Rock Rapids  
Amy Ryals-Pastoral Care Director



Parenting your Parents' Workshop  
Coming on March 28th @ 6:30pm  
(let Amy Ryals know if you have topic  
suggestions)



# *Amazing Grace*

## **Easter Cantata**

**March 24, 2024 @ 9:30am**

**Solos by:** Grant Van Aartsen & Sherri DeJong

**Directed by:** Judy Gacke

**Narrated by:** Joel Vis





**Common Ground (before worship)**

- 3) Pytleski Family
- 10) Girls League
- 17) Edie Korthals & Glenda Hellenga
- 24) Hartter Family
- 31) Todd & Stacy Dieren

**Coffee Break (following worship)**

- 3) Springer Family
- 10) Girls League
- 17) Ivy & Dusty Ramsey
- 24) Fred & Sharon Tilstra
- 31) Harman Family

**Nursery**

- 3) Jammie & Mali Kellenberger
- 10) Jen Lincecum & Avery Harman
- 17) Lillian Nagel & Rhya Kelderman
- 24) Joel Vis Family & Jacob Van Aartsen
- 31) Kay & Melanie Wynia

**Sound System**

- 3) Dustin Bosch
- 10) Matt Kock
- 17) Curt Dieren
- 24) Dustin Bosch
- 31) Sawyer Hrdlicka

**Video Taping**

- 3) Eric Arnold
- 10) Justin Groen
- 17) Breyden Dieren
- 24) Brad Rypkema
- 31) Randy Bosch

**Proclaim Presenter**

- 3) Caitlin Huisman
- 10) Tanner Lincecum
- 17) Berlyn DeWit
- 24) Aubree Boender
- 31) Elise Kahl

**Medical Assistant**

- 3) Nicole Larson
- 10) April DeWit
- 17) Jean Fick
- 24) Kristi Metzger
- 31) Brenda Van Hofwegen

**Greeters**

- 3) N) Harvey & Nettie Roskam S) Scott & Allison Van Aartsen SE) Brad & Ashley Rypkema
- 10) N) Ben & Nicole Gerleman S) Mark & Sarah Swartz SE) Nate & Amy Schulte
- 17) N) Richard & Margie Reitsma S) Heath & Wendy Huisman SE) Mike & Erica Groen
- 24) N) JD & Lesa Hommes S) Craig & Kay Wynia S) Jerry & Kerry Mulder
- 31) N) Jarod & Emily DeBey S) Garrett & Carly Sayler SE) Laurine Gerritsen

**Children & Worship:**

- 3) Cheryl Van Beek-L H-Mali Kellenberger
- 10) Ashley Rypkema-L Taylor Rypkema-H
- 17) Heather Springer-L Anika Springer-H
- 24) Amy Schulte-L Jayda Pytleski-H
- 31) No C&W (EASTER)

**Sunday School Cookies:**

- 3) Emily Anderson
- 10) Glenda Hellenga
- 17) Karen & Bob Reemts
- 24) Kerry Mulder
- 31) Ashley Kruse

**Sunday School Prayer Leader:**

- 3) John Metzger
- 10) Dwayne Postma
- 17) Cheryl Van Beek
- 24) Fred Tilstra
- 31) Dwayne Postma

**Sunday School Hall Monitor:**

- 3) Katie Boender
- 10) Josie Moser
- 17) Myranda Moser
- 24) Ashley Rypkema
- 31) Katie Boender

**Van Drivers:**

- 3) Shawn Van Wyhe
- 10) Mike Klarenbeek
- 17) Dale Klarenbeek
- 24) Jeff Hrdlicka
- 31) Paul Van Wyhe

**Work Group # 3**

- Amy Sprock
- Brenda Van Hofwegen
- Carol Oliver
- Danielle Raveling
- Deb Hunt
- Natalie Kirch
- Emily Anderson
- Kellie Menning
- Marilyn Mammenga
- \*Rachelle Johnsen
- Roberta Flier (bars)
- Kaitlin Buntjer
- Shari Kastein
- Sheryl Bouwman
- Stacia Van Veldhuizen

**Volunteer List:**  
**March 2024**



# March 2024



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2
					8am Men's Bible Study	
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	7-8pm Mission Committee Meeting 7pm Young Adult Bible Study	6:30pm Care Elder Training 6:30pm Women's Bible Study	6am Men's Bible Study 9-11am MOPS		8am Men's Bible Study	
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
9am Evangelism Committee Mtg. 11:30am Potluck 5pm Girls League 5pm Guys Night	7pm Young Adult Bible Study	6:30pm Women's Bible Study	6am Men's Bible Study 9am Staff Meeting 9:30am Joy Circle	6:30pm Peace Circle	8am Men's Bible Study	
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
	6:30pm Deacon/Elder Meeting 7:30pm Consistory Meeting 7pm Young Adult Bible Study	6:30pm Grace Circle 6:30pm Women's Bible Study	6am Men's Bible Study 9-11am MOPS	6:30pm Parenting your parents workshop	8am Men's Bible Study	9-11am Easter Cantata practice
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
9:30am Easter Cantata						
31						
Easter Sunday	7pm Young Adult Bible Study	6:30pm Women's Bible Study	6am Men's Bible Study		6:30pm Good Friday Worship	

**Sunday Morning Worship**  
 @9:30am  
 \*Livestreaming starts @ 9:25am\*  
 Cable Channel 12 @ 5:15pm  
**Praise team practices:**  
 Sundays @ 8:15am & or  
 Wednesdays @7pm  
**Youth practice:** 6pm Wed.  
**SUNDAY SCHOOL:**  
 Following Worship  
**Children & Worship**  
 During Worship  
**Club 512**  
 Wednesday 2:30-5pm  
 Meal to follow 5-6:15  
 Jr. RCYF 6:30pm  
 Sr. RCYF 8pm  
**Moms in Prayer**  
**Traditional:** Sundays @ 7pm  
**Traditional:** Mondays @ 5:45am  
**College & Careers:**  
 Mondays @ 5pm  
**College & Careers:** Tuesdays @8:30am  
**Traditional:** Tuesdays @8:30am

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