

A Message from Emily

March 17th is a day I remember fondly celebrating as a child. My whole life I was told I am 1/4 Irish! After all, my grandmas maiden name was Ryan. When I entered my 30's I did one of these heritage tests where I sent in my DNA. I was so excited to get it back as I was planning a trip to Ireland to visit my ancestors homeland. Well, low and behold it came back I was only 1% Irish! I may as well go to Germany instead now!

Anyway, I still love to celebrate St. Patrick's Day and I still share in the fun with my family. I would love to share the fun with you! That is why we are offering **17% Off** your total purchase on Sunday March 17th!

As always, thank you for shopping at Cherry Street Books!
~Emily

Book of the
month
Always
10% OFF

ALL THE LIGHT WE CANNOT SEE By: Anthony Doerr

A stunningly ambitious and beautiful novel about a blind French girl and a German boy whose paths collide in occupied France as both try to survive the devastation of World War II. Marie Laure lives with her father in Paris within walking distance of the Museum of Natural History where he works as the master of the locks. When she is six, she goes blind, and her father builds her a model of their neighborhood, every house, every manhole, so she can memorize it with her fingers and navigate the real streets with her feet and cane. When the Germans occupy Paris, father and daughter flee to Saint-Malo on the Brittany coast, where Marie-Laure's agoraphobic great uncle lives in a tall, narrow house by the sea wall. In another world in Germany, an orphan boy, Werner, grows up with his younger sister, Jutta, both enchanted by a crude radio Werner finds. He becomes a master at building and fixing radios, a talent that wins him a place at an elite and brutal military academy and, ultimately, makes him a highly specialized tracker of the Resistance. Werner travels through the heart of Hitler Youth to the far-flung outskirts of Russia, and finally into Saint-Malo, where his path converges with Marie-Laure. Interweaving the lives of Marie-Laure and Werner, Doerr illuminates the ways, against all odds, people try to be good to one another.



Book Club

We have six different book clubs that meet in the store. If you would like more information or would like to join a club please call the store. We prefer you to sign up in advance for any of our book clubs. This way in the event we need to cancel due to weather or illness we have contact information from you.



MARCH

BOOK CLUB MEETING INFO

Interested in joining one of our book clubs or starting one?

Reach out to us at 320-763-9400!

Sunday Afternoon Book Club -

Meets 3/3 @ 3:30pm

Reading: The Meaning of Smekday by: Adam Rex

Between the Covers Book Club -

Meets 3/19 @ 5:30pm

Reading: Dreamland by: Nicholas Sparks

Broadway Book Club - Hosted at Copper Trail Brewery

Meets 3/5 and 3/12 @ 7:00pm

Reading: Killers of the Flower Moon by: David Grann

Wednesday Morning Book Club -

Meets 3/6 @ 10:00am

Reading: The Mystery Guest by: Nita Prose

Thursday Evening Book Club -

Meets 3/21 @ 7:30pm

Reading: Remarkably Bright Creatures by: Shelby Van Pelt

Please check our social media for updates on cancellations or other updates!





March Events

Saturday, March 9th: Story Hour
(Colors Themed) at 10:00am

Saturday, March 16th: Story Hour
(Pizza Themed) at 10:00am

Saturday, March 16th: Rolling Forks Vineyards Book Fair
from 11:00am-3:00pm

Saturday, March 23rd: Story Hour
(Cars and Trucks Themed) at 10:00am

Saturday, March 30th: NO STORY HOUR

Sunday, March 31st: CLOSED for Easter

Check out our event pages on Facebook for more
detailed information!

Store Hours

Monday- Friday

10:00am to 5:30pm

Saturday

10:00am to 4:00

Sunday

11:00am to 3:00pm

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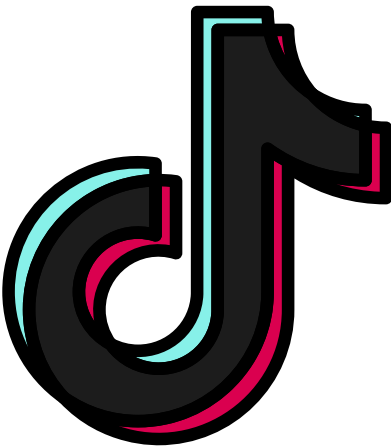
Anne's book rec

This past month, I listened to - on Libro.fm - *The Last Watch*, and *The Exiled Fleet* by J.S. Dewes. A couple of years ago I read *The Last Watch* and loved it, so I was excited to give it and its sequel a try as audiobooks. A group of soldiers - the Sentinels - are stationed at the edge of the universe - the Divide, on an antiquated and ill-equipped space vessel. They discover that not only has the universe stopped expanding, but it is also now collapsing and with little resources the Sentinels - recruits, exiles, and court-martialed criminals and their commander Adequin Rake must figure out how to save humanity. These books were the right mix of nerdy science stuff and exciting space opera for me! I am really excited about the third book - *The Relentless Legion* - which comes out November 12th of this year. That gives you plenty of time to read or listen to the first two books! Excellent for fans of Star Trek, The Expanse, Dune, and maybe even A Game of Thrones!

Please consider giving Libro.fm a try if you enjoy audio books and help support indie bookstores!



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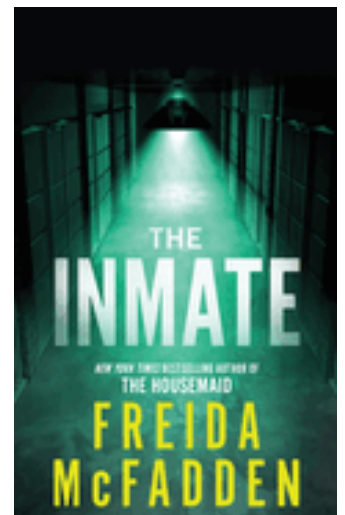


Kenya's book rec

The Inmate by Freida McFadden

The Inmate is a psychological thriller about a single mom (Brooke) who returns to her hometown to work at a federal prison after the death of her parents. Unfortunately the prison houses Brooke's old boyfriend who is serving a life sentence for triple homicide - the catch is: She is the one who put him there after he tried to kill her.

I was really excited to read this thriller as Frieda McFadden books have been flying off the shelves at the bookstore. The only other book by her I've read was "Never Lie" and this is another book of hers that did not disappoint! I liked how McFadden wrote in the present tense and occasionally in the past as Brooke tries to remember exactly what happened the night her boyfriend, Shane, tried to kill her when the facts surrounding the ordeal starts to seem questionable. Did she put the wrong person in jail? If you're a fan of Mcfadden's other novels then I would highly recommend this one as well and if you have not tried one of her novels yet, this would be a good one to start with!





Stop in and
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of our easter
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goodies!

Lot's of ideas
for the kids
and adults!



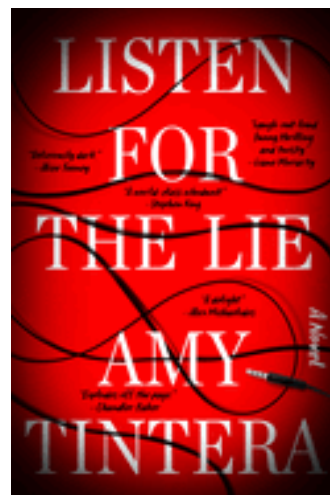
Anglica's book rec

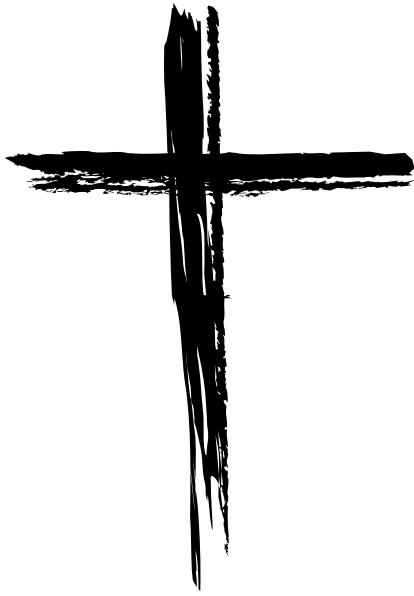
Listen For The Lie
By Amy Tintera

This mystery/thriller is PERFECT for true crime podcast junkies like myself. In this book we follow the main character Lucy who, years prior, was accused by the town of murdering her best friend Savy after walking out of the woods covered in blood. The only thing saving Lucy from imprisonment is the fact that she lost her memory from the night Savy went missing, and the very little incriminating evidence against her.

Lucy has tried to move past the horrible night she can't remember anything about by moving to California to start a new life. But when Ben Owens makes the trip to Lucy's hometown to research the case for his sensationally popular podcast, she is forced to move back. Even though she told herself she would never set foot back in that town she is determined to find out what happened the night Savy went missing and was murdered. Even if that means finding out she was the one who did it.

This book truly keeps you on your toes and is a super fast read! With podcast format interviews included, you will be flying through the chapters!





BAPTISM
FIRST
COMMUNION
CONFIRMATION

WE HAVE A
LARGE
SELECTION OF
CHRISTIN
GIFT ITEMS!



Becky's book rec

Mockingbird Summer, by Lynda Rutledge, is a powerful new novel about 13 year old Corky navigating through a fairly sheltered life in an increasingly racially-charged High Cotton, Texas in the early 60's. Corky has recently read *To Kill A Mockinbird* but doesn't fully understand all of the racial division and unspoken rules in the book OR in her small town. She befriends and admires a Haitian girl, America, who joins the girls softball team after some urging and encouragement from Corky and her brother. The small town is divided in the drama of a black girl playing on the church team, but several citizens in town stand up for the quiet, talented America and doing what is right. The most beautiful part of this book is the letter in the end Corky writes as a retired woman trying to find her friend America who made such an impact on her life. This is a fairly clean read, despite the sensitive topics, and does a great job at reminding us of different opportunities in our life where we can do better and treat people better no matter their differences.



April is Poetry Month

Earth Day Poetry Event

Start thinking about putting your care for the Earth into words from your heart.

Everyone is invited to submit original poetry for a chance to win a \$25 gift certificate from Cherry Street Books.

- Three prizes will be awarded: One adult, one elementary & one secondary student.
- Thank you for your entry of poems that include **observation**, **conservation** or **appreciation** of the **Earth**.
- **Mail or drop off** poems at **Cherry Street Books**, 503 Broadway, Alexandria, MN. **Entry deadline is APRIL 5.**
- Poems will be posted or read at the **Earth Day Celebration**, at First Lutheran Church on **April 20, 12–3pm**. Join in the FUN!
- ★ No E-mailed or social media submissions will be accepted.
- ★ Student poets attending the April 20 event will receive a Love Earth magnet compliments of DCL.
- ★ **Include your name and contact information with your poetry submission.** If under 18 years of age, include age along with parent or teacher name.



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