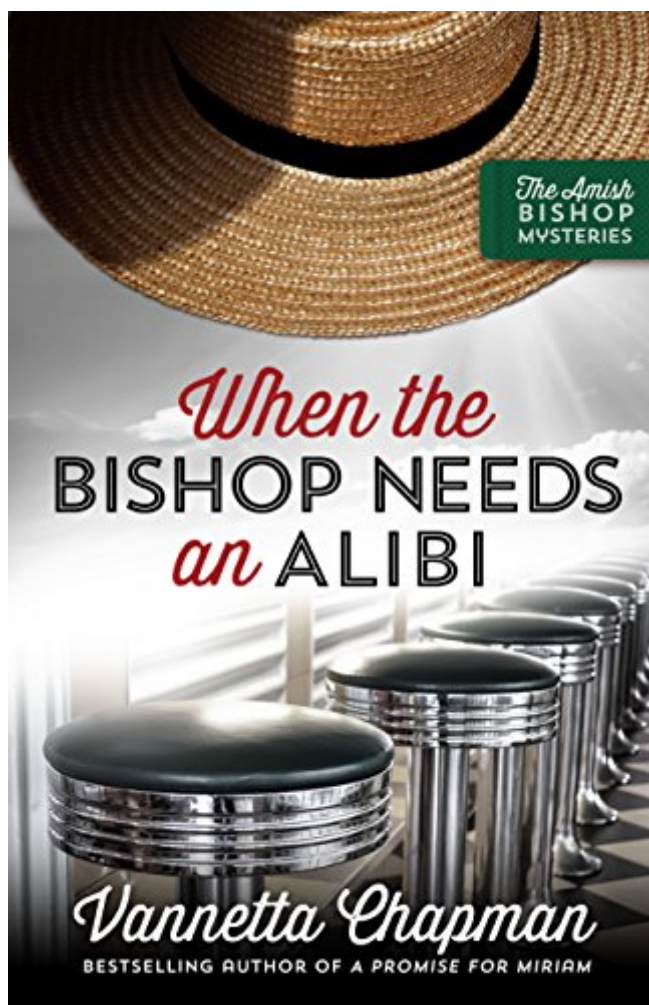


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A Terrible Secret Hides in the Bulrushes Amish bishop Henry Lapp eagerly awaits the annual arrival of 20,000 sandhill cranes to the San Luis Valley of Colorado. But his visit to the Monte Vista National Wildlife Refuge reveals more than just a miracle of God's creation. Hidden among the bulrushes and cattails is the deceased body of a young woman. As the local authorities attempt to unravel the mystery, Henry feels God's calling to use his extraordinary talent to aid in the investigation. His ability to draw from memory in photographic detail could help solve this puzzling case. Henry's closest friend, Emma Fisher, has always urged him to embrace his gift. As their relationship deepens, Henry realizes his involvement could put him and those he loves in the direct path of a killer, one who is willing to do anything to cover up a brutal crime, including framing the bishop. When the Bishop Needs an Alibi is a compelling story of faith, friendship, and finding courage only God can provide.

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Customer Reviews

I love this series by Vannetta Chapman! Imagine the most peaceful, serene atmosphere you know (for many of us, an Amish community). Juxtapose that against the worst scenario possible (trying to expose a crime while hoping not to lose your life). Bingo. Herein is the setting for Chapman's second book of the Amish Bishop series, *When the Bishop Needs an Alibi*. First of all, I am in love with the gentleness of these particular people Chapman has presented. This is one unusual bishop in an Amish community. He truly loves his people and loves helping them with their burdens. Indeed, it is this compassion that draws him to Sophia Brooks. I enjoyed the physical setting of the book as well. The San Luis Valley of Colorado sits between mountains and has (at least, in this story) a nature preserve. How awesome it sounded! Chapman enjoys including relevant Amish proverbs, a few English proverbs, and many well-placed Bible verses. These enhance the story so much. One thing I like, though, is that the Amish and Englishers have found a way to live and work together. Every community could take lessons in compatibility from this area. Unfortunately, good as this book was, it reminded me at the end of a phone call with a loved one that can't quite end. The book reached its climax, then seemed to have an afterthought. Then that chapter finished, and there would be another seeming afterthought. Then another. The book could have wrapped up neatly a little earlier. All in all, though, a story not to be missed. It can be a stand alone, but is much better read as the second book in the series. Waiting to see if there will be a third.

What a wonderful read! Even better than the first. Author Vannetta Chapman's writing style is so comforting that when there is action and suspense it hits you even harder. A true delight to read. Wonderful characters and storyline and a super read. If you haven't bought this yet, do it now. You will love it!

Loved this book! Could hardly put it down. Enjoying these characters and series so much. I even have my 71 year old father-in-law reading them too. He and I are both anxiously awaiting the next book in the series to see what happens next. Wish we didn't have to wait so long.

Couldn't put this book down. I enjoyed the way scripture was brought into the story without actually quoting a verse. The characters are well developed and each one is unique. One of my favorite Amish fiction books.

Bishop Henry Lapp has a special gift that he uses somewhat reluctantly to solve the murder of a young woman he meets at his favorite diner. You will be drawn into this story as I was by the realistic characterization of Henry, Emma, and the members of his small Amish community. Henry's wisdom and Christian spirit translate well into our own modern world, so in need of kindness and understanding. I can't wait for another in this series!

This is a definite book that I would recommend. The first of the series was wonderful as well. I can't wait for book number three.

Once you begin this book you won't want to put it down. Hope she writes another one. Good Christian books are always welcomed

The characters are "real" people. I loved this community and felt like I knew each person. The plot was totally unique. Great book!

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