The Circus Train
by Amita Parikh
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A magnificent traveling circus, a star-crossed romance, and one girl’s coming-of-age during the darkest of times.

The German Wife
by Kelly Rimmer
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Sofie and her husband, a German scientist who has been pardoned and granted a position in America’s space program, find their family torn apart by an act of violence after rumors about their affiliation with Nazi Germany.

The Old Lion: A Novel of Theodore Roosevelt
by Jeff Shaara
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This story traces the remarkable life of one of the most consequential figures in the U.S. and the world at large, from the mid-19th century to the early 20th century, revealing a man who shaped the foundations of the modern country and world.

The Second Life of Mirrielle West
by Amanda Skenandore
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Exiled to rural Louisiana in the 1920s after being diagnosed with leprosy, socialite Mirrielle stays away from other residents until she finds both community and purpose.

Briefly, a Delicious Life
by Nell Stevens
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Roaring Twenties New York society is set ablaze when a working-class Black woman marries the son of a wealthy, prominent family, and makes international headlines after he sues for annulment, accusing her of hiding her Negro blood.

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**All the Blood We Share**
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The family of a gifted medium who can receive messages from beyond are welcomed by the town of Cherrvale, but no one knows about their other business.

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Released from a Japanese internment camp in 1944, Aki Ito moves to Chicago to be with her sister, Rose, only to lose her in a subway train accident. Aki vows to learn what really happened.

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After a young man from the poorest part of Trinidad goes missing during the end of British colonialism, a farmhand is offered a generous stipend to become a watchman and determine what happened to the missing man.

**The Book of Longings**
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First-century intellectual Ana fights the limitations imposed on women before an encounter with an 18-year-old Jesus leads to their marriage, his dangerous public ministry, and her flight to safety in Alexandria.

**The Librarian of Burned Books**
by Brianna Labuskes
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The fates of three women become intertwined by their belief in the power and goodness in the written word and its ability to triumph over the very darkest moments of World War II.

**Looking for Jane**
by Heather Marshall
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A woman discovers a mysterious letter with a life-shattering confession, and her search for the recipient leads her back to the 1970s when a group of brave women operated an illegal, underground abortion network.

**Dust Child**
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The abandoned son of a Black American soldier and a Vietnamese woman during the war dreams of finding his family and a better life.

**My Father's House**
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In German-occupied Rome during World War II, as diplomats, refugees, and escaped Allied prisoners flee for protection into Vatican City, a small band of unlikely friends risk everything—including their lives—to help those seeking refuge.

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