

2nd's Matters

August 29, 2018

WORSHIP THIS SUNDAY, September 2

We will celebrate the Lord's Supper and as we are called to remember him at the table, of greater power and comfort is that God remembers us. Pastor MacLeod will use texts like Genesis 7:24-8:1 in our being assured that our salvation is secured by God's never-diminished capacity to identify those who belong to him. Our offerings will be for the General Fund and Ferris State Campus Ministry.

Our Church Family:

Our Christian sympathies are offered to Elna and the family of **Harry Nieboer** who died Monday evening. His funeral service will be tomorrow, Thursday, August 30 at 11:00 AM at Second Church. Visitation will be prior to the service from 10-11 AM.

All Church Potluck:

As we near the beginning of the church school year, let's celebrate by eating and fellowshiping together. Reserve Sunday, September 9 for an all church potluck. Everyone, members and guests, are invited. If your last name begins with A-K please bring a cold dish. If your last name begins with L-Z please bring a hot dish. Please bring generous portions so there is plenty for everyone. Everything else including rolls, drinks, dessert, table service and paper products will be provided. We will eat in the basement fellowship hall as soon as the church school classes dismiss around 11:30. Don't miss this opportunity to enjoy God's good gifts.

Student Ministries Room Rearrange (or "Pardon our Dust"):

Starting September 9, many of our Student Ministries will be meeting in new rooms, and all of our programs (including the infant nursery) will be meeting in the basement. During this transition time we ask that you bear with us as we repaint walls, move furniture and redo signage. If you have any questions, please feel free to come talk with Zach Van Wyk.

Calling all Musicians:

Do you like playing an instrument, or singing in a group? Are you interested in being part of our Sunday Morning worship team? If you are considering joining our worship team please come talk with Pastor Doug or Zach Van Wyk about your interest.

Stock the Pantry!

For the month of August, the Deacons request macaroni and cheese and tuna/canned meat for donation to the TrueNorth food pantry.

CoffeeBreak/Story Hour needs YOU!

1. Pray that the staffing needs will be filled: leaders and childcare staff needed.
2. Prayerfully consider whether or not you can free up your schedule to be involved as a leader or childcare staff. Call Julie Baker #928-0184 as soon as possible for questions and to indicate your willingness and availability to be involved.
3. Invite your neighborhood women and children to attend with you this fall.

Community

Wellspring Adult Day Service

Are you caring for a loved one at home with memory loss or other health concerns? Could you use some rest, help and support? Wellspring is a safe place where you can bring your loved one for the day. Please contact Tammy Cowley at 231.638.8786 for more information on our adult day service.

Transitional Health Services Car Show

On Thursday, August 30, from 1pm-3pm Transitional Health Services (4554 W. 48th Street) is hosting an Old Fashioned Car Show featuring the Port City Model A Club. People are encouraged to bring their own old car, or just come for a free hot dog and to check out the cars!

GriefShare

We welcome anyone who has lost a loved one to attend a GriefShare group. This 14-week course offers help and support to those who are grieving. A new session will begin on Thursday, September 6 from 6:30-8:30pm and runs on consecutive Thursdays with an open-door policy. There is a \$10 fee for a personal workbook which will assist you on your grief journey. We look forward to walking with you on your journey from mourning to joy! Sessions will be held at First CRC, 721 Hillcrest Drive, Fremont. Registration (231) 924-2460 is helpful for planning but not required. For additional information about the program, you can check out the website at www.griefshare.org.

Pastor Doug: A Quote from a Book I Read

“All religion is concerned to overcome fear... The maxim of illusory religion runs: ‘Fear not; trust in God and he will see that none of the things you fear will happen to you’; that of real religion, on the contrary, is ‘fear not; the things that you are afraid of are quite likely to happen to you, but they are nothing to be afraid of.’”

-- John MacMurray, as quoted by Wilkie Au and Noreen Cannon Au, *The Discerning Heart*, p. 221-222.