

2nd's Matters

September 19, 2018

From Your Pastor's Desk:

I spent last week in Texas attending a conference on preaching. Like most any profession I appreciate that you'd have to be in the business to have an interest in continuing education focusing on an aspect of that vocation. So while such an event might not catch your fancy, I actually enjoyed spending some days with 150 other pastors concentrating and thinking about the theological and technical aspects of a Reformed approach to expository preaching. I appreciate having the support of a church which provides time and resources for professional development. Thank You.

Worship This Sunday, September 23

Pastor Doug preaches from Mark 10:17-31, "Who Then Can Be Saved?" Our offerings will be for the General Fund and Wellspring Adult Day Care.

Our Church Family:

Dee Rauwerda has been in a hospital in Grand Rapids since Sunday with a foot infection. She is returning home today.

Congratulations to **Jacob Deur and Brittany Pekel** who were united in marriage on Saturday, September 15. May the Lord bless them as they begin their new life together.

A memorial service for **Grace Baker** will be held here at church on Saturday, September 22, at 11 AM. There will be visitation with the family from 10-11.

55+ Breakfast: September 20

55+ Breakfast group will be meeting tomorrow, September 20, 8:30 AM at **Brew Works in The Commons**, 5909 S Warner, next to the bowling alley. All those 55 years and older are most welcome.

Special Moments Group: Harvest Festival Fun, September 20

Meet at the Emmorey's home, 306 E Main Street (southeast corner of Main and Stewart) at 5:00 pm for dinner then we will sit outside on the front lawn to watch the Harvest Festival Parade at 6 pm. If you need transportation, just let Bonnie know. RSVP to Bonnie Emmorey (734) 358-6385.

Car Hop: September 26

The annual Car Hop Fundraiser will be taking place on Wednesday, September 26. Food service begins at 5:30. The menu will include Great Lakes Cattle hamburgers and hot dogs, chips, and beverage choice followed by ice cream sundaes. Donations will go to the Second Christian Reformed Church Youth Group to support student mission trips.

Fremont Friendship: October 1

FRIENDSHIP, a Bible study for special needs persons, will begin meeting Monday, October 1, 7:00 pm at Second Christian Reformed Church, 600 Apache Drive, Fremont. We look forward to another year studying God's Word and growing in Him together!! Please call Mary Boven, 231-519-3796, or Bill Rose, 231-924-2412, with any questions. (MENTORS ONLY meeting will be this Monday, September 24, 7:00 pm at Second church.)

Prayer Partner Sign-Up

This year our church has been blessed with over 75 students in our Children's Worship, KidsOwn Jr, KidsOwn, Sunday School, High School and College ministries. We are looking for a group of adults to support, pray for and encourage these students by committing to the prayer partner program. We encourage you to sign up on the sheet located on the literature ledge to be a prayer partner for one of these students. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Zach Van Wyk or Mary Folkema.

Stock the Pantry!

For the month of September the Deacons request peanut butter and jelly for donation to the TrueNorth food pantry.

Community

Transitional Health Services: September 21

On Friday, September 21 from 10 AM-2 PM, Transitional Health Services, 4554 W. 48th St., Fremont, is hosting our 3rd Annual Harvest Health Fair. People can come by to get free health screenings, information, be entered into raffle prize drawings, get a free taco lunch, and check out the old tractors that will be on display.

Insight Pregnancy Services Open House: September 30

Insight Pregnancy Services will be hosting an open house of our new building on Sunday, September 30 from 11:00am-3:00pm. We invite you to come check out our new location after your church service. We will be giving tours of our building and there will be some refreshments and a light lunch provided. We are so excited about this Fremont location and we hope that you will come celebrate with us.

Love and Logic: October 8

Get ready to laugh, learn, and put the fun back into parenting! Want to stay calm when your kids are pushing your buttons? Want them to listen the first time you ask? Want to avoid power struggles over chores? Parenting the Love and Logic Way™ has solutions! Only successful approaches stand the test of time! THIS approach has been around for 40 years!

New class begins Oct. 8. Class is six consecutive Monday evenings from 7 to 9 concluding Nov. 12, at the Fremont Rec Center, Outpost Room; cost is \$50 per couple or single.

Registration by Sept. 25 is a must so we know how many workbooks to order.

Call or email Sharon Deur (616-219-4392; sharond.outpost@gmail.com) to register.

Check out this approach for yourself at loveandlogic.com

Pastor Doug: A Quote from a Book I Read

“Because preaching is the public face of our ministry and pastoral care is often behind the scenes, many parishioners do not know how often the conversations we have with members about faith, prayer, doubt, health, God, sex or death feed into our sermons.

Preaching and pastoral care go hand in hand.”

-- Rev. Dr. Mary Hulst (Calvin College Chaplain), *A little Handbook for Preachers*, p. 111.