

November 25, 2018

Worship 9:30 AM

Gathering

- Prelude
- *Gathering Song: "Let All Things Now Living"
- *Welcome and Call to Worship
- *God's Greeting
- *Passing the Peace of Christ
- *Songs of Praise: "He Reigns" and "Lord Most High"

Depending on God

- Call to Confession
- Prayer of Confession
- Assurance of Pardon

Thanking God For His Grace

- *Song of Gratitude: "Great Is Thy Faithfulness (Beginning To End)"
- Congregational Prayer
- Offerings: The General Fund and True North
- Offertory Song: "How Deep the Father's Love for Us"
- Children's Blessing *Children ages 3-5 are dismissed for Children's Worship*

Receiving God's Word

- Song of Preparation: "There's A Wideness In God's Mercy"
- Scripture Lesson: John 17:3 page 1048
Luke 17:33 page 1016
- Message: "Searching for Real Life?"
- Prayer

Departing as Witnesses

- *Song of Response: "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"
- *Blessing from God
- *Parting Hymn: "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"
- *Postlude
- *Stand if able

*Piano: Cathy MacLeod
Flute: Ann Webster
Violin: Annelise Folkema
Cajon: Vincent Mellema*

*Vocalists: Jenn Mellema, Sydney Wagenmaker, Ben Mellema, Steve Wagenmaker
Preacher: Rev. Joseph Fox*

SECOND CHURCH NEWS

WORSHIP TODAY, November 25. In the Christian church year this Sunday is known as Christ the King Sunday, and it is also a prelude to Advent. Pastor Doug is participating in leading an ordination service for Ben Gandy at Sunshine CRC in Grand Rapids today. Our own Rev. Joseph Fox is leading our worship service and preaching from John 17:3 and Luke 17:33 with a message "Searching for Real Life?" Our offerings are for the General Fund and True North.

OUR THANKSGIVING TREE beside the pulpit bears many leaves which have been written on by many of our children and youths, as well as some adults. You are invited to take a look at the leaves and see for yourself some of things others are thankful for.

KIDSOWN, SUNDAY SCHOOL and FYSH do not meet today due to Thanksgiving break.

WORSHIP NEXT SUNDAY, The First Sunday of Advent, December 2. Next Sunday begins the season of Advent. The sanctuary will be decorated for the season and we will light the first of the Advent candles. Our worship will also include our being welcomed to go forward to receive the gift of the sacrament of Communion. Pastor Doug will begin a series of Advent messages based on John 3:16, "God Gave His Son." Our offerings will be for the General Fund and Western Michigan Christian High School.

CHRISTMAS SHOE BOXES FOR APPALACHIA REACH OUT:

All shoeboxes for ARO need to be returned by today. Thank you to those who filled 70 shoeboxes for elementary and middle school students in Inez, Kentucky, served by ARO. You are making Christmas brighter for families because of your loving generosity. The Outreach Committee

THE PROPERTY COMMITTEE will meet on Wednesday, November 28, at 7 PM in the Fireside Room.

KIDS HOPE: There are 168 hours in each week; assuming you sleep 8 hours every night, that leaves 112 hours in your week. Do you have time to give just one of those to a child who needs a special friend? We now have two children still waiting for a mentor. Thanks for considering this! Please contact Ann Pell (231) 250-7329

COLLEGE STUDENT CARE PACKAGES: As a church we will be sending care packages to our students who are away at college. These packages will be sent in time for exams and end of the year projects and papers. There is a sign-up sheet with suggestions for what to donate located on the literature ledge. Please feel free to sign up to bring one or more of these items. All donations can be put in the box outside of Zach's office door by Sunday, December 2. If you are a parent of a college student and their address has changed in the last year please email the updated address to 2ndyouthdirector@gmail.com

KARIN MEDICAL CLINIC in Gulu, Uganda is in a deficit financial situation and currently needs about \$8,000. The Outreach Committee is encouraging friends and members of 2nd Church to give a special gift to help erase this deficit. Your gift should go through 2nd Church and your check should indicate that it is for the "special need at the clinic". All funds received through individual gifts are over and above the annual \$4,000.00 of support that we send to the clinic through our Faith Promise giving. The total collected so far is \$2,150.

COFFEE BREAK AND STORY HOUR: Story Hour is a great time of structured activities, Bible story, and crafts for children. Coffee Break is a great way to explore the Bible (in January the study of Acts will continue) through discussion and questions. The women learn from each other and in the process build relationships/trust with each other. So what about you -- why not try Coffee Break/Story Hour? Tuesdays at 9:30 am here at Second Church. Call Julie Baker #231-245-0184.

Urgent Need - Coffee Break nursery staff starting in January

Due to some of our workers going south for the season, we need more nursery workers for Coffee Break. Would you be willing to dedicate a Tuesday morning to receive these young ones? Questions - call Julie Baker #231-245-0184.

STOCK THE PANTRY: For the month of November the Deacons request spaghetti sauce and pasta or rice for donation to the TrueNorth food pantry.

FYSH

- Nov 25 – No FYSH
- Dec 2, 7:13 PM – FYSH Bible Study

Young Life

- Dec 5, 7:56 PM – YL Club at Fremont Rec Center
- Dec 10, 7:56 – YL Campaigners at the Van Wyks

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

- Pray for God to sustain **Paul Keehl** as he cares for his wife, **Janet**. Janet suffered a serious head injury in a fall a couple of weeks ago and is not expected to live much longer. Paul remains by her hospital bedside in Grand Rapids.
- Our deepest sympathies to **Helen Wissner** in the recent death of her brother-in-law, Ray Pell.
- Please pray for **Zach Van Wyk's** father, who will be having an extensive and serious operation for intestinal cancer this week.
- Pray for **Hope Okeny** in Uganda

SECOND CHURCH CALENDAR

Today

9:30 AM Morning Worship Service
10-10:45 Children's Worship for ages 3-5

Monday

7:56 PM YL Campaigners at the Van Wyks'

Tuesday

9:30 AM Coffee Break
7:00 PM Worship Committee meeting

Wednesday

2:00 PM Mid-Week Bible Study
6:30 GEMS
6:30 B.A.S.I.C
7:00 Shepherding Elders
7:00 Property Committee

AVAILABLE ON THE LITERATURE LEDGE

- November 21 2nd's Matters
- TODAY Devotional for Nov/Dec

SERVICE ASSIGNMENTS

Ushers (Call Bob Hayward if you cannot find your own substitute)

Today: Dan Ward, Randy Pell, Ryan Buchanan, Tom Stepanek

Next Week: Gordon Polanski, Mike DeWeerd, John Mellema,
Roger Folkema

Nursery Attendants

(Call Mary V. Folkema if you cannot find your own substitute)

Today: Infant: Helen Mellema, Melissa Miller
Toddler: Amy Brasser, Gabi Folkema, Samuel Brasser

Next Week: Infant: Jody Cook, Mary V Folkema
Toddler: Jane VanOstenberg, Carly Smith,
Maddie DeWeerd

Greeters

Today: Dirk and Bev Kolk

Next Week: Gary and Mary Breuker

Medical Care Facility Visitors Service begins at 2 PM

Today: Speaker Bruce Haveman; Lewis and Sharon Blohm,
Joe and Esther Jiran, Dirk and Bev Kolk, and
Louise Slager, pianist

Next Week: Speaker Rev. Bob Broekema; families of Al and Bette
Wagenmaker, Marcia Kolk, Ed and Sara Krohn

Drivers for Deerfield Residents

Today: Bruce Essebaggers

Next Week: Bruce Essebaggers

Sound and Video Operators

Today: Joe Jiran, Tyler Cook

Next Week: Joe Jiran, Mahlon Volz

Children's Worship

Today: Liz Donkersloot, helper Ben DeWeerd

Next Week: Sandy Smith, helper Maddie DeWeerd

Kids' Own

Today: No class

Next Week: Joni Boeskool

Kids' Own Jr

Today: No class

Next Week: Julie Karnemaat

Cookies (6 dozen each to be at church by 9:15 am)

Today: Lisa Deur, Melinda Ward

Next Week: Elizabeth Wolffis, Helen Mellema