

2nd's Matters

June 5, 2019

From Your Youth Director's Desk

This past Monday Fremont Young Life wrapped up their school year ministry with an end of the year party at the Wolffis family cottage. In true Young Life fashion every game was a high intensity contest between teams. The night wrapped up around the fire talking about the year, our excitement for summer plans, and to be reminded of God's promise to "be with you wherever you go." (Joshua 1:9) What a beautiful promise for our high school friends to reflect on as they prepare for all of the new and exciting things ahead of them.

Summer is an odd season in Youth Ministry. In some ways there are less regular meetings with students but we get the opportunity to spend more time with students. This summer I will be spending time with students on a mission trip to the Chicago Westside Christian School in the Lawndale neighborhood of Chicago, IL as well as on trips with Young Life to hike with students on North Manitou Island and to go to camp at the Castaway Club in Detroit Lakes, MN. I can't wait to see the way that God will move in and amongst and through students this year as He goes with them on whatever journey summer takes them too.

Pentecost Sunday Worship, June 9, Faith Promise Sunday

This Sunday is Pentecost and our annual Faith Promise Sunday. Our Outreach Team has selected the theme, "Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous deeds among all peoples" based on 1 Chronicles 16:24 We will welcome Rev. Kurt Selles who is the Director of the CRC's Back to God Ministry International and has been in missions his entire ministry, including many years in Taiwan and China. Our Faith Promise brochure and pledge cards were put in mailboxes on May 15. We encourage you to prayerfully consider a pledge amount and return your pledges in the collection plate this Sunday. Our goal for 2019 – 2020 is to receive a pledge total of \$35,000 which would allow us to financially support each of our 7 missions with \$5,000 in the year ahead. Our offerings this Sunday will be for the General Fund and for Resonate World Missions.

Our Church Family

John Mellema is having spinal surgery in Grand Rapids today (Wednesday) to give him relief in his arms related to his accident this winter. He is expected to stay overnight and return home Thursday.

John and Helen Mellema's son Jason has been dealing with non-Hodgkin's lymphoma which appears now to be in remission, but there is reason for new concern for evidence of additional abdominal cancer which needs investigation.

Events

Fremont Young Life's 7th Annual Golf Outing, Saturday, June 8

The outing will be held at Water's Edge Golf Course. We would love to have you join us as we play 18 holes of golf and celebrate 45 years of Young Life in Fremont. If you are interested in signing up a team there is more information available on the literature ledge, or feel free to ask Zach Van Wyk any questions you may have.

From the library

Two new books are here for your reading enjoyment.

The Mosiak Miracle: how God is building a new church for refugees, immigrants and nationals by Stephen Beck. Vera Hansen referenced this book in church recently.

Pierced and Embraced: 7 life changing encounters with the love of Christ by Kelli Worrall. New kids and teen books and DVDs will be in the collection by the end of June. Enjoy your church library and make reading a part of your summer activities.

Thank you!

On behalf of our team going to Guatemala I just wanted to take a minute and say **THANK YOU** from the bottom of our hearts for everyone who has and continues to support our mission trip. The amount that was received from our fundraiser was above and beyond what any of us expected. Not only will we be able to have an amazing family night for the families at the feeding center on Grace Mountain but we will be able to feed an additional 100 families in the village we build in, the food we give them is enough to feed the family for close to a month...this is huge for them!

I want to say a special thank you to all local companies and families that donated items for our silent auction but especially to these couple that donated food for the event, location and products needed to make the night a huge success! Nieboer Electric, Great Lake Cattle Company, Spanky's Pizza, Fremont Christian School, Loco Burrito, TS Graphics and 2nd CRC.

The Luchies and Nieboer Families

Stock the Pantry:

For the month of June, our Deacons welcome donations of soup and crackers. Donations to our food pantry are distributed to families in Newaygo County through True North Community Services.

Community

Down East Boys concert, June 9

Ferrysburg Community Church (CRC), located at 17785 Mohawk Drive in Spring Lake, is hosting a concert featuring "The Down East Boys" on Sunday, June 9, at 6PM. Come and enjoy an evening of great Christian music from a group that has had two #1 songs in the last eight months. For more information, please call the church at 616-842-3880 or the Schaafs at 231-206-2964. A free will offering will be taken at the concert.

SYNOD 2019

Synod 2019 will meet on the campus of Calvin College in Grand Rapids, Michigan, from Friday, June 14, to Thursday, June 20. All area CRC members are invited to join delegates in worship at the synodical Service of Prayer and Praise on Sunday evening, June 16, at 5 p.m. in the Calvin College Chapel. Rev. Roger B. Groenboom, pastor at Faith Community CRC, will deliver the message.

Father's Day ad

Newaygo County Right to Life will place an ad in the Hi-Lites on Father's Day honoring those whose names are submitted. If you would like to include someone in the ad, place their name on the list on the literature ledge in the lobby of the church and place \$2.00 for each name in the envelope. Be sure to write the name in the In Honor of or In Memory of section.

Zach Van Wyk: A Quote From a Book I Read

"Dear Evan Hansen, today is going to be a good day and here's why: because today, no matter what else you're you. No hiding. No lying. Just you. And that's enough."

– From Dear Evan Hansen by Val Emmich, Steven Levenson, Benj Pasek, & Justin Pau, pg. 333

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