

November 22, 2020

Worship 9:30 AM

Our worship service is livestreamed:

Watch on YouTube at tinyurl.com/2ndcrclive or
on Facebook at facebook.com/SecondCRCFremont/live/

Gathering

Welcome

Call to Worship: Psalm 95:1-7a

*God's Greeting

*Passing the Peace of Christ

*Songs of Praise: "Here I am to Worship" and "I Could Sing of Your Love Forever" and "Forever"

Depending on God

Children's Blessing

Congregational Prayer

Receiving God's Word

*Song of Preparation: "The Goodness of God"

Scripture Lesson: I Chronicles 29:1-22

Message: "A Thanksgiving Prayer"

*Song of Response: "For the Beauty of the Earth"

Departing as Witnesses

*Blessing from God

*Parting Hymn: "Now Thank We All Our God"

*Stand if able Musicians: Wendy Kops, Louise Slager, Jane Wolffis, Lizzie Van Wyk, Bob Broekema
Preacher: Pastor Doug MacLeod

WORSHIP

November 22, Sunday Worship (live-streamed only)

We offer our Thanksgiving to God today. Pastor Doug's message, "A Thanksgiving Prayer," is based on the wonderful prayer of King David in First Chronicles 29:1-22.

Thanksgiving

This year we are not holding a Thanksgiving Day worship service. On Wednesday we will send out via email some resources for personal and household devotions you may choose to use at home on Thanksgiving Day, and additional materials for use in the weeks ahead during Advent. Additionally, look for a video montage of expressions of personal gratitude! If you still want to send in your 10-20 second video clip, please do so by Sunday afternoon to PastorDoug@SecondCRCFremont.org

November 29, Sunday Worship, the First Sunday of Advent (live-streamed only)

Next Sunday will begin the four-week season of anticipating Christmas – Advent! This year the Revised Common Lectionary will be providing our weekly scripture texts. Going with these "assigned texts" aligns us with passages which will be used in churches around the world on each of the Sundays of Advent. It broadens our awareness of and connection with the Church worldwide during this pandemic.

Each week our worship service will include lighting an Advent candle and you are welcomed to have Advent candles at home to light along with others at the same time.

For the first Sunday of Advent, Mark 13:24-37, will be our text for "What Time Is It?"

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Roger Folkema is receiving end-of-life hospice care in the comfort of his home and with his family.

Al Baker passed away Wednesday morning at the Newaygo Medical Care Facility. We extend our Christian love and sympathy to Vicki (his daughter) and Brad Gilliland. A private graveside service is being planned.

Directory Correction:

MAJ Josh Dimkoff (wife Beth, children Ava, Adie, Gabriel)
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

From the Council

In caring for one another and our community and with respect for the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services' three week "Pause to Save Lives" order, the Council has suspended all in-person church events for three weeks. Our Sunday morning worship services will continue to be live-streamed from our sanctuary each Sunday morning at 9:30. Our prayer is that our Lord will honor this temporary

sacrifice of gathering for in-person for worship, that we can still worship together even if only remotely, and that we can get through this difficult time.

Church Office and Staff availability

During the three week "Pause to Save Lives" order issued by the MDHHS we intend to continue our church office hours of Monday – Friday, 9 - noon. Pastor Doug is working primarily from home and is readily accessible by phone and email. All church staff continue to be available by telephone or email.

Pastor Doug's November 19 Tank Talk is available on our Facebook page or [Click here to see the video.](#)

Meal Train for Roger and Mary Folkema

As the Folkema family focuses on time together as Roger is home and continues his health battle, the deacons are inviting our Second Church family to show our love and support by providing meals for them. Freezer meals and gift cards to local restaurants are also helpful to the family. You can sign up to provide a hot meal or certificate for a meal by clicking on this link <https://mealtrain.com/rw78ml> to our Meal Train. Please contact Nanci Nieboer to make arrangements for meal and gift certificate deliveries. If you need help with signing up for a date on the Meal Train, please contact Audra Powell [231-414-1820](tel:231-414-1820) or Stephanie DeKuiper [231-414-5141](tel:231-414-5141).

Grace Encounters are those times when we feel God close to us, when Christ is truly made known to us and we feel his presence in a profound way. These encounters may be specific moments or the consistent presence of God in our daily lives. These stories of people "knowing Christ" will be recorded on video and presented in our services soon; the videos will also be available on our website. If you are willing to share your experience, we would love to have you be part of this project. Please contact someone from the Discipleship Committee: Joni Boeskool, Chelsea Breuker, Mary V. Folkema, Ann Pell, or Zach Van Wyk.

2021 Giving Envelopes

Your giving envelopes for 2021 are in your mailboxes in the lobby. If you would like to be mailed to you, please let Valerie know at office@secondcrcfremont.org.

Christmas Shoe Boxes for Appalachia Reach Out

It's time to fill Christmas boxes for children in Inez, KY served by ARO. The boxes are on a table in the lobby with information on ages and necessary instructions. Boxes need to be filled, wrapped, tag attached to the outside, and returned by Tuesday, December 1. Remember you just need to wrap the container but not the individual items in the container. Thank you for reaching out in the name of Christ to children in Kentucky who will be delighted to receive a box of fun things...just for them.

Offerings

Our Deacons welcome our support for our congregation's financial obligations with our offerings. Donations can be mailed to the church at 600 Apache Drive. Additionally, donations can be submitted online via bank account, credit, or debit card at this link: [Second CRC - Online Giving](#) or [download the "GivePlus" app if you wish to give to funds other than the General Fund.](#)

Special envelope offerings are: November 22 – Bethany Christian Services

November 29 – Young Life

The November 15 offering for Chaplaincy and Care was \$135.

Safe Church:

The church year 2020-2021 Safe Church Policy Document was e-mailed out recently. If you have not yet turned in your consent form, you can find one on the literature ledge in the lobby. If you are part of the leadership team of youth group see Zach for how you should take care of your consent form. If you have any questions please contact Bob Broekema, our church's Safe Church Ministry Coordinator.

Stock the Pantry: For November the requested items are spaghetti sauce, pasta/rice.

AVAILABLE ON THE LITERATURE LEDGE

- TODAY Devotional for Nov/Dec

SERVICE ASSIGNMENTS

Sound and Video Operators

Today, Nov 22: Jason DeKuiper, Kyler DeKuiper, Zach Van Wyk

Next Week, Nov 29: Jonathan Mellema, Jon Mellema, Tyler Cook

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