

December 13, 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

Prelude: "With Joy I Heard My Friends Exclaim"

Welcome

Call to Worship

God's Greeting

Passing the Peace of Christ

Songs of Praise: "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing" and "Angels from the Realms of Glory"

Depending on God

Third Advent Candle: Witness

Advent Reading: Isaiah 61:10-11

Lighting the Third Advent Candle

Children's Blessing

Quartet: "God Is So Good"

Congregational Prayer

Concluded with the Lord's Prayer

Receiving God's Word

Song of Preparation: "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"

Scripture Lesson: John 1:6-8, 19-28

Message: "One You Do Not Know"

Song of Response: "On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry"

Departing as Witnesses

Blessing from God

Parting Hymn: "Joy to the World (Unspeakable Joy)"

Musicians: Wendy Kops, Jud Afman, Lizzie Van Wyk

Sydney Wagenmaker, Bob Broekema

Advent Reader: Kate Mellema

Quartet: Liam, Dirk, Theo, Rijk Buchanan

Preacher: Pastor Doug MacLeod

WORSHIP

Sunday Worship, December 13, The Third Sunday of Advent – live stream only.

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For the Third Sunday of Advent we use scripture readings from the Revised Common Lectionary. The use of these texts joins us with the worldwide church and in solidarity with a world enduring this pandemic while we wait for the Advent of Christ. Today we light the Third Advent Candle, Kate Mellema reads from Isaiah 61:10-11, and the Buchanan boys, Liam, Dirk, Theo and Rijk, sing "God Is So Good." The scripture text for Pastor Doug's message, "One You Do Not Know," is John 1:6-8; 19-28.

Christmas Eve service, 7 pm. Planning ahead: This year our Christmas Eve worship service will be a service of Lessons and Carols. It will not be open to attendance, but it will be available on-line beginning at 7:00 pm.

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Our Christian love and condolences are extended to **Wes Miller** in the death of his grandmother, Loretta Moon, on December 7.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Advent Resources

Our Student Ministries Committee has obtained the following devotional for our congregational use during Advent: [Advent devotional](#) If you do not have a printer at home, we have some copies available at church that you can pick up or that we can deliver.

From the Administrative Team

Worship: Second Church will continue with no in-person worship on Sundays December 13 and 20, and Christmas Eve (7 pm). These services will all be live-streamed only.

Finances: At the end of November, our church is behind on our budget by roughly \$25,000. The financial reports should be distributed this week. As you plan your year-end giving, please consider giving to 2nd Church to help cover this shortfall.

2021 Giving Envelopes

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

Love Offering

An envelope has been placed in your church mailboxes labeled "Love Offering" to show our good will and appreciation for our church staff this Christmas season. If you would like to participate, please return your offering to the church office or to Audra Powell by December 13. Please specify how you intend your gift to be dispersed. If you like, you can drop off the love offering envelope to the church. There is an offering plate in the lobby specified for love offering. Please, no cash. Contact Audra Powell (231.414.1820) if you would like the envelope dropped off at your home. Please Note: any late offerings that come in following December 14 will be added to the General Fund.

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:

December 13 – Wellspring Adult Day Services
December 20 – Christian Education Fund
December 27 – Love, INC

The December 6 offering for the Fremont Service Committee was \$135.

Stock the Pantry: For December, the requested items are soup and crackers.

AVAILABLE ON THE LITERATURE LEDGE

- TODAY Devotional for Nov/Dec

SERVICE ASSIGNMENTS

Sound and Video Operators

Today, Dec 13: Jonathan Mellema, Jon Mellema,
Zach Van Wyk

Next Week, Dec 20: Jason Snyder, Tyler Cook,
Zach Van Wyk

2nd CRC - Financial Update
Contributions Compared to Budget Needs

	<i>Contributions for Nov 2020</i>	Budgeted Income Needed	Difference POS/(NEG)	YTD <i>Contributions As of 11/30/2020</i>	YTD Budgeted Income Needed	Difference POS/(NEG)
General Fund	27,105.00	31,400.00	(4,295.00)	131,287.87	157,000.00	(25,712.13)
Christian Ed. Fund	7,115.00	8,944.83	(1,829.83)	23,837.99	44,724.17	(20,886.18)
Faith Promise Fund	1,170.00	2,333.33	(1,163.33)	13,215.00	11,666.65	1,548.35

Expense Compared to Budget Needs

	Expenses for Nov 2020	Budgeted Expense for Nov 2020	Difference POS/(NEG)	YTD Expenses as of 11/30/20	YTD Budgeted Expenses	Difference POS/(NEG)
General Fund	30,710.47	32,506.00	1,795.53	158,777.94	162,530.00	3,752.06

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