

November 29, 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: "Goodness of God"

Welcome

Call to Worship: Isaiah 64:8-9

God's Greeting

Passing the Peace of Christ

Songs of Praise: "O Come, All Ye Faithful" and "Sing to the King"

Depending on God

First Advent Candle: Watching

Advent Reading

-- Luke Folkema

Lighting the First Candle

Children's Blessing

Duet: "Emmanuel"

-- Taylor DeKuiper, Hallie Snyder

Congregational Prayer

Receiving God's Word

Song of Preparation: "Build Your Kingdom Here"

Scripture Lesson: Mark 13:24-37

Message: "What Time Is It?"

Song of Response: "Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus"

Departing as Witnesses

Blessing from God

Parting Hymn: "He Has Come For Us"

*Musicians: Wendy Kops, Jud Afman, Annelise Hryns, Jon Volz
Preacher: Pastor Doug MacLeod*

WORSHIP

Sunday Worship, November 29, The First Sunday of Advent – live stream. tinyurl.com/2ndcrclive

This year our Advent anticipation as we look toward Bethlehem, is guided by the Gospel readings from the Revised Common Lectionary. These texts will join us with the worldwide church and in solidarity with a world enduring this pandemic. Today we light the first Advent candle, Luke Folkema reads 1 Corinthians 1: 3-7, and Hallie Snyder and Taylor DeKuiper sing "Emmanuel." For the First Sunday of Advent the scripture text for Pastor Doug's message is Mark 13:24-37 which includes the words of Jesus himself pointing to his second advent.

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

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

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 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 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.

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

We are filling 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 to church 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.

Contact a member of the Outreach committee if you have any questions.

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.

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. Please 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: November 29 – Young Life
December 6 – Fremont Service Committee
December 13 – Wellspring Adult Day Services

The November 22 offering for Bethany Christian Services was \$155.

Stock the Pantry: For November the requested items are spaghetti sauce, pasta/rice. Starting Tuesday, December 1, the requested items will soup and crackers.

AVAILABLE ON THE LITERATURE LEDGE

- TODAY Devotional for Nov/Dec

SERVICE ASSIGNMENTS

Sound and Video Operators

Today, Nov 29: Jonathan Mellema, Jon Mellema, Tyler Cook

Next Week, Dec 6: Jonathan Mellema, Jon Mellema,
Jason Snyder

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