

SECOND'S MATTERS

June 9, 2021



**Second Church
of Fremont**

Knowing Christ, Making Christ Known

From Your Student Ministries Director's Desk

Usually, I don't notice furniture or things that I've seen a million times before. But, this week, as I walked into church, I couldn't help but notice the church pews. Over the last two weeks, Val has taken considerable amounts of time, effort, and Old English polish to bring new life to these pews. I didn't realize how bad the pews had gotten until I saw the before and after photos. It's incredible to see things that aren't the way they are meant to be restored to wholeness. Last Sunday, we had the opportunity to partake in the Lord's Supper – a reminder our world is not the way it is supposed to be but that God had a plan to restore it. Next Sunday, we get to be a part of the baptism of the Volz kiddos – another moment to remind us of things being restored to the way they are designed to be.

Our world is full of brokenness – put simply, things are not the way that God wanted them to be when He created us. We see this everywhere; in broken families, in people we interact with every day, in ourselves, and in old church pews. Yet, God never stops reconciling all things to him. He never gives up on making things the way they are supposed to be. So I don't know what you are facing today, this week, or this year. But we are all facing something that just isn't right. So let baptism, or the Lord's Supper, or refinished pews remind you that even amid all that brokenness, you are not alone. Friends, God loved you so much that He sent His Son to redeem what is broken in your life. So, while today, tomorrow, or next week might have some new kind of trouble, don't worry, God's got it all figured out.

Sunday Worship, June 13

Rev. Scott Hoezee will be leading us in worship; his message "Found" will be based on Luke 19:1-10. We will also celebrate with Ashlyn Volz and the extended Volz family in the baptism of Maleia, Iva, and Ben. This Sunday, our banners will depict the waters of baptism and the Trinitarian expression "In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit."

Sunday Worship, June 20

Rev. Ron Baker will be leading us in worship; His message "Ambassadors for Christ" will be based on 2 Corinthians 5:11-6:2. This Sunday will also be our Faith Promise – mission emphasis service and will include a presentation from our Outreach Committee on the program and its 2021-2022 participants and goals.

Our Church Family

Roger Rauwerda has a new address: Covenant Living Apt #A115, 2510 Lake Michigan Drive NW, Grand Rapids, MI 49504.

Thank you for the prayers, cards, and expressions of sympathy following the loss of our brother Randy.
Rick and Eileen Alderink

Congregational News

Worship Participants

We are looking for willing participants of all ages who would, either in person or via video, lead in worship through scripture reading, praying, singing, leading liturgy, offering a Grace Encounter, etc. Individuals and families are encouraged to consider this possibility. Questions? Contact Wendy Kops, Karen Admiraal, or the church office (924-0170).

Cookies on Sundays – Bakers needed

With more people joining us on Sunday mornings, we need more help to bake cookies each week, so we don't run out! (What a great problem to have!) So if you are willing to make cookies, please see Marleen at the coffee station on Sunday morning!

Bulletin Design Update

Last Sunday, June 6, we used a new bulletin design. We appreciate your patience as we work out any hiccups or kerfluffles. We will continue emailing out the bulletin (now as a PDF attachment), and it will still be available on our website.

Father's Day Ad in Hi-Lites

Father's Day is the perfect day to honor those who gave us life. If you would like to thank your father, grandfather, or any special man for choosing life, place their name on the list on the literature ledge in the lobby and enclose \$2.00 for each name. They will be printed in the Hi-Lites on Father's day, June 20, by Newaygo Right to Life. Every life is precious and designed by God.

Hymn Sing, Saturday, June 12

Do you miss singing the old songs? Saturday, June 12th, 7:00 pm at The Shack will be a Good Old Fashion Hymn Sing to benefit the Newaygo County Volunteer division of Bible League. A free-will offering will be taken. The event will take place rain or shine; make sure to bring your lawn chair. Contact Christi Handy @ 231-578-5354 or Jessie Rose @ 923-2231

Offering Information

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 or submitted online via bank account or card at this link: [Online Giving](#). If you wish to give to Christian Education or Faith Promise online, then download the "GivePlus" app.

Special envelope offerings are: June 13 – Wellspring Adult Care Services

June 20 – World Renew

June 27 – Hope 101

Stock the Pantry

For June, the requested food items are soup and crackers. Donations can be dropped off at church or directly at TrueNorth.

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