

SECOND'S MATTERS

June 16, 2021



**Second Church
of Fremont**

Knowing Christ, Making Christ Known

From Your Student Ministries Director's Desk

I love musicals. In High School, on a whim and with the hope of flirting with a crush, I joined the tech crew of my sophomore musical. (It was Annie, thanks for asking.) While the High School crush didn't last, my affinity for theatre did. By the end of my Senior year, I won my high school's senior theatre award for acquiring the most program points. (What a nerd.) In the last year, I've fallen in love with the music and story of *Dear Evan Hansen*. One of my favorite songs from the musical is "You Will Be Found." In it, the main characters realize just how much everyone is looking for someone to make them feel known and seen.

As I listened to Scott on Sunday, Zaccheaus' story came alive and reminded me of *Dear Evan Hansen*. Jesus found Zaccheaus in his lostness and invited him back into the fold. I don't know about you, but when something is broken, it is easy for me to give up on it. When something is really hard, it is easy to be overwhelmed by it. In those moments, I often feel alone, like no one will ever understand what I'm going through. The truth is, we aren't alone. Other people have gone through what we are going through. Jesus came as a human and experienced all of the emotion that comes with humanity. If you are feeling alone today, I pray that you know that you are not alone even in the middle of your isolating situation, and better days are coming. In the words of the musical: *"Out of the shadows // The morning is breaking // And all is new, all is new // It's filling up the empty // And suddenly I see that // All is new, all is new // You are not alone"*

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.

Sunday Worship, June 27

Seminarian Sheri Admiraal will be leading us in worship; her message "The Lamp of God" will be based on 1 Samuel 3:1-4:1.

Advanced Notice, July 4 Combined Worship

On Sunday, July 4, we will join in worship with other area churches for an outdoor worship celebration. The service will start at 10 am in the West Gerber Parking Lot (cross streets of Stone and Hemlock, with entrances on Hemlock.). We encourage you all to pack up the lawn chairs and blankets and join our community for worship. In case of inclement weather, we will be at First Reformed Church using an FM transmitter.

Our Church Family

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

Helen Veenstra moved to Green Acres Residential Center (801 East Main, Room 212) at the end of May. Her new phone number is (231) 335-2075.

Congregational News

Church Email

We are experiencing some difficulties with our email and website servers. At the moment, no church email can receive messages, and the website is down. If you need the church staff, please call us at (231)924-0170 or by using our cell phones listed in the directory.

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!

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 20 – World Renew
June 27 – Hope 101
July 11 – Fremont Christian School

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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