

SECOND'S MATTERS

August 24, 2022



**Second Church
of Fremont**

Knowing Christ, Making Christ Known

Sunday, August 28

Pastor Tom Jasperes will lead us in worship. His message 'Eager to Preach, Notes from the Field' is based on Romans 1:11-16.

Community Worship Service, Sunday, September 4, 10am

On Sunday, September 4 (Labor Day weekend), our church will be participating in a combined outdoor worship service at Veterans' Park beginning at 10 am. We are looking forward to worshipping together with our brothers and sisters in Christ. Golf carts will be available for those needing assistance entering the park from their parking location. Please bring your own lawn chairs and/or blankets. A Kids Korner will be available for kids ages 4-10. Fellowship is encouraged following worship and will include refreshments and kids' activities. For those unable to attend in person, the service will be livestreamed at www.facebook.com/FirstCRCFremont. In case of rain, the service will be held at the First Christian Reformed Church, 721 Hillcrest.

Our Church Family

Lewis and Sharon Blohm have moved. Their new address is: 455 Mary Lane, Fremont.

Please pray for **Wayne Homan**, who home under hospice care.

Continued prayers for healing and strength for **Karen Vogel and Josie Visser**.

Pray for **Rich Kraley**, his wife Julie, their children and grandchildren.

Community Announcements

Kids Hope

Do you ever wonder what a Kids Hope Mentor does? Just a few of the things are: encourages, listens, engages, talks, supports, invests, cares, shows up. All these powerful actions are done through the commitment to one child, one hour a week during the school year. Can you find an hour of your week to share? Contact Chelsea Breuker or Stephanie DeKuiper for more information about being involved.

Town Hall Meeting, August 28

There will be a Town Hall Meeting on August 28 following the morning service. Grab your coffee/cookies and join us back in the sanctuary. We will be sharing the new council structure that we've been working on for the past several months. Along with this we have been updating the council handbook and will have that available. We will be answering questions and love to have your input.

Property Committee will be meeting on **August 31 at 7:00pm**.

Fall Kickoff Potluck, Sunday September 11

It's fall and our Sunday School and other activities will kickoff on Sunday, September 11. Please join us for a Fall Kickoff Potluck at 11:30 in the fellowship hall in the basement of the church. To help us plan, please sign up to bring a main dish or a salad on the sheet in the lobby.

Thank you, the Fellowship Committee

New 8-Week Bible Study, September 25

Beginning on Sunday night, September 25 a new 8-week Bible study for men and women and will finish up on Sunday, November 13. Each session will run from 6-7:15pm and we will be meeting at church. Ezekiel is not a book of the Bible that we usually think about studying but is a very timely and relevant one for where our church is right now. The study is titled "An Unexpected Revival:

Experiencing God's Goodness through Disappointment and Doubt." by Bible teacher and author/speaker, Erica Wigenhorn.

Quoting from the book, "Through a study on the book of Ezekiel, God offers an invitation to:

- experience His faithfulness when surrounded by uncertainty
- reignite our hope instead of losing heart
- realize the call of God, reawakening us to our purpose
- rest in contentment rather than dwell in disappointment

"An Unexpected Revival sparks a fire in our longing hearts to feel renewed excitement in our relationship with God. Instead of going through the motions, checking the boxes, and wondering why God feels so far away, Ezekiel teaches us to come close and invite God to fill us with fresh fire. God offers His joy, peace and purpose to any who seek it. Do you long for revival?"

If your heart resonates with what you just read, please plan to come and join us! There will be a signup sheet, and a display copy of the study book for you to look at in the lobby beginning on Sunday, August 28 through Sunday, September 11. Books will be ordered after the signup closes so you can be ready for the first session on September 25. There will be an \$8 fee for each book ordered. The study book is broken down into five days of homework for each week and you should expect to spend 15-20 minutes per day on each day's lesson.

The Discipleship Committee

Christian Education Fund Projected Giving for 2022/2023 School Year:

A letter has been placed in your church mailbox along with a Projected Giving Card for the Christian Education Fund for the upcoming 2022/2023 school year. This year we estimate that we will have 15 children utilizing our Christian Education Fund at a cost of approximately \$102,000.

Please place your Projected Giving Card in the box in the church foyer by August 31st. If you have any questions, please contact Ken Wolffis at (231) 519-3686. We would also like to thank the congregation for helping us complete our obligations for the past school year!

Faith Promise 2022-2023

Please prayerfully consider making a Faith Promise financial pledge for the support of our church's seven mission endeavors. The size of your pledge is between you and the Lord.

Appalachia Reach Out, Inez KY
Growing Hope Globally (formerly Foods Resource Bank)
Haiti Foundation Against Poverty
Karin Medical Clinics, Gulu, Uganda
Leah Sweetman, serving in Nicaragua under Resonate Global Missions
Mission India
S.O.S. Ministries, Matamoros Mexico

GriefShare, Tuesday, September 6

Grieving? We welcome anyone who has lost a loved one to attend a GriefShare Group. This 14 week course offers help and support to those grieving. ! \$10.00 fee is for a personal workbook, used to help and guide our healing. There is an open-door policy, so new people can join at any time. However, you are encouraged to attend all sessions. We begin on Tuesday, September 6 from 6:30-8:30pm at First Fremont CRC (&21 Hillcrest, Fremont). Registration online at griefshare.org or (231) 924-2460 is helpful but not required.

Wellspring Adult Day Fundraiser, October 8,

Make Your Reservation! Please come and support the Wellspring Adult Day Services "Fill the Well" Fundraiser Dinner. It will be held on **October 8, 2022**, at 6:30 pm at the Lakes 23 Pavilion. Dinner buffet will include salad, roll, lemon thyme chicken, house smoked brisket, roasted vegetables, potato, and dessert. **Ticket cost: \$60 per person.** We will have items available for a silent auction and yard games. Please call **Tammy Cowley at 231.638.8786** to reserve your seat by September 19.

Offering Information

Our Deacons encourage our support to our congregation's financial obligations through 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: Aug 28 – Fremont Service Committee

Stock the Pantry

For August, the requested food items are macaroni and cheese, tuna, canned meat. They can be dropped off at church or directly at TrueNorth.

The Prayer Corner

Pause and take a look inward....are the fruits of the Spirit evident in your life today? If your answer is "yes" thank the Lord for His abiding presence in your life. If your answer is "no" or a feeling of uncertainty, pray that the Holy Spirit will work in your life and fill you completely.

But the fruit of the Spirit
is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness,
faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.
Against such things there is no law.
Those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the sinful nature
with its passions and desires.

Since we live by the Spirit, let us keep in step with the Spirit.
Let us not become conceited, provoking and envying each other.
Galatians 5: 22-26

Pray that your steps are in step with the Spirit today...not behind, not before, but in step!

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