

SECOND'S MATTERS

August 31, 2022



**Second Church
of Fremont**

Knowing Christ, Making Christ Known

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

Please pray for **John VanHekken**, Mary V. Folkema's father, who is currently at Butterworth Hospital undergoing tests.

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.

Prayer Partners 2022-2023

This is the last week to sign up - please consider being a prayer partner for a student!! Prayer changes things!!

Second/Trinity Cadets 2022-2023

Cadets are in need of adult counselors/helpers for the coming year in order to have meetings. Please contact Ryan Boven (231) 519-2035, if you can help.

FYSH

Parents of 9th-12th graders. FYSH (high school youth group) will be starting up on Sunday, September 11, at Branstrom Park with kickball and hot dogs!

OASIS

Parents of 6th-8th graders: OASIS (middle school youth group) will be meeting at Fremont Christian School gym at 6:30pm. Parents, please come in and sign your student up at this first meeting of the year.

Cookie Makers

Those cookies on Sunday morning are a big hit but we need people to make them. Sign up on the ledge in the coffee area or see Marlene or Doug Frens who are behind that counter every Sunday. They will gladly sign you up!

Trunk or Treat Event

The Outreach Committee is planning a "Trunk or Treat" event on Monday, October 31 in the church parking lot. If you would like to help plan this event, please see Jason DeKuiper.

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

Fall Kickoff Potluck, Sunday September 11, 11:30am

Don't forget to signup for the Fall Kickoff Potluck. The siignup sheet is on a table in the lobby.
Thank you, the Fellowship Committee

Ezekiel Bible Study, September 25

Signup is available for an 8-week Bible study at church on the book of Ezekiel for men and women. It will be starting on Sunday, September 25 and finishing up on Sunday, November 13. Each session will run from 6-7:15pm.

Ezekiel is not a book that we think about studying, but this study titled "An Unexpected Revival: Experiencing God's Goodness through Disappointment and Doubt." by Bible teacher and author/speaker, Erica Wiggernhorn is very timely and relevant for our church right now. "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 and 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 these words, please sign up and come and join us! The signup sheet and a display copy of the book are in the narthex through Sunday, September 11. There is an \$8 cost for each book ordered. Looking forward to studying Ezekiel together!

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 Update

We have received 16 pledges in the amount of \$23,050. Thank you for your prayerful consideration and generosity in supporting the 7 missions we support. We are still accepting pledges so please feel free to return those in the collection plate or put in Tyler Cook's mailbox.

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.

Ferrysburg Community Church, September 10

The Down East Boys and The Hyssongs

You're invited to join us for an evening of Gospel music on Saturday, September 10, at 6:00PM at Ferrysburg Community Church. The Down East Boys are a mainstay in the Gospel industry with classic quarter harmony and songs that have stood the test of time. Dell, Susan and Richard Hyssong combine family vocal harmony, humor and brass instruments to delight audiences with their Christ-centered message, shared through the powerful medium of music. We are located at 17785 Mohawk Drive in Spring Lake. There is no cost to attend, but a free will offering will be taken at the concert.

World Renew Invitation, September 22

World Renew commemorates 60 years of living justice, loving mercy, and serving Christ worldwide. That's why we're inviting you to join us for "Changing Stories Together," a gathering that will take place on September 22nd at the World Renew Building (8970 Byron Commerce Dr. SW., Byron Center, MI 49315) GREET: 6:00 PM with DINNER: 6:50 PM

We will spend this time connecting, eating delicious food, enjoying good entertainment, and hearing how World Renew is reimagining our future together as we continue to work to end global poverty. Please respond by Thursday, September 15th. [LINK to our RSVP Page.](#)

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 for September are: Sept 11 – Resonate Global Missions, Sept 18 – Habitat for Humanity, Sept 25 – Fremont Christian School

Stock the Pantry

For September, the requested food items are peanut butter and jelly. They can be dropped off at church or directly at TrueNorth.

The Prayer Corner

For your quiet meditation, pause and reflect on how faithful God is to you, day in and day out year after year. He never wavers or falters. Instead He's always watching over you, protecting, guiding and keeping you. Take time in prayer to thank Him today.

Psalm 121

I will lift my eyes to the hills
where does my help come from?

My help comes from the Lord,
the Maker of heaven and earth.

He will not let your foot slip—
he who watches over you will not slumber;
indeed, he who watches over Israel will neither slumber or sleep.

The Lord watches over you—
The Lord is your shade at your right hand;
the sun will not harm you by day,
nor the moon by night.

The Lord will keep you from all harm—
he will watch over your life;
the Lord will watch over your coming and going
both now and forevermore.

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