SECOND'S MATTERS September 14, 2022



Sunday, September 11

Pastor Tom Jasperse will be leading us in worship. His sermon 'Gracious Living Is Hard' is based on Matthew 20:1-16.

Our Church Family

Please continue to pray for **John VanHekken**, Mary V. Folkema's father, who is at Butterworth Hospital. He has started chemo but remains in the hospital.

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

Continued prayers for healing and strength for Dave Poel 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.

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!

From the Fellowship Committee

The church owns three roasters that are kept in the kitchen. Presently, two are missing. If you, or you know of someone who borrowed them, would you please return them.

If you wish to borrow any items from the church, please check with the office first to be sure there is not an event planned for that time. This also includes any tables and chairs. There is a sheet on the kitchen counter to sign and date, for you to list what item(s) are being taken and to record when they have been returned.

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.

GEMS, 2022-2023

Calling all girls in grades first through fifth! Gems will be starting! Come and register your daughter Wednesday, September 28 from 6:30-7:30 at Trinity. Our first meeting will be Wednesday, October 5 from 6:30-7:30 at Trinity. See you then! Questions? Contact Kara Buter at 231-750-3999.

OASIS, September 14

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.

Prayer Partners, 2022-2023

Check your box on Sunday, September 18 for information about your kiddo for the year. We will have a Meet and Greet on Sunday, September 25. The goodies for that meeting will be in your box on September 25.

Coffee Break Bible Study, September 20

Coffee Break Bible Study will begin meeting Tuesday, September 20, from 9:30-11 am at Second Christian Reformed Church, 600 Apache Drive. Coffee Break is for women of all ages. No Bible knowledge is necessary. We will be studying 2 Corinthians: Strength for the Weary. Study guides will be passed out at the first meeting. Nursery will be provided. If you desire to "grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ," consider Coffee Break. Questions? Contact Karen Admiraal (335-2285) or Torri Wilkerson(335-0757).

Trunk or Treat Event, October 31

The Outreach Committee is planning a "Trunk or Treat" event on Monday, October 31 in the church parking lot. There is a sign-up sheet in the narthex if you would be willing to hand out candy from your trunk on Halloween night. If you would like to help plan this event, please see Jason DeKuiper.

CROP WALK, 2022

CROP Walk Spaghetti Supper fundraiser sponsored by the Women's Fellowship of the First Congregational Church, 714 Hillcrest Drive - Friday, **September 30** from 5:00 - 6:30 p.m. The menu will consist of Spaghetti & Sauce, garlic bread, salad and dessert. Cost? A donation to the CROP Walk. Please RSVP to the church office at 231-924-4710 or email congo@fremontfcc.org

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.

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. <u>LINK to our RSVP Page</u>.

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 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

Closing out this week's Seconds Matters with a psalm of exaltation for your meditation.

Psalm 24

The earth is the Lord's and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it; for he founded it upon the seas and established it upon the waters.

Who may ascend the hill of the Lord?
Who may stand in his holy place.
He who has clean hands and a pure heart,
who does not lift up his soul to an idol,
or swear by what is false.
He will receive blessing from the Lord
and vindication from God his Savior.
Such is the generation of those who seek him,
who seek your face, O God of Jacob.

Lift up your heads, O you gates, be lifted up, you ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.
Who is this King or glory?
The Lord strong and mighty, the Lord mighty in battle.
Lift up your heads, O you gates, lift them up, you ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.

Who is he, the King of glory?
The Lord Almighty,
he is the King of glory.

Spend time exalting and praising the Lord today and thanking Him for who He is to you!

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