

SECOND'S MATTERS

September 21, 2022



**Second Church
of Fremont**

Knowing Christ, Making Christ Known

Sunday, September 25

Pastor Bob Pohler will be leading us in worship. His sermon 'Who Hates Jesus?' is based on Luke 9:15-62 and texts from John's gospel.

Our Church Family

Please pray for **Wayne Homan** and **Rich Kraley**, who are home under hospice care.

Continued prayers for healing and strength for **Josie Visser** and **John VanHekken**.

Community Announcements

Council meeting, tonight 7pm

All are welcome to come and join the meeting.

Prayer Partners

Plan to meet your student Sunday morning after our service. The students will be in the front of the sanctuary where you can meet and get to know each other. Goodies are in your boxes. Thanks for your participation-prayer does change things!

Salt and Pepper

We all love to eat!! Sign up now for Salt and Pepper dinners/lunches/brunches!!! Get your group together 3 times over the next year- snowbirds, this does not leave you out!! Make new friends over some good food!

From the Library

Last summer there was a display in the narthex with this book: *"Seeking Allah, Finding Jesus: A Devout Muslim Encounters Christianity"* by Nabeel Qureshi and Lee Strobel | Aug 21, 2018 and a review by Sydney Wagenmaker. The book has been gone for several months. If you have it at home, please return it to the book return box in the library. If you have already returned it, thank you for doing so.

Kids Hope, 2022-2023

Do you feel unqualified or unequipped to be a mentor? Children in our community are at a greater need than ever for a consistent, committed, caring adult in their lives. Kids Hope provides training, support, resources and activities to prepare our mentors for the task of connecting with a child one hour per week through the school year. Are you interested in learning more? Contact Chelsea Breuker or Stephanie DeKuiper for more details.

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.

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.

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, October 2, 2022

THE FREMONT HUNGER CROP WALK to fight local and world hunger will be on Sunday, October 2, at 1pm, at the Veterans Memorial Park, downtown Fremont. Registration is at 12:45pm. Walkers can pick up and sign out a donation envelope on the literature ledge in the Second church lobby. Donations and/or envelopes can be placed in Bruce Essebagers' church mailbox.

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

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 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

The September 20th reading from Jesus Listens: Daily Devotional Prayers of Peace, Joy and Hope by Sarah Young serves as a reminder from Pastor Tom Jasperse's message last Sunday that "Gracious Living is Hard".

Splendid Savior,

I come into Your Presence seeking rest. My mind needs a break from its habitual judging. I form judgments about this situation, that situation, this person, that person, even the weather—as if judging were my job description. But the Bible tells me that You created me first and foremost to know You and live in rich communion with You. When I become preoccupied with passing judgment, I usurp Your role. Help me turn away from this sinful attitude and keep turning toward You—living in joyful awareness of Your loving Presence.

Teach me to relate to You as creature to Creator, sheep to Shepherd, subject to King, and clay to Potter. I want You to have Your way in my life more and more. Rather than evaluating Your ways with me, I need to accept them with trust and thankfulness. I realize that the intimacy You offer me is not an invitation to act as if I were Your equal. My heart's desire is to worship you as King of kings while walking hand in hand with you along my life-path.

In Your glorious Name, Jesus

Amen.

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