

SECOND'S MATTERS

October 12, 2022



**Second Church
of Fremont**

Knowing Christ, Making Christ Known

Sunday, October 16

Pastor Cody Statema will be leading us in worship. His sermon 'He Is Alive' is based on Acts 20:7-12.

Our Church Family

Keep **Marian Homan** and her family in prayer following her husband Wayne's death late last week.

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

Jean Sneller is undergoing a nerve block procedure for her back pain today. She would appreciate Second Church's prayers for peace and comfort.

Community Announcements

Mobile Food Truck, Oct 19 – Volunteers needed

On Wednesday, October 19, we will again offer drive-thru pick-up. Recipients will stay in their vehicles, and prepared allotments of food will be placed in their cars. Thankfully, we can serve our community with this vital food resource that is needed more than ever. Volunteers are needed - please sign up by emailing Audra Powell (audrascott@hotmail.com) or on the sheet on the literature ledge. Please arrive by 4:15 to help. If you have plastic bags you would like to donate for the distribution, drop them off at the church office.

Senior Pastor Search Committee

The Search Committee, (Audra Powell, Chris Boven, Charlie DeKryger, Jason DeKuiper, Matt Mellema, Gail Wagenmaker, and Ken Wolffis), has started meeting. If you have potential candidates that you would like to share, please contact a committee member. Please be in prayer for our church, the Council and this committee as this process gets underway.

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.

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.

Fremont Service Committee

The Fremont Service Committee Car Ministry has been an outreach ministry of the Newaygo County Christian Reformed Ministries for many years. This ministry helps applicants with placement of a used cars to help them get to work, assists with repairs to cars they own and assists them in other areas through personal contact and support, as well as outside referrals to additional services. A newsletter telling about this committee's ministry in Newaygo County has been placed in your lobby mailbox along with an informational pamphlet about the Fremont Service Committee.

Crop Walk

Thank you to Second Church for helping to raise \$625.00 to fight local and world hunger in the recent Fremont Crop Walk.

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 October are:

October 16 – Young Life (local)

October 23 – True North

October 20 – Christian Education Fund

Stock the Pantry

For October, the requested food items are canned fruits and vegetables. They can be dropped off at church or directly at TrueNorth.

New Library Books

There is a new selection of fiction books on the table in the lobby. Hope you'll find some good reads for these chilly fall days. But, please remember to check out your books before taking them home and return them to the library when you are finished reading them. That way everyone has the opportunity to enjoy them. Check out sheets are in the lobby and on the tall bookcase in the library.

The Prayer Corner

This morning I read a devotional in Carol Kent's book, *He Holds My Hand: Experiencing God's Presence and Protection* that caught my attention. I would like to share it with you.

"Shaky Times"

"Current news brings too much anxiety. You read of wars, rumors of wars, hurricanes, tsunamis, earthquakes, viruses, antibiotic-resistant bacteria, fluctuating financial markets, political turmoil, racial unrest and demonstrations. Humanly speaking, you have much to fear. But when you read My Word, you'll discover that the world has been on the brink of disaster on numerous occasions. Don't worry or lose hope because nothing can thwart My purposes. When fear begins to make you uneasy, turn your worries into prayers. Speak to Me often about what's going on in your personal life and in the world. Review the word of the psalmist: "The angel of the Lord is a guard: he surrounds and defends all who fear him" (Psalm 34:7). "We will not fear when earthquakes come and the mountains crumble into the sea" (Psalm 46:2). "When I am afraid, I will put my trust in you" (Psalm 56:3). As My Son's return to earth draws near, there will be turmoil in the world. You can choose fear or faith. If you choose faith, you will remind everyone around you that all these signs point to Christ's coming. Let that news make you excited. It won't be long."

"People will be terrified at what they see coming upon the earth...

Then everyone will see the Son of Man coming on a cloud
with power and great glory.

So when all these things begin to happen,
stand and look up, for your salvation is near!" Luke 21: 26-28

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