SECOND'S MATTERS October 26, 2022



Sunday, October 30

Pastor Ron Baker will be leading us in worship. His sermon "A Big Ask: Increasing Our Faith" is based on Luke 17:5-19.

Our Church Family

Continued prayers for healing and strength for Rich Kraley, Josie Visser and John VanHekken.

Please pray for **Louis Deur and family**. Louis is at Butterworth Spectrum under hospice care.

Community Announcements

Property Committee

The Property Committee will meet on Wednesday, October 26th at 7pm.

Shoeboxes for Appalachia Reach Out

It's almost time to fill Christmas shoeboxes for children served by Appalachia Reach Out in Inez, KY! Boxes will be in the narthex starting on Sunday, November 6. You may choose a boy or girl and the age of a child you'd like to shop for. Be sure to pick up a list of suggested items too. Thank you for bringing joy to a child this Christmas with your gift box.

Second Church Family

The Council has asked that members/visitors please sit in the pews close to the front of the church in either the middle or east section (over by the organ) of pews. Thank you

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

Kids Hope has started back up for the school year and we are planning on having the Best Year Ever!!! Please be in prayer for all the mentors and students as they meet each week for their mentor hour. We are grateful to be the hands and feet of Jesus in our local elementary schools! If you are feeling a nudge to be part of this amazing outreach ministry, contact Stephanie DeKuiper or Chelsea Breuker.

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 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 talking 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.

Christmas Decorating Party, November 20

The Fellowship Team welcomes everyone to a Christmas Decorating Party on November 20 at 5pm. We will be assisting the Worship Team with decorating the church and end with a light supper of sloppy joes at 6. There will be a movie for the young children while everyone is working. Also, if you are available after the season, we will need help taking down the decorations. A sign up paper is on the table in the narthex for helpers, how many for dinner and if you will be helping take down. "Many hands make light work!"

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.

Women's Worship Night. November 5

Inspire Church would like to invite the ladies from our church to their Circle of Friends "Women's Worship Night" on Saturday, November 5, 2022 at 6:30 pm. We will be singing hymns, contemporary Christian songs and giving praises to God because He is wonderful. We hope women will come away feeling refreshed and energized in the Lord. All women are welcome!

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 and November are:

October 30 - Christian Education Fund

November 6 - World Renew

November 13 – Bethany Christian Services

November 20 – Fremont Christian School

November 27 – Western Michigan Christian High School

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.

Prayer Corner

"God awaits eagerly for us, His spiritual children, to come to Him in prayer.

This is the Creator God who, in spite of our sin and self-centeredness, has done so much for us. As incredible as it seems.

God wants our fellowship!"

Bill Bright

"Prayer is simply asking God to do for us what He has promised to do if we ask Him."

E.M. Bounds

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