

## **SECOND'S MATTERS**

January 4, 2023



**Second Church  
of Fremont**

*Knowing Christ, Making Christ Known*

### **Sunday, January 8, 2023**

Pastor David Brower will be leading us in worship. His message is "A New Year's Benediction" is based on Numbers 6:22-27.

### **Pre-Service Prayer**

Everyone is invited to join with others in the Fireside Room/Library at 9:05 am each Sunday morning for prayer. We share requests, read a portion of scripture, and have a time of silent and verbal prayer. Praying silently or out loud is your choice and no one is made to feel uncomfortable. If this is something you would like to try, please join us. We want you to know how welcome you will be.

**Greeters Sunday**, January 8, 2023 are Jim and Darlene Beadle

**Just a reminder:** 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

**The Community Evening Worship:** January 8, 5:00pm. .

### **Our Church Family**

Pray for **Jennifer McDonnell** who will be having outpatient surgery this Thursday, January 5.

Pray for **Sherry Lue's sister Kim** who has been diagnosed with stage 4 cancer.

Pray for **Maddie Folkema's** grandfather who has been diagnosed with throat cancer.

Please keep **Wyatt Kaastra, Mike and Sylvia DeKuiper's** grandson, in your prayers as he begins his treatment for the form of non-hodgkins lymphoma which he was recently diagnosed with.

Pray for **John Van Hekken** that his body will continue to respond to the treatments for his cancer.

### **Community Announcements**

#### **Ezekiel Bible Study, January 8**

The Ezekiel Bible Study will resume meeting this Sunday, January 8, at 6pm, with Chapter 18. We will be meeting in the room by the coffee counter upstairs.

#### **Coffee Break**

Coffee Break Bible Study will resume meeting Tuesday, January 10, at 9:30 am at the Second Christian Reformed Church, 600 Apache Drive. Coffee Break is for all women, those who have little or no Bible knowledge as well as those with many years of Bible study. We will begin a study of the book of Psalms: Hope When We're Hurting. Study guides will be available at the first meeting. Please note: No child care is available. Questions? Contact Karen Admiraal (231-335-2285) or Torrie Wilkinson (231-335-0757). Hope to see you then.

#### **Mobile Food Truck, January 18, 2023 – Volunteers needed**

On Wednesday, January 18, 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



## **Pancake Breakfast, January 22**

The Fellowship Team invites the congregation to a Pancake breakfast following the January 22 service. Pancakes with various toppings, eggs and sausage will be served at 11:30 AM. Please sign up on the table in the lobby so we can plan on how many to serve.

## **Ukrainian Update**

We currently have all five team positions filled, along with a number of volunteers to come along side and support them in their roles. The profile of our group and information on our church and the community was provided, along with a group picture. Going forward we plan on submitting our profile and start corresponding with eligible Ukrainians by January 15th. Once we submit our profile, we wait for a family to contact us and then we correspond back and forth with different families until we feel we have a good match. At that point we gather information from them, along with our information and submit it all to Dept of Homeland Security, we then have 90 days to get them to Fremont. Once they arrive, please prayerfully consider both lending a helping hand where needed and continue to pray that we will find the family that the Lord has chosen us to support. If you have any questions, please feel free to call Charlie DeKryger (231) 519-2170.

## **Calvin January Series, 2023**

The January Series lectures will be live video streamed at the Dogwood Center, 4734 S. Campus Court, Fremont, from 12:30-1:30p Monday through Friday, January 9-27. The lectures are free and open to the public. The Black Box will be available for seating and attendees may bring their lunch. View the speaker schedule at [www.dogwoodcenter.com](http://www.dogwoodcenter.com) and pick out which one you would like to attend. Speakers:

Mon, Jan 9 – Sara Hendren: "What Can the Body Do?"

Tues, Jan 10 – Monica Guzman: "Reclaiming Curiosity in Divided Times"

Wed, Jan 11 – Nate Mook: "The Urgent Pursuit to Nourish the World"

Thurs, Jan 12 – Kyle Meygaard-Schaap: "Following Jesus in a Warming World"

Fri, Jan 13 – Amy Kenny: "My Body is Not a Prayer Request"

Mon, Jan 16 – Greg Thompson: "To Stick with Love: King's Vision for Today's Movement"

Tues, Jan 17 – Kaia Kater: "Song selections"

Wed, Jan 18 – Noah Toly: "Learning Together, Living Together: What the World Needs from Christian Liberal Arts Education"

## **WMC Job Offer**

Western Michigan Christian is seeking a long term sub for High School Spanish and Film Studies beginning in mid-March. The ideal candidate must be able to speak Spanish and will need to register with EduStaff. For more information, please contact Jennifer Lewis, Director of Curriculum and Instruction at [mrslewis@wmchs.net](mailto:mrslewis@wmchs.net).

## **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 January are:*

*January 8 – Community Closet*

*January 15 – Western Michigan Christian High School*

*January 22 – Crossroads Bible Institute*

*January 29 – Cadets (main office)*

## **Stock the Pantry**

For January, the requested food items are cereal, pancake mix, and syrup. Items can be dropped off at church or directly at TrueNorth.

## **Prayer Corner**

As you spend time in prayer this pray, pray for Pastor David Brower, who will be preaching at Second Church on Sunday, January 8 and is being considered as an interim pastor to handle preaching responsibilities.

Words from the Psalms for a new year...

Psalm 66: 5-6

Come and see what God has done,  
how awesome his works in man's behalf!  
He turned the sea into dry land,  
they passed through the waters on foot—  
come, let us rejoice in him.

Psalm 66: 16-17

Come and listen, all you who fear God;  
let me tell you what he has done for me.  
I cried out to him with my mouth;  
his praise was on my tongue.

Psalm 69: 30

I will praise God's name in song  
and glorify him with thanksgiving.

Psalm 80: 17-19

Let your hand rest on the man at your right hand,  
the son of man you have raised up for yourself.  
Then we will not turn away from you;  
revive us, and we will call on your name.

Restore us, O Lord God Almighty;  
make your face shine upon us,  
that we may be saved.

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