

SECOND'S MATTERS May 3, 2023

Sunday, May 7, 2023

Pastor Dave Brower will be leading us in worship. His message "Christian Character - Purity" is based on Psalm 199:1-11 and II Corinthians 6:14-7:1. We will be celebrating the Lord's Supper during the worship service. The greeters are Dave and Chris Breuker

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.

Sunday, May 7 - Community Worship Service at 5:00p at First CRC

Our Church Family

Bev Kolk has moved to Green Acres. She is in Room 205. Her phone number is 924-3715.

Community Announcements

End-of-Year Potluck, May 7, 2023

End of year activities Potluck Sunday, May 7, 11:30 am. If you forgot or did not get a chance to sign up for the Potluck, there is still room for you at the table. Come with your family and bring either a main or salad dish. See you there for some great fellowship!

Congregational Meeting, May 17, 2023

Our annual Congregational Meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 17, 2023, at 7 pm. The council is seeking the approval of the following council members. Bryan Van Soelen as elder, Jody Cook and Bob Hayward as deacons. John Mellema and Ken Wolffis will be extending their terms for one more year and Dave Poel will be completing a two year term. The council will be going to 11 members this year, 5 elders and 6 deacons because we could not fill the elder position. The 2023-2024 budget will be presented for approval.

Women's Getaway, July 29

Women's Getaway at the Shack, July 29th: Ladies, come and join in the fellowship, small group and contemplative study about <u>Finding Joy in the Chaos: Exploring Gratitude!</u> For those of you who attended last year's Women's Morning Getaway, we've listened to your feedback remarks and are planning a morning of fun interactions, additional small group time together, as well as giving you time to be with the Lord "one-on-one" in His creation on the Shack grounds! Come, celebrate and strengthen your faith "In JOY" with other women from the community! We'll have more information for you in the coming weeks regarding registration, invitation for a guest, child care and transportation options to the Shack.

Set aside **July 29**th **8:30am – noon** for worshipping God for the JOY He brings in your life and come share that JOY with others! Your Second CRC Planning Committee

New Books for the Library

There are some great new reads in the library. There are Christian fiction and non-fiction titles ready to be checked out and enjoyed. Please sign out your choices before taking them home. If you haven't stepped into the library lately, please do so. We added a nice assortment of puzzles to the collection this winter. Anytime is a good time for a puzzle or a good book!

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 May are:

May 7 – Young Life
May 14 – Karin Medical Clinic
May 21 – Fremont Christian School

Stock the Pantry

For May, the requested food items are spaghetti sauce, pasta, and rice fruit. Items can be dropped off at church or directly at TrueNorth.

Prayer Corner

National Day of Prayer Gathering Second CRC - Thursday, May 4, 7pm

"If my people who are called by my name will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, I will hear form heaven, will forgive their sins and will heal their land". 11 Chronicles 7:14

Second Church members and friends, please join with us in prayer on the National Day of Prayer this Thursday, May 4, as together we come before the Lord because we love Him and know that He is the only answer to the sins in our hearts, the sins in our communities, nation and world. While no one can deny that we are living in perilous times, remember that our hope is in God alone. He is our rock and our salvation. He is the one to whom we cling and He is the one who gives us the victory in steady and perilous days. We are not alone for God is on our side.

"So, do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand." Isaiah 41: 10

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