SECOND'S MATTERS July 26, 2023



Sunday, July 30, 2023

Pastor Dave Brower will be leading us in worship. His message "Christian Character – Humility" is based on Philippians 2:1-11. The greeters will be Nick and Liz Donkersloot.

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, July 30 - Community Worship Service at 5:00p at First CRC

Our Church Family

Congratulations to Marion Veenstra, who is 100 birthday TODAY!. Her address is: 2500 Breton Woods Dr. #5015, Grand Rapids, MI 49512 if you would like to send her a card.

Please continue to pray for **Melanie DeKryger**, **Jim Beadle**, **Gaylen Byker**, **and John Van Hekken** as they recover from their respective surgeries and treatments.

Community Announcements

Council has recommended to the congregation that Adam Sculnick be installed as an Elder until he completes his schooling as a Pastoral Candidate. Upon completion, he would be eligible to receive a call to become our pastor.

Women's Getaway, July 29th

Ladies, we are **days away** from our time together on Saturday morning for <u>Finding Joy in the Chaos: Exploring Gratitude!</u> A friendly reminder to dress comfortably for the weather, as we will be in the pavilion and enjoying the beautiful grounds at The Shack!

We'll be ready for check-in at Second CRC for Child Care <u>as early as 8:00am</u>, as well as at The Shack for the Ladies to receive their Getaway Packets (and refreshments) before starting our morning's activities around 8:30am!

Be Joyful Always..... See you Saturday morning!!!

Church Picnic, August 6

Our church picnic is Sunday August 6, following the morning service at Veterans Memorial Park at 12 PM, downtown Fremont. We also want to welcome the Sculnick and Platzer families to Fremont and this will be a great way to get to know them better.

Please sign up in the lobby to help us plan. We will be grilling hamburgers and hot dogs and ask that those families attending bring a side dish/salad if your last name starts with A-M or a dessert if last name starts with N-Z. See you there!

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION FUND:

Thank you for helping us to achieve our financial goal for the past school year! Please check your church mailbox for a letter and a pledge card for the 2023/2024 school year. Please place your pledge card in the box in the church foyer by August 31st. This year we anticipate at least 17 children utilizing this fund at a cost of approximately \$90,000. If you have any questions, please contact Ken Wolffis at (231) 519-3686.

After Dark: The Life and Times of John Calvin, by Stan Sturing

You are invited to an enacted retelling of the life and times of John Calvin by Stan Sturing at the Calvin Theological Seminary Chapel (3233 Burton St. SE) on Thursday, July 27 and Friday, July 28 at 7:30 p.m. and Saturday, July 29 at 2:30 p.m. Suggested donation of \$10.00 per adult.



Click <u>here</u> for more information

Letter from Wellspring

Wellspring Adult Day Services, a mission of Reeman CRC, is growing and we are opening an additional day and we are hoping to get the word out! Click Wellspring.docx for information.

CADETS

ATTENTION ALL SPORTSMEN: The Calvinist Cadet Corps is hosting its 9th Annual Sporting Clay Shoot. The event will be held on Saturday, August 19 at the Blendon Pines Gun Club in Zeeland, Michigan. For more information, call the Corps office at 616-241-5616 ext 1, or check out the Cadet website under the "Events" tab. Everyone is welcome! Registration forms are available on our website: www.calvinistcadets.org. Lunch will be served at 11:30 am. Join us for a fun filled day! If you can't make it out for the event, but still want to be involved, sponsorship opportunities are available. For more information on giving, contact Kim at the Corps office number listed above, or find information on our website on the event page.

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 July are:

July 30 - Fremont Christian School

Stock the Pantry

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

Prayer Corner

This morning the chorus of this old hymn came to me. I haven't thought of it since I was a child. It's very possible that many of you have never heard of this hymn before, but I share it because the words are as true today in 1923 as they were 99 years ago when they were written! Take time to read the lines and meditate on them. May they be the prayer of your heart every day.

Wonderful, Wonderful, Jesus Is to Me

by Haldor Lillenas in 1924

O My Heart Sings Today, Sings For Joy And Gladness, Jesus Saves, Satisfies, Banishes My Sadness; Guilt Is Gone, Peace Is Mine, Peace Like To A River, Jesus Is Wonderful, Mighty To Deliver.

Once A Slave, Now I'm Free, Free From Condemnation, Jesus Gives Liberty And A Full Salvation; Now The Sins Of The Past Have Been All Forgiven, And My Name Is Inscribed On The Book Of Heaven.

Wonderful, Wonderful, Jesus Is To Me, Counsellor, Prince Of Peace, Mighty God Is He; Saving Me, Keeping Me From All Sin And Shame, Wonderful Is My Redeemer, Praise His Name!

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