

SECOND'S MATTERS

July 5, 2023



**Second Church
of Fremont**

Knowing Christ, Making Christ Known

Sunday, July 9, 2023

Pastor Tom Jasperse will be leading us in worship. His message "It Really Works!" is based on Psalm 19:1-4, 7-14 and Hebrews 4:12-13. The greeters will be Bryan and Michele Van Soelen.

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 9 - Community Worship Service at 5:00p at First CRC

There will be no **Prayer Guides** or **Prayer Corners** for the first weeks in July due to vacation plans. They will resume the last week in July.

Our Church Family

Our deepest sympathies go out to **Pat DeKuiper**, whose husband **Stan**, passed away. His funeral will be Thursday, July 6 at 11am. Visitation will be from 10-11am before the funeral at Second CRC. Please keep the DeKuiper family in your prayers as they go through this difficult time.

David and Alvera Kidder would like to thank all those who extended prayers, cards, and phone calls after the death of our brother **Jim Kidder**. We really appreciate "The Family of God"

Please keep **Melanie DeKryger** in your prayers as she recovers at home while waiting for the doctors direction going forward.

John Van Hekken is back home after another chemotherapy treatment. Please continue to pray for healing, strength and courage for John and strength for his wife Elsa.

Gaylen Byker is doing very well with so much leg strength returning each day.

Community Announcements

Highlights from the June 4, 7, 11, 21 and 25, 2023 Council Meetings

- Reviewed possible scenarios for hiring Adam Sculnick, the schedule for his visit to Fremont, possible moving expenses, financial package, finalized wording for his contract, discussed mentors for his time with us as stated supply
- Council interviewed Adam after the congregational Question and Answer Meeting
- Reviewed our role in the July 2 Outdoor Community Service
- Reviewed the budget with regards to monies spent on the roof and parking lot
- Approved a motion to let persons with a valid Concealed Pistol License (CPL) utilize that license on all church properties
- Reviewed Ministry Team reports
- Approved Amber MacLean for the position of Shared Ministry Combined Director of Youth
- Approved July prayer vigil

If you have any questions, please talk to a council member and remember you are always welcome to attend our meetings.

Mobile Food Truck, July 19, 2023 – Volunteers needed

On Wednesday, July 19, we will again offer 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



Cookies for Sunday morning Coffee Time

If you haven't had a chance to sign up to bring cookies for Sunday morning coffee time, please place your name on the list. It is conveniently setting on the counter by the coffee. Our summer attendance is larger, and we need two people on each Sunday. If you would like to help with the coffee time please talk with one of the people serving on Sunday mornings.

Women's Getaway, July 29

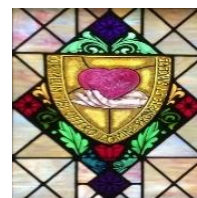
Set aside **July 29th 8:30am – noon** to join us for time to thank God and praise Him for the JOY He brings to your life!

For Men and Youth: As the Ladies are looking forward to having a morning Getaway at The Shack, we're calling for men and youth available on and willing to set aside Saturday morning to serve as volunteers for Child Care at Second CRC. Volunteers will be able to elect timeframes in **one hour increments** based on your availability July 29th between 8am-12pm. Child Care Volunteers will be contacted by July 8th based on our Getaway registration deadline of July 1st. Refreshments will be provided for you and the children under your care that morning! To receive more information, please contact Heather Love (In-person after service, 269-680-1128 or laponsie.spitfire.heather@gmail.com), as we'd appreciate your assistance and welcome your name on our Child Care Volunteer List!

Your Second CRC Women's Getaway Planning Committee,
Jody, Heather, Alvera, Gretchen, Jane, Bette

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 [here](#) for more information



The Nest

The Nest Resale Shop, downtown Fremont, is in need of more volunteer help. If you have a heart for Christian education, how about giving a little time to support our local schools. You can choose an area that fits your abilities and interests. For example, right now we could use another helper in our linen department. Please stop in at the store for an application and more information.

Ball Brothers Free Concert, Sunday July 16

Ferrysburg Community Church is presenting a free concert featuring the Ball Brothers. The Ball Brothers work to spread the message of the Gospel and encourage believers by proceeding a mix of musical styles, melded together by four-part harmony. Mark your calendars, you're invited to join us on Sunday, July 16, at 6:00PM at 17785 Mohawk Drive in Spring Lake for their final concert before retirement. No tickets are required and a free will offering will be taken. Doors will open at 5PM. Please share this event with your friends and family! Contact the church at 616-842-3880 or the Schaafs at 231-206-2964 with additional questions.

Bible League's Conference / Retreat for men and women

Join us on Friday, September 8, 2023, in Byron Center for the 'Growing Inward-Reaching Outward' conference. Best selling author, Carol Kent's life turned upside down when their only child was sentenced for murder. Carol shares from God's Word and her family's experience in growing an enduring faith and impacting the world for Christ. Registration and more information can be found at Bibleleague.org/tickets

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 9 – Wellspring Adult Day Services

July 16 – True North 'Tools for School'

July 23 – Community Closet

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.

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