

SECOND'S MATTERS

September 27, 2023



**Second Church
of Fremont**

Knowing Christ, Making Christ Known

Sunday, October 1

Pastor Adam Sculnick will be leading us in worship. His message is "New Plans, Bad Plans, and Undeserved Grace" based on Jonah 1:4-12.

We will be celebrating the Lord's Supper.

Hope Okeny will be speaking during the morning worship.

The greeters will be Phil and Judy Deur.

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, October 1- Community Worship Service at 5:00p at First CRC.

Our Church Family

From Pastor Adam

"Hey family,

I am so very, very excited because this letter will have 2 very big things, one of which I've been teasing about for a month already.

The first is this: Mission Monday is a few weeks away and I cannot wait to get started, but I wanted to take a minute and address something that I've noticed seems to be on many people's minds. Us doing GEMS and CIA as Second Church and not joining the community's shared GEMS or Cadets is not us standing in opposition to those programs. We are not taking sides against them or competing for attendance. There needs to be more programs about Jesus not less for kids to attend. With that idea in mind I have two things: first the reason it's called Mission Monday is that it is a mission-oriented program. What that means is that it isn't geared towards just kids that know Jesus who are already in our churches but is a missional opportunity to engage the community. There are so many families in Fremont alone who don't know Christ and this is how we begin to reach them. Second, if you have kids who love the cadets program or love one of the other gems programs then by all means go to those. We aren't asking you to choose. Go to all the programs, or go to one or the other; that is totally up to you and your family but our encouragement to you is that there are already programs reaching kids for Christ and now there are more of those to explore and enjoy. If you still have questions, please don't hesitate to connect with myself or with Amber and we'd love to answer them for you. We hope we will see you and your kids at Mission Monday. To register them, [click here](#).

The second big thing this week is that 938Fest is coming to Second Church on October 31st. What is 938Fest? It is last year's trunk-or-treat, but with the volume turned way up. 938Fest will be an event for kids all over Fremont to get their candy in one place as well as a place to get fun face paint, hear live music, check in with a pastor about literally anything at our Ask Me Anything tent, win some great prizes, be prayed over, take a hayride, jump in a bounce house, and have dinner on us! What is the "938" part of 938Fest you ask? Well if you grab a bible and find your way to Matthew 9:38, you'll find our mission statement for an event that I hope becomes an annual way for us to serve the community and introduce people to the love of Jesus and to our church family. And after sharing all of that excitement, all I can say is wow, what a blessing it is to serve this church. I'm so thankful to be your pastor. God bless you all until I see you Sunday.

Hidden in Christ,
Pastor Adam"

Community Announcements

Property Committee

The property committee will be meeting TONIGHT at 7pm.

Karin Medical Clinic, Sunday, October 1

Hope Okeny, director of the Karin Medical Clinics in Gulu, Uganda and her husband and daughter will be at Second Church next Sunday morning. They will also be visiting Trinity and 1st CRC the same morning. You'll want to hear Hope share how the services of the clinics have expanded and how more villagers are receiving the medical care they need.

CROP WALK, Sunday, October 1

The Fremont Hungaer CROP Walk to fight local and world hunger will be on Sunday, October 1 at 1:00pm at the Veterans Memorial Park, downtown Fremont. Registration is at 12:45pm. Walkers can pick up and sign out a donation envelope which is on the literature ledge in the lobby of Second. Donations and/or envelopes can be placed in Bruce Essebagers' church mailbox.

Bible Study, October 15

We can't change the whole world, but we can change something!! Join us for a 6 week study of "The Hole in Our Gospel" to find out how. Sunday evening from 6:00-7:15 beginning October 15. All supplies are provided. Sign up and pick up a book in the foyer.

Harvest Table

If you have garden produce you are willing to share, please bring it to church on Sunday morning and place it on the harvest table in the lobby. Members and guests are invited to take it home.

Kid's Hope

Second Church has the unique opportunity to be a blessing to a child in our local elementary schools. If you have one hour, once a week throughout the school year to share you could be that blessing! Our Kids Hope program is urgently in need of more adults to mentor students in 1st-5th grades for this school year. Please see Chelsea Breuker or Stephanie DeKuiper for further details.

ARO Shoe Boxes

It's not too early to think about filling shoeboxes for Appalachia Reach Out in Inez, KY! The beginning of another school year is a perfect time to also pick up school supplies for your Christmas shoes boxes. We'll let you know later when the boxes will be available.

Bible League Volunteers

Singers wanted! 3rd annual Ole Fashion Hymn Sing Saturday, October 7th @ 7:00 pm to be held at The Shack 2263 W 14th, White Cloud. in either the OK Corral or The Livery, depending on weather. Free will offering for Bible League to provide Bibles to waiting Christians. Sweet treats to follow provided by The Shack.

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 Oct 1 – Ferris State Campus Ministry

Oct 8 – Young Life

Oct 15 – True North

Oct 22 – Bethany Christian Services

Oct 29 – Fremont Christian School

Stock the Pantry

For September, the requested food items are peanut butter and jelly. Items can be dropped off at church or directly at TrueNorth.

Prayer Corner

At this harvest season think about what Luke 10: 2 *(HCSB) says about the spiritual harvest.

He told them:

“The harvest is abundant, but the workers are few.
Therefore, pray to the Lord of the harvest
to send out workers into His harvest.”

Yes, friends, the harvest is plentiful in Fremont and in surrounding communities. There are more unchurched people than those who attend church. People need to know about Jesus. He is calling us to be His ambassadors into our communities and to show the love of Christ in our actions and words to those we see each day and to those we might see only once and possibly never again.

Jesus also commands (not suggests) that we **pray**. The work before us as a family of believers is great and cannot be accomplished without much prayer. This is also something each one of us needs to do.

Will you be in prayer for our local communities
that our church will be a beacon of light to
point people to Jesus?

*Holman Christian Study Bible

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