SECOND'S MATTERS October 18, 2023



Sunday, October 22

Pastor Adam Sculnick will be leading us in worship. His message is "Uncanny Prayers from An Underserving Prophet" based on Jonah 2:1-10.

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 22- Community Worship Service at 5:00p at First CRC.

Our Church Family

Change of address:

Bev Kolk, 5433 S Luce Ave, Fremont MI 49412

Even though Bev continues to reside at Green Acres, she is unable to see or respond to any of her mail. Her son, Roger, is now handling all her mail and bills and will bring it to her and read it to her.

Community Announcements

Mobile Food Truck, October 18, 2023 – Volunteers needed

TODAY October 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. <u>Volunteers are needed</u> - 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



From Fellowship Committee

The Fellowship Team is in need of three drivers for the two Deerfield and Dallas Homes residents that attend our church. You would drive one month a year (four Sundays). Right now there are three months open as we have people that have moved from our church. Please contact Nanci Nieboer for more information and to sign up.

We also need drivers for two senior women from our church that no longer drive themselves. Mary Boven is setting up that schedule so please contact her for more information.

There will also be a sign up sheet out for you to sign up and either Nanci or Mary will contact you.

Don't forget to bake those cookies. See the ladies in charge of coffee to sign up for a Sunday.

Please keep the following dates on your calendars:

November 19: Thanksgiving dinner for all November 26: Church decorating party December 5: A women's Tea.

More information will be given later.

All Church Thanksgiving Dinner, November 19

The Fellowship Team invites the congregation to Thanksgiving dinner on November 19 at 11:30. We will be serving ham and rolls and ask that you sign up to bring a side or salad. The sign up sheet is on the table in the lobby so please add your name, how many will be attending and what you will be bringing so we can determine how many hams will be needed. Thank you.

Kid's Hope

Our local schools are urgently requesting mentors!!! We currently have a kindergartner, two 3rd graders and three 4th graders on our waitlist for mentors at this time. The impact from the mentors Second Church is sending into our local schools is recognized and more caring adults are needed. Please prayerfully consider being a light in our local community by sharing one hour of your week through Kids Hope.

Volunteers for Outreach

The Outreach committee is seeking volunteers for the 938Fest being held in our church parking lot on Tuesday October 31. There are two sign-up sheets in the narthex. One is to decorate your vehicle and hand out candy. The second is to help doing various other things the day of the event. We would ask volunteers to arrive around 5 with a 5:30 start time. We are also asking for candy donations. There is a bin in the lobby where candy can be placed. Thank you for your consideration.

Save the Date:

October 28 from 9-12 we will be having a workday at Fremont Christian School, and would love to have some volunteers to help. Meet at the maintenance shed (208 Hillcrest, by the parking lot) and we will divide and conquer. We will be wrapping up some projects for the Outdoor Education Program at the new Earth Keeper Classroom, and working on getting the hoop house ready for winter. Please contact Jon Wolffis with any questions: 231-519-3689.

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.

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: <u>Online Giving.</u> If you wish to give to Christian Education or Faith Promise online, then download the "GivePlus" app.

Special envelope offerings for: Oct 22 – Bethany Christian Services

Oct 29 – Fremont Christian School

Stock the Pantry

For October, the requested food items are canned fruit and vegetables. Items can be dropped off at church or directly at TrueNorth.

Prayer Corner

Autumn is a beautiful time of the year and one that we all enjoy! There are changing colors, cooler temperatures, harvests, pumpkins, cinnamon donuts, cider, football and soccer games and much, much more. It's a time to give thanks for the bounty that God provides.

Today in the Prayer Corner you are being invited to step out of your comfort zone and take your joy for this season to a new level. After all, "stepping out of your comfort zone" is just that...trying something new, something that is beyond your everyday routine activities and thoughts.

Here's your invitation to step out:

* Take a prayer walk outside and for everything you see, give thanks. It's a good time for quiet prayer, meditation and reflection and a time for observing what is around you. Nature gives you so much for which to praise God.

* After you finish your walk write out words of praise to God for His creation and then offer a prayer of gratitude for all of His gifts.

Thanks to God for My Redeemer August Ludwig Storm, J. A. Hultman

Thanks to God for my Redeemer, Thanks for all Thou dost provide! Thanks for times now but a memory Thanks for Jesus by my side! Thanks for pleasant, cheerful springtime, Thanks for summer, winter, fall! Thanks for tears by now forgotten, Thanks for peace within my soul!

Thanks for prayers that Thou hast answered, Thanks for what Thou dost deny! Thanks for storms that I have weathered, Thanks for all Thou dost supply! Thanks for pain, and thanks for pleasure, Thanks for comfort in despair! Thanks for grace that none can measure, Thanks for love beyond compare!

Thanks for roses by the wayside, Thanks for thorns their stems contain! Thanks for homes and thanks for fireside, Thanks for hope, that sweet refrain! Thanks for joy and thanks for sorrow, Thanks for heavenly peace with Thee! Thanks for hope in the tomorrow, Thanks thro' all eternity!

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