

SECOND'S MATTERS

October 4, 2023



**Second Church
of Fremont**

Knowing Christ, Making Christ Known

Sunday, October 8

Pastor Adam Sculnick will be leading us in worship. His message is "An Unlikely Vessel for Undeserved Grace" based on Jonah 1:13-17

The greeters will be Tyler and Jody Cook

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

Our Church Family

From Pastor Adam

"Hey Second Family,

It's been a busy week and it is only getting busier around here. It brings me so much joy to see what God is doing in the life of our church. As I mentioned Sunday, 938Fest is going to be a very exciting time for us as we reach the community in a variety of wonderful, Gospel-spreading ways. We need everyone's help to do it though, so please pray about either being part of the trunk-or-treat with a decorated trunk, or volunteering to help the day of the event. Also, if you haven't signed up your kiddos for Mission Monday, it is not too late. Boys and girls in 1-8th grade will find a ton of fun and a place to belong with our new CIA Boys Club and GEMS Girls Club programs that begin this coming Monday. [Click here to see more and to sign up.](#) You won't want your kids to miss it, I promise. Just a quick update on my schedule, I will be out of the office beginning next Monday and not back in until the following Tuesday as I will be in Grand Rapids for a required time of on-campus learning at Calvin Seminary. This will not impact my time on Sundays as we gather for worship together and I'll be reachable by phone so don't hesitate to connect with me if you need something, I just won't be around the office at all. That's it for me for now, I pray that God has blessed you in this season of changing leaves and changing weather and I look forward to gathering again this coming Sunday to continue our study of Undeserved Grace in the book of Jonah.

Hidden in Christ,

Pastor Adam"

We are thrilled every year when October 13 rolls around! It marks the 15th anniversary of Jud's kidney transplant! My brother, the donor, is doing very well also! We give God all the glory for this precious gift of life! Thank you, Jesus!

Jud and Evie Afman

Marian Homan's son, Jeff Homan, had a mini-stroke Sunday night. He is home recovering but the doctors have found a few other medical concerns. Please pray for healing and guidance for Jeff and all the Homan family.

Karen Admiraal's grandson, Kyle, the 12 year old son (the older of the twins) of daughter Rachel, is undergoing surgery tomorrow to implant a neurostimulator into his brain that hopefully will lessen and eventually completely do away with seizures he's been having for many years. Please pray for peace, successful surgery and patience during a time of recovery.

Community Announcements

Highlights from the August and September 2023 Council Meetings

- The *Covenant for Office-bearers* was signed by all present.
- We finalized the support/advisory team for Pastor Adam.
- We began setting goals for 2023-2024.
- We passed a motion to have our own GEMS Club and CIA Boys Club at our church on Monday evenings.

- Bob Hayward and Mariel Poel will be council representatives at Muskegon Classis along with Pastor Adam on September 28.
- We passed a motion brought by the deacons to use offering boxes by the sanctuary doors instead of passing the collection plates. The noisy coin will continue.
- The council will meet on November 5 to work on our church vision and mission.
- The front doors will remain unlocked but monitored during the worship services. The side and lower-level doors will continue to be locked once the service starts.

Addition to 2023 directory

Mike Love email: mikelove82@gmail.com

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.



Friday, October 13

Fremont Christian wanted to invite you and your entire congregation to our fall community event on Friday, October 13th! There will be games for all ages, music, food trucks, and even a car/truck/equipment show! We'd love to have you join us!

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.

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 8 – Young Life

Oct 15 – True North

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

Today's prayer corner will take a bit of a different turn from the usual format. Use these prompts in ways that work best for you as you seek to walk with the Lord each day.

Prayer Reflections

about God

- Tell God how much you love Him and praise Him for who He is. God should be the focus of this "praise only" prayer.

about Scripture

- Pastor Adam has had us pray the Lord's Prayer in unison each Sunday. Now copy the Lord's Prayer from Matthew 6: 9-13 and then rewrite the prayer using your own words. When you are finished, pray the prayer to the Lord.

about Yourself

- List out your priorities or the decisions you must make this week. Give them to God and ask Him to lead you every step of the way.
- Surrender all of your thoughts to the Lord by writing out a prayer giving yourself to Him. Feel free to list things you hold the most dear and hold them up to Him with open hands and full trust, relinquishing them to Him.

about Gratitude

- Write out a list of thanks for everyday things, those things you likely take for granted. Now, in the quietness, pray the list to God. When you are struggling with things outside of your control, this type of prayer works wonders. God is always ready and eager to give you His guidance.

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