

SECOND'S MATTERS

November 1, 2023



**Second Church
of Fremont**

Knowing Christ, Making Christ Known

Sunday, November 5

Pastor Adam Sculnick will be leading us in worship. His message is "Unwarranted Anger Earns Undeserved Grace" based on Jonah 4:1-8. Greeters are Brad and Vicki Gilliland. We will be celebrating the Lord's Supper.

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

Our Church Family

"Hey family!

Wow! All I can say is wow! What an amazing evening we had last night at 9:38FEST. Over 500 people came through and enjoyed an event that could only have been possible by the grace of God and the commitment of our church family, your commitment. dozens of you came together to help in so many ways and it warmed my heart the entire night to watch it happening. Everything from the music and trunks, hayride and bounce house outside, to the meal served and fellowship happening inside went smoothly and I hope I'm not the first to say, to God be the Glory. Truly we saw something special happen at our church last night and the mission isn't over. As I shared in our staff meeting this morning, the verses preceding Matthew 9:38 tell of all the hard work Jesus put in preaching the kingdom of God, sharing the good news with all the towns and villages in the area to prepare the field for seeds to grow. Then in verses 9:37-38 He tells the disciples that the harvest is plentiful but the workers are few and to ask the Lord of the harvest to send workers. He went before the 12 to prepare the field and He did the same in Fremont to prepare for us a successful event, and then the event happened and we now have to "harvest" the field. There are lots of emails to send to all the people who came through last night and I cannot wait to see what God is going to do with these connections. If you aren't already, make sure you are following us on Facebook and Instagram so that you can see all the great photos from last night. God bless each of you in the rest of your week and I look forward to gathering with you Sunday to worship together and to celebrate the Lord's Supper.

**Hidden In Christ,
Pastor Adam"**

Wayne Vogel has been transferred to Mary Free Bed and will be starting rehab today. He is slowly getting better. Thank you for all the prayers.

Change of Address

Karen Admiraal

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New Phone number: Marian Homan – (231) 225-2314

Community Announcements

The church will be opened at 1 pm Friday, November 3 and Friday, November 10.

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.

Christmas Shoeboxes for Appalachia Reach Out

It's Christmas shoebox time. Get your shoebox while they last! Check out the display which will be up by Sunday, November 5th, grab one or more boxes, a list of suggested items and the grade of the boy or girl you are buying for. We will have a Bible verse for each box and are asking that you place it just inside the cover, so the first thing the child sees is God's Word, just for them!

Boxes must be returned no later than Saturday, November 25th in order to be included in this year's shipment to ARO in Inez, KY. You do not need to wrap individual items, but please wrap the shoebox itself and put the boy or girl tag with their grade on the outside. We have 75 boxes to fill, so families, singles and couples or Sunday School classes can all get in on the action to make Christmas brighter for the kiddos of ARO. Be blessed as you share the love of Christ with others!

Update from the FCS Work Day:

We would like to extend a huge THANK YOU to all who came out to help at the FCS work day. Many outdoor projects were accomplished including:

- Covering the Hoophouse
- Building an outdoor stage platform
- Setting counting stumps and stepping stones
- Preparing sand work stations
- Building and painting benches
- Hanging outdoor white boards

What a blessing to have many hands work together to complete these projects! We are extremely grateful, and students are already learning in these new spaces! If you're interested in hearing more about the programs or seeing the new outdoor spaces at FCS, feel free to contact the office for more information or a tour.

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.

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.

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: November 5 – Gems (main office)

November 12 – Insight Pregnancy Services

November 19 – Hand2Hand

November 26 – Western Michigan Christian High School

Stock the Pantry

For November, the requested food items are spaghetti sauce, pasta/rice. Items can be dropped off at church or directly at TrueNorth.

Prayer Corner

A new prayer initiative for our Food Truck families is starting, thanks to Stephanie DeKuiper's and Gretchen Kronsbein's diligence and compassion. Prayer request cards were handed out to those who came to the October 18th food distribution at Second Church. We were pleased to have received numerous requests plus grateful comments such as, "this is a church that cares," and "thank you"! The requests have been typed up and fill approximately two pages. That's a lot of requests. While there is no way to identify who the requests are for or where the people live, God knows and that is all that matters. What a mighty God we serve who hears and answers prayer!

Here's where you come in. If you would like to be one of our food truck prayer warriors and commit to praying for these requests until the next food truck comes in January, 2024, we would love to include you. If you have not received a call from Bette Wagenmaker please email her at bettecarlson62@yahoo.com to receive the list of requests.

Remember the words of Jesus...

And the King will answer them,
'Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers,
you did it to me.'

Matthew 25:40 ESV

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