

# SECOND'S MATTERS

January 3, 2024



**Second Church  
of Fremont**

*Knowing Christ, Making Christ Known*

## **Sunday, January 7, 2024**

Pastor Adam Sculnick will be leading us in worship. The sermon Sunday is 'Dear Church...Wise Up Already' is based on 1 Corinthians 1:18-25. The greeters are Al and Bette Wagenmaker.

### **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, January 7, 2024 – Evening Community Worship Service at First CRC at 5pm**

### **Our Church Family**

#### **"Hey family,**

Happy New Year! It is officially 2024 and I could not be more excited about what the Lord is going to do here at Second Church. I have a few things to lay before you as we clear the middle of the week and slide down towards our next service this Sunday.

First, this is the last Sunday that our Christmas decor will be up and we could use some help taking it all down. We will begin the clean up process right after the service so if you're willing and able, please let me or a council member know so we can plan accordingly. Many hands make light work and there are many hands in our family.

Second, by request we are holding another profession of faith class beginning January 14th at 11:30. If you know someone who might be interested, please have them reach out to me or sign up on the sheet at the welcome desk between now and the 14th.

Third, beginning January 16th at 6pm and with plans to meet monthly, we at Second Church are excited to launch DudeStuff, a Bible study and fellowship for the men of our church and community. If you are a dude, gentleman, guy, bro or man and / or you have one in your life, please consider joining us or encouraging them to join us. We will be here at the church playing corn hole, enjoying some light refreshments and of course exploring God's Word together.

Fourth, Mission Monday begins again next week at 6:30pm. Bring your first thru 8th grade boys and girls for 90 minutes of fun and Jesus!

Lastly, but certainly not least, Public Reading of Scripture is returning as well. This Sunday evening at 6pm we will begin again to explore God's Word together just by listening. If you haven't come to a PROS meeting yet, this is a great time to start. I'm praying for each of you that God's grace be in abundance in your life as we begin the new year together. May He bless you and keep you until we meet next.

**Hidden in Christ,  
Pastor Adam"**

Please keep **Juanita Artlip, Kim Hayward's** mother, in your prayers. She is under hospice care.

Please continue to keep **John Van Hekken** in your prayers.

**Tithing of your time, talents, treasures...**called by God to use them for His glory! We heard these challenging words from Malachi last week. You are invited to join the praise team and offer your gift of praise! If this interests you and you would like more information, please contact Gladys in person or through email ([gladys@secondcrcfremont.org](mailto:gladys@secondcrcfremont.org)).

## Community Announcements

### Mobile Food Truck, January 17, 2024 – Volunteers needed

On Wednesday, January 17, 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. 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



### All Church Pancake Breakfast, January 21

The Fellowship Team invites the congregation to a pancake breakfast following the January 21 service. Pancakes with various toppings, eggs and sausage will be served at 11:30 AM. Please sign up on the table in the lobby with your name and how many will be attending to help us plan on how many to serve.

### Church Key Codes

The code for the church has been changed. Please call the church if you need the new code. The church is open from 9-12, Monday thru Friday and usually into the afternoons of those days.

### 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: January 7 – Insight Pregnancy Services*

*January 14 – Community Closet*

*January 21 – WMCHS*

*January 28 – Cadets (main office)*

### Stock the Pantry

For January, the requested food items are cereal, pancake mix, syrup. Items can be dropped off at church or directly at TrueNorth.

## Prayer Corner

### Seeking Jesus

"Seeking Him is your work and He will provide for you. These words from Pastor Adam's message last Sunday, December 31 put things in a new prospective for me. My job and yours too is to seek hard after Jesus. Seeking is not casual, but highly intentional and there's a purpose attached to seeking. Seeking involves a deep desire to reach a goal or to make significant gains in a particular area. Seeking Jesus should be the highest priority of your life. Your desire should be to please Him because you love Him and done out of gratitude for His matchless love for you. The world tells you to make yourself #1 and to seek after what pleases you and brings you gratification, advancement and satisfaction. But, this is empty seeking and goes completely against what Jesus teaches you to do. Seeking Jesus brings joy, the knowledge that He is always with you and will never leave you, not ever. Seeking Jesus is full-time work and the benefits are eternal. As you seek after Jesus He alone gives you the desire to spread His love to those who don't know Him yet. You can't put a price on the blessed rewards. "Seek ye first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things will be added unto you." Matthew 6:33

Yes, 2024 is a brand new year and each day is a gift from God.

May the prayer of your heart be to seek hard after Jesus.

Then watch for the blessings it brings.

Priceless!

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