

SECOND'S MATTERS

May 1, 2024



**Second Church
of Fremont**

Knowing Christ, Making Christ Known

Sunday, May 5, 2024

Pastor Adam Sculnick will be leading us in worship. The sermon Sunday is "The Ten Commandments: Boundaries Matter" based on Exodus 20:1-21. The greeters are Dave and Alvera Kidder.

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, May 5, 2024 – Evening Community Worship Service at First CRC at 5pm

"Hey Second Family!

What a blessing it is to see signs of Spring. This past weekend a set of geese that have been hanging out in my front yard unveiled their 4 newborn babies, and a bunny that has been enjoying the grass in my backyard had 3 babies of her own under some flowers we planted right before winter when we first moved in; and I'm pretty sure that there are 2 cardinals working on a nest in a tree just outside my patio door (ask my dog, he'll tell you. He goes over to say good morning to them every day and is always confused when they fly off.) We here at Second Church also have some new things to celebrate coming into being.

Our all new Connection Point Coffee kicked off this morning. Ladies of all ages gathered to sip coffee and chat about life and about Jesus. If you want to join them, mark your calendars for 8:45am every 1st and 3rd Wednesday morning at Koffee Kuppe on Main Street. It's BYOC (Buy Your Own Coffee) and all are welcome, including kiddos.

Also a new beginning this Sunday is our sermon series. We just concluded 1 Corinthians with a wonderful Q&A session and we look ahead now to our next series Mirror Mirror all about the 10 commandments. The first of the 11 message series will be this weekend and I am excited to get started.

In addition to some new beginnings, we also have some endings to celebrate. Mission Monday has been such a blessing to be a part of this school year and we have seen nearly 30 boys and girls from our church and community come together and learn about Christ in a fun and exciting way. May 13th will be the last meeting for the school year. I mentioned during my announcements a date of May 6th, so I apologize for the confusion, but it is in fact the 13th that we end for the year. We already celebrated GEMS and what they did this year during a service earlier this month, and this Sunday we will take a look back at what CIA has done as well as feature our local CIA as the special offering recipient for the week. Those funds will go towards helping make next year even better than this one for the boys of our church and community.

On a personal level, thank you to each and every person who took the time to connect with me after Sunday's meeting. God is good all the time and even in seasons of testing, He is faithful and we rest in Him. See you Sunday.

*In Service to the King,
-Adam"*

Our Church Family

Please keep **Kim Hayward**, **Nanci Nieboer**, and **Doug DeKuiper** in your prayers as they continue to recover from their recent surgeries.

Community Announcements

THE CHURCH OFFICE WILL NOT BE HAVING REGULAR OFFICE HOURS FROM April 29 to May 10. Please send, via email, any announcements for Second's Matters in by Tuesday 3pm and for the bulletin by Thursday 9am.

End-Of-School Year Potluck, May 5

The Fellowship Committee invites you to join in celebrating the year end of learning and having fun with our Sunday School and other activities. As the activities come to an end we have planned a Potluck on Sunday May 5 at 11:30 to enjoy a meal and fellowship together one more time this year. Please sign up on the Welcome Center to help us plan.

Connection Point—a Women's Gathering!

Who: Women of all ages and stages. If you have littles at home, feel free to bring them along!

What: An opportunity to get to know women from the church in a casual setting.

When: We will be there on the first and third Wednesday of each month, beginning on May 1, from 8:45-9:45am (or as long as you wish to stay).

Where: **The Koffee Kuppe***—downtown Fremont. Note: the back door is temporarily closed, due to patio construction.

Questions: text/call/email—gladys@secondcrcfremont.org or 231.924.0990

"And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together...encouraging one another...." Hebrews 10:24-25

*Plan to purchase your own beverage/food.

Summer Cookies Sign-up

Our summer cookie signup for Sunday mornings is now available online. If you are able to bake (or buy!) 6 or 12 dozen treats for Sunday mornings we are asking you to click on the link and signup for a date. Thanks for making our Sunday mornings extra sweet! sweet!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0A4CA9AE2FABFC1-49138606-summer>



HI-Lites Mother's Day Ad:

If you would like to thank your mother, grandmother, or another special person, place their name on the list /envelope on the literature ledge and put \$2.00 in the envelope for each name.

Wellspring Adult Day Services

Volunteer Opportunity! Wellspring Adult Day Services is looking for volunteers who are passionate about working with seniors. Our volunteers' responsibilities include building relationships with guests and assisting in the daily program. If you feel this would be something you would enjoy, please call Allie Maat at 231.519.5450 or email at wellspringads@gmail.com for more information.

From Grace Adventures

Grace Adventures is hiring for all four campuses as we seek to impact people with Jesus Christ. We have some year-round roles as well as season positions which can be found here: <https://graceadventures.org/employment/>

In the Fremont area, we need staff to help serve our guests at The Shack, a Christian Conference and Retreat Center, for specific roles and to apply please go to the website: <https://shackcountryinn.com/employment/>

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: May 5 – CIA
 May 12 – Fremont Christian School
 May 19 – Bible League

Stock the Pantry

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

Library News

There are new books in the library! You'll find kid/teen books on top of the bookcase just to the left as you enter the library. On the right beyond the closet you'll find adult fiction and non-fiction titles, including Pastor Adam's new book *Intentional Fatherhood*. Do you have a book which you would like to see in the library? Please let Bette Wagenmaker know.

Prayer Corner

Walking with Jesus

This morning as I was thinking of what it is like to walk in step with Jesus I quickly realized it this is a pretty tall order. Yet, that is exactly what we as Christians are called upon to do. Walking with Jesus is the best thing that could ever happen to us and will take us to many pleasant places. But we have to be realistic, for it will take us out of our comfort zones. We could be going into the "muck and mire" of life with others. Perhaps we'll be doing something really hard or having hard conversations. It could mean sitting in a hospital waiting room, visiting people in jail, putting our plans on hold to go the extra mile for someone.

Jesus would provide food for people. Are we willing to do the same when someone is grieving the loss of a loved one is recovering from surgery or an illness or is lonely? The list is endless but walking with Jesus is just like that...endless opportunities are available. Walking with Jesus is the actions we take and the attitudes of our hearts. Jesus never balked or complained when helping others. He did it out of love and this should be our motivation too.

Put your walking shoes on and let's go! Walk in step with Jesus out of love for Him.

Walking with Jesus
Robert G. Savage

Walking with Jesus, walking every day,
All along the way, for I am
Walking with Jesus, walking with Jesus alone.

Walking in the sunlight, walking in the shadow,
Walking every day, all along the way, for I am
Walking in the sunlight, walking in the shadow,
Walking with Jesus alone.

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