# SECOND'S MATTERS May 29, 2024



#### Sunday June 2

Pastor Adam Sculnick will be leading us in worship. The sermon Sunday is "The Third Commandment: Carry It Well" based on Exodus 20:7. We will have recognition of the 2024 graduates and the installation of the new elders and deacons. The greeters are Randy and Ann Pell.

#### **Pre-Service Prayer**

Everyone is invited to join with others in the Fireside Room/Library at 9:05am 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, June 2, 2024 - Evening Community Worship Service at First CRC at 5pm

#### "Hey Family!

After taking a weekend off from gathering in church together, I am looking forward to seeing everyone in the pews and in fellowship this coming Sunday. The community event was beautiful and I am so thankful for each of you who came out to worship with the other churches of the larger body of Christ here in Fremont. As we look ahead to what's coming up, I have four things to lay before you.

First is that tomorrow evening, Thursday May 30th from 6:30-8:30pm, we have a guest speaker coming to lead a conversation around discipleship and evangelism. Daryl has become a good friend and mentor to me and will be here to lead a time that, according to past participants, is so thought provoking that it might keep you up a bit at night. It will challenge your walk with the Lord and set you on fire for the gospel in new and exciting ways and everyone's experience is personal. Please consider joining us.

Second is that June 9th will be the start of our next Starting Point class for new members. If you or someone you know is curious about what it looks like to be a member here at Second Church, consider signing up or suggesting to them to sign up for the classes. There is a sheet on the welcome center to sign up, or you can visit this link.

Third is that this Sunday is a big day for a number of reasons, two in fact. The first is that we are honoring our graduates from middle/high school and college and second is that we are ordaining our 5 new council members. I hope you will join us for this very special Sunday service.

Lastly, as a church council we have begun work with a design team to relaunch our website with new tools and features to make finding us and connecting with us even easier; and to help make that new sight as beautiful and current as possible, we will be having new photos taken. June 30th we will have a photographer join us to snap photos before, during and after the service. If you have any issue with being photographed, please reach out to me before then to let me know and we will ensure that any images with your face in them will not be used on the site or in any other public fashion.

Be blessed as you complete the tasks the Lord assigned to you for this week and I can't wait to see you on Sunday.

In Service to the King, -Adam"

### **Our Church Family**

Please pray for continued healing for Brad Gilliland, who had shoulder replacement last week.

Please keep Kim Hayward and Nanci Nieboer in your prayers as they undergo treatment for cancer.

Please continue to pray for **Pat DeKuiper**, **Dennis and Brenda DeKuiper and family** as they mourn the loss of Samuel DeKuiper.

#### **Community Announcements**

Property Committee will be meeting on Wednesday, June 5 at 7pm.

#### 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, from 8:45-9:45am (or as long as you wish to stay).

Where: The Koffee Kuppe\*—downtown Fremont

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.

#### **FYSH Events**

**Sunday, 6/2:** Escape Room - Please have your kiddos meet @ Reeman CRC @ 2pm, we'll ride the church van together to LakeShore Quest in Muskegon. We should be back to Reeman around 4:45pm. We will not be eating, and cost of the event will be \$10 if you're able. Please let me know if your student will be joining us!

Sunday 6/30 FYSH Pool Day at Justin & Cari Taylor's house! More details to come.

#### From the Council

As the Council of Second Church, we have the opportunity to offer some powerful training for all who worship with us. Pastor Adam attended a pastor's retreat lead by Amplio, a group that helps churches move their mission forward. We are excited to invite each of you to an evening led by Amplio's Lead Facilitator where we will experience discipleship and evangelism training that will make you think deeply about your walk with Christ and the way you represent Him to the world. We strongly encourage you to take advantage of this opportunity. We will spend 2 1/2 hours together <u>on Thursday</u>, <u>May 30 beginning at 6:30</u>. Please RSVP to Mariel Poel at <u>231-349-9152</u> or <u>mbpoel@gmail.com</u>.

#### 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! https://www.signupgenius.comgo/10C0A4CA9AE2FABFC1-49138606-summer



#### 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 <u>wellspringads@gmail.com</u> for more information.

**Wellspring** is hosting a presentation given by the Alzheimer's Association on Understanding Alzheimer's and Dementia on June 4 from 3-4:30 at Wellspring Adult Day Services/Reeman CRC. This is an opportunity for all community members to come and learn about this disease.

#### **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: June 2 – World Renew

June 9 – Fremont Service Committee June 16 – Newaygo County Compassion House June 23 – True North June 30 – Wellspring Adult Care Services

#### 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.

## **Prayer Corner**

#### Build Others Up in Jesus

Our goal as Christians should always be to draw people toward Jesus. That's building the righteous life that James talks about in James 1. We live in a world where distractions and temptations abound making it challenging to share the truth in love or to go the extra mile with someone. But as difficult as it may be that is what we are called to do.

Jesus, the Son of God, lived every moment of His humanity undistracted. He didn't get caught up by secondary issues like Sabbath day regulations or rules for cleansing (Matthew 15: 20) even though He knew that the Pharisees were constantly watching for ways to trap Him. We don't have the same challenges that Jesus faced by any means, but we do have challenges, and we must rely on Him to show us the way to take. In closing are these words from I Timothy 6: 18-19 for your prayerful application: "Instruct them to do what is good, to be rich in good works, to be generous and willing to share, storing up treasure for themselves as a good foundation for the coming age, so that they may take hold of what is truly life."

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