

SECOND'S MATTERS

June 12, 2024



**Second Church
of Fremont**

Knowing Christ, Making Christ Known

Sunday June 16

Pastor Adam Sculnick will be leading us in worship. The sermon Sunday is "The Fifth Commandment: Honor Your Parents" based on Exodus 20:12. The children will be taking a noisy coin offering benefitting the Upward Basketball Camp and Broadway Bootcamp. The greeters are Dave and Chris Breuker.

The Sunday morning pre-service prayer gathering will not be held during the summer months.

Sunday, June 16, 2024 – Evening Community Worship Service at First CRC at 5pm

"Hey Second Family!!

I have been sitting in my office this morning, talking with the Lord about what to say in this letter, and my mind continues to be drawn to the beauty that He has been revealing to me in resting. We just went through the fourth commandment on Sabbath rest and so as my mind slowly unplugs from that concept to move into next week's message, I keep noticing the power that comes from being still, quiet, and trusting in Him to make the move. I am reminded of a quote I heard a long time ago "Every big move of God begins with not moving." I don't remember who said it but I do know that it has rung true in my own life so many times I've lost count. I encourage each of you to slow down this week, to rest in quiet stillness, and listen for Him to speak.

A few things to mention as we clear over the middle of another week. First, last night we had our first Intercessory Prayer gathering. As a group, we took time to lift up in prayer our church, our community, our nation and our world; and this covering of prayer is to become a staple of our church moving forward. If you are interested in joining us, please send an email to our prayer coordinator Bette Wagenmaker (bettecarlson62@yahoo.com) to get the details on our next meeting which will be later this month.

Second, we are still and will always be looking for more individuals to volunteer to read scripture during our service. If you would like to read for us, the process is simple. Passages are chosen in advance by myself and you are given that info at least a week prior to you reading. you'll read from your own Bible, or from one of ours if you'd refer. Let me know via email (adam@secondcrcfremont.org) if you'd like to participate.

Also, it was brought to my attention in conversation with someone earlier this week that they don't come to Public Reading of Scripture on Sundays because they don't want to end up having to read, and don't want to have to say "no" when asked to read either. So I thought I'd clarify for everyone, PROS does not include live Scripture reading by those who attend. We build a playlist on Youtube in advance of each week's gathering that includes a selection of texts from the Old and New Testament read to us from the NIV translation of the Bible (the same that we have in the pews for Sunday services). The words appear on the screen in the room for attendees to follow along, or they can follow in a physical Bible. At the end of the reading, we simply ask this question, "what did you hear or notice today in the reading?". That conversation can go in any number of directions and when it concludes, we pray to end the meeting. It is an easy way for believers and also for seekers and non-believers to get into the Word of God together and if you attend every week, you will have read the entire Bible in just over a year with only a 1 hour a week commitment.

Lastly, as mentioned last week and on Sunday, we are excited to be hosting a Ladies Painting Night on June 25th from 6:30-8pm for the women of Second Church and our community. Registration is open now either by the sign up sheet on the welcome desk, or by clicking this link, and money (\$15 for supplies) is due to the church office by June 21st. Unless you personally hand it to someone and tell them it's for the painting party, please be sure to indicate either on the check or on the envelope that you placed cash in, that it is for the painting party. That is especially true if you put the funds in one of our offering boxes; otherwise we won't know who the money came from or what it was to be used for.

I pray that you would welcome the opportunity to rest in God this week and that I will see each of you on Sunday to worship Him together.

*In Service to the King,
-Adam"*

Our Church Family

Susan Byker will be having surgery on Monday, June 17, to reattach a muscle and tendon to her hip bone. Please pray for a successful surgery

Please pray for continued healing for **Brad Gilliland**, who had shoulder replacement surgery a few weeks ago.

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

Please Help!

The Congregation is needed to help us make our second Youth Basketball Program successful. We are in need of some snacks. We are feeding 35 kids for 4 days and we need your help. If you are able to help support and willing to grab snacks, please leave at church this Sunday or June 23rd. Start day of program is the 24th!

Suggested items: *Granola bars, Goldfish, Teddy Grahams, Cheez It's, Small cups for serving*

Christian Education Fund

This is a reminder that if you made a pledge to the Christian Education Fund for this past school year, pledges are due by June 30th. Currently, the fund is about \$25,000 behind. If you have questions, please contact Ken Wolffis at (231) 519-3686

Notes from the Tech Team:

We have begun work with a design team to update our church website! Our goal is to make the website more user-friendly for both members and guests alike. To help with getting the website as current and up to date as possible, we will have a photographer joining us on Sunday, June 30th for before, during, and after the worship service. If you have any issue with being photographed, please reach out to Pastor Adam 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. Any questions, please feel free to ask!

Tech Team (Jeff Breuker, Jason DeKuiper, Jason Snyder, Kit Powell, Ty Cook)

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

When: 4:30-7p on Sunday 6/30

Where: The Taylor's House (401 Miller St., Fremont)

Who: Highschoolers, including new freshman!

We'll also have a cookout, so have your kids come hungry!

Summer Cookies Sign-up

Our summer cookie sign-up 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 sign-up for a date.

Thanks for making our Sunday mornings extra sweet!

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



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: June 16 – Newaygo County Compassion House

June 23 – True North

June 30 – Wellspring Adult Care Services

Stock the Pantry

For June, the requested food items are soup and crackers. Items can be dropped off at church or directly at TrueNorth.

Prayer Corner

Today as I was reflecting on Pastor Adam's message from last Sunday, June 9th, on "The Fourth Commandment: Honor the Sabbath" an old hymn came to mind. It seemed to fit perfectly with the admonition of resting in the Lord and leaving all of our burdens with Him. "All Your Anxiety, All Your Care" written in 1920 by Edward H. Joy contains words that are as true today as they were over 100 years ago. The mercy seat is that place of rest, release and comfort where you hand your anxieties over to Jesus and have Him carry them for you!

All Your Anxiety, All Your Care

Edward H. Joy

Is there a heart o'erbound by sorrow?
Is there a life weighed down by care?
Come to the cross, each burden bearing;
All your anxiety—leave it there.

No other friend so swift to help you,
No other friend so quick to hear,
No other place to leave your burden,
No other one to hear your prayer.

Come then at once; delay no longer!
Heed His entreaty kind and sweet,
You need not fear a disappointment;
You shall find peace at the mercy seat.

Refrain:

*All your anxiety, all your care,
Bring to the mercy seat, leave it there,
Never a burden He cannot bear,
Never a friend like Jesus!*

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