

SECOND'S MATTERS

July 31, 2024



**Second Church
of Fremont**

Knowing Christ, Making Christ Known

Sunday August 4

Pastor Adam Sculnick will be leading us in worship. The sermon Sunday is "Rebellion." We will **NOT** be having communion. Greeters are Dale and Sherry Lue

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

Sunday, August 4, 2024 – Evening Community Worship Service at First CRC at 5pm

Hey family,

I've been away for a bit and I am overwhelmed by your prayers for me and my family. I want to get you all caught up on a few things as we enter into this last month of summer.

The first thing I think is the obvious elephant in the room. "How did your time with Chuck DeGroat go, Adam?" It went really well. In the coming days, the council will be sending out an update letter with more information on what happened and what is coming next but rest assured, the time was worth every second and your prayers were so very welcomed. Second, there is a new series beginning next week. We will spend a few months going through the book of Ephesians and I have to just say I am extremely excited about it. It is one of, if not my favorite book of the new testament and possibly also of the whole Bible. If you want to get into the same headspace that I've been in as I study it, here is a link to the Spotify playlist I made to accompany the series, which I am calling Kingdom Down. Also, and this is more for the guys who are reading (so ladies let your man know please), our men's bible study DudeStuff will be switching days. the next meeting is tonight at 6pm here at church but then beginning in August it will be on Thursday evenings at 6pm. I hope you'll join us.

I love you all so much and pray for you daily and I give thanks to God for all that He has done here at Second Church, and for all that He continues to do. I hope you'll join me in praising Him for what's to come, because I think it's going to be incredible. to God be the glory!!

In Service to the King,
-Adam

Our Church Family

Pray for Doug Hamming, Charlie and Melanie DeKryger's son-in-law, who has stage 4 cancer. Pray for strength as he navigates the next steps going forward.

Please keep **Susan Byker, Pat DeKuiper, Kim Hayward, and Nanci Nieboer** in your prayers.

Update from the Platzers

Maryna and Andrian are excited to share a few great events in their lives! After many weeks of anxious waiting, Maryna's parents, Ivan and Natalie, were granted visas to come to America to visit until early September. They arrived a few weeks ago and are adjusting to life in Fremont. They are so happy to see their grandsons and being with family.

Andrian and Maryna signed on the purchase of a new townhouse east of Fremont on Meadowview Lane. They are in the process of moving in and will update address later.

Maryna, Andrian and Danylo are all really gaining in their knowledge and use of English; **Timophii** is speaking some English and understands more.

They are so happy and grateful to the people of Second Church for giving them this opportunity.

From Maryna

Our family sincerely thanks the whole church family for supporting us in coming here and for all your prayers. We are grateful to the Lord for hearing and generously blessing us, as well as for the way we lived this year, for the events that happened to us during this time, because we were able to achieve this only in cooperation with the Lord.

Community Announcements

Kids Hope

Are you wondering how you can make an impact and make Christ known in our community? Do you have one hour, once a week to spare? If so, we have the perfect opportunity for you! Our Kids Hope program needs mentors for the 2024-2025 school year. If this is something you are interested in, please reach out to Stephanie DeKuiper (231) 414-5141 or Chelsea Breuker (231) 414-1122 for more information.

Don't forget to fill out the Bible Study preference sheet and put it in Ann Pell's box.

Prayer Partners

Thank you to the 27 people who've volunteered to be prayer partners- we need 12 more of you to participate!! Let's cover the students of 2nd Church with prayer this year!!

Next Week, August 5-9, 2nd Church will be hosting 30 children in a Broadway Boot Camp. They will learn about Jesus while preparing a program from "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat", which you are all invited to attend!. Please pray that this will be a God glorifying event for all involved.

The Fall Kick Off picnic is almost here

When: August 18, after the morning service

Time: 12 PM

Where: Here at church

Food: Fellowship Committee will be grilling hamburgers and hot dogs. There will also be ice cream sundaes for dessert.

Fun: Lawn games, chalking, bounce house, corn hole, volleyball net set up.

What to bring: a favorite picnic dish to share, a lawn chair.

Other information: We could use any pop up tents if you have one to help with shade while we eat. Contact Stephanie DeKuiper or Helen Mellema

To help with set up and the amount of meat to buy we need you to sign up on the table by the welcome center.

See you there!

Faith Promise Missions

Just a reminder that pledges are still being received for Faith Promise for the 2024-2025 giving year. Help us reach our \$35,000 goal which would provide \$5,000 to each of the seven missionaries or mission organizations which Second Church supports. Your pledge and giving matter!

COOKIES

Bakers or buyers are needed to help supply 10 dozen treats each Sunday morning this fall for our post-service fellowship time.

Please sign up for a date or two if you are able to help by clicking on the link

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0A4CA9AE2FABFC1-50295653-fall>

If you have any technical difficulties, please contact Stephanie 231-414-5141. Thank you to all who helped provide treats this summer!



Stock the Pantry

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

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: August 4 – Resonate World Missions

August 11 – Western Michigan Christian High School

August 18 – Newaygo Community Compassion House

August 25 – Kid's Hope

Prayer Corner

On this gorgeous late July morning these words from Psalm 100 bring our focus where it should be and that is on worshipping our Lord Jesus Christ. Whatever your plans are for today, spend some time meditating of the presence and power of the Lord in your life. Thank Him for what He has done for you, what He has brought you through and thank Him for what He is going to do in your life as you trust Him completely.

Psalm 100

Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth.

Worship the Lord with gladness;
come before Him with joyful songs.

Know that the Lord is God.

It is he who made us, and we are his;
we are his people, the sheep of his pasture.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving
and his courts with praise;
give thanks to him and praise his name.

For the Lord is good
and his love endures forever;
his faithfulness continues through all generations.

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