

# SECOND'S MATTERS

August 7, 2024



**Second Church  
of Fremont**

*Knowing Christ, Making Christ Known*

## Sunday August 11

Pastor Adam Sculnick will be leading us in worship. The sermon Sunday is "Grace and Peace" based on Ephesians 1:3-14. Greeters are Lewis and Sharon Blohm.

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

**Sunday, August 11, 2024** – Evening Community Worship Service at First CRC at 5pm

Hey family,

We are halfway through our first ever Broadway Bible Boot Camp. It's like VBS but with an eye towards musical theatre. My prayer when we planned this event was for 10-15 kids to join us. It's fair week, school has almost started, and so many other things made it that I felt 15 would be a stretch. But our God is bigger than we can fathom and He gives us more than we can ever ask for or imagine. We have 31 registered kiddos and even with some being sick, 20-23 have attended each day so far! The week culminates with a wonderful show that you are all invited to this Friday evening. Doors open at 5:30 and the show starts at 6pm. The performance in total is about 20 minutes long so you can come support the kiddos and the church and still be home in time for dinner. I hope to see you there.

This coming Sunday we are jumping into a new sermon series studying through the book of Ephesians. It is one of my favorite books of the Bible and I cannot wait to get into it with you. The series is called Kingdom Down and will center around the idea that our actions in this world will either bring the Kingdom of Heaven down to earth, or bring the dominion of Hell up from the pit. Join me Sunday to dive in, and bring a friend or neighbor too.

Also, I'm sure many of you are anxious to hear more about the time I spent with Chuck DeGroat and what the next steps are regarding ordination. The council president Bryan and I are working to put together another update letter that will be out to you soon. Please be patient with us while that process of discernment around what to include in the letter takes place. The info from Chuck has a good deal of sensitive information in it that is very personal to me and we need to discern from God what to include and what to allow to remain private.

I look forward to getting together with you all again on Sunday and sharing the word of God with in in our first sermon of the new series which I've titled "Grace and Peace". See you then!

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.

Thank you for all the prayers, calls and cards during my recent surgery. I am doing well and recovering nicely.

**Susan Byker**

**Andrian and Maryna Platzer's new address** is 14 Meadow Hills, Fremont.

**Gaylen Byker** had rotator cuff surgery last week. He is home recovering. Please pray for a complete recovery.

Please continue to pray for healing and strength for those recovering from injuries, surgeries, and treatments.

## Community Announcements

### To All Members and Regular Attendees

The church office will be producing an **Updated Church Directory** in the coming weeks. If you have changed address, phone number, email, etc., or would like to be added, please get the appropriate information to Valerie by emailing [office@secondcrcfremont.org](mailto:office@secondcrcfremont.org) or calling the church office (231) 924-0170 by **August 30, 2023**.

### 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.

### Prayer Partners

Check your mailbox Sunday for the student you will be praying for. We plan to have a meet and greet for you next Sunday at the church picnic.

### Faith Promise Pledging for Missions

Have you made a pledge yet to help support the seven missionaries and mission organizations that our church supports through Faith Promise? There is still time to do so and remember, your pledge, regardless of the size, will help us reach our goal of \$35,000 which will provide \$5,000 to each of the following missions:

**Appalachia Reach Out in Inez, KY, Dwayne Mills, director**  
**Growing Hope Globally (providing food for those in need)**  
**Haiti Foundation against Poverty**  
**Karin Medical Clinics, Gulu, Uganda, Hope Okeny, director**  
**Leah Sweetman, serving in Nicaragua under Resonate Global Missions**  
**Mission India**  
**S.O.S. Missions, Matamoros, Mexico**

### 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!

### Bible League

Thank you for joining with friends of Bible League to provide God's Word! We appreciate the generous contributions raised. Together, our church was able to provide \$900.00 for ministry. Continue to pray with us for the provision of God's Word to a lost and needy world. Thank you for servicing the under-resourced Church.

## 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. Grace and Peace



## Stock the Pantry

For August the requested food items are macaroni and cheese, canned meat, tuna. 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 11 – Western Michigan Christian High School  
August 18 – Newaygo Community Compassion House  
August 25 – Kid's Hope*

## Prayer Corner

May this be the prayer of your heart as you seek to walk faithfully with the Lord each day.

Psalm 25: 1-7

To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul;  
in you I trust, O my God.

Do not let me be put to shame.  
nor let my enemies triumph over me.

No one whose hope is in you will ever be put to shame.  
but they will be put to shame who are treacherous without excuse.

Show me your ways, O Lord,  
teach me your paths,  
guide me in your truth and teach me,  
for you are God my Savior,  
and my hope is in you all day long.  
Remember, O Lord, your great mercy and love,  
for they are from of old.  
Remember not the sins of my youth and my rebellious ways,  
according to your love remember me,  
for you are good, O Lord.

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