

Prayer & Praise

Wayne & Mary Veenstra and Marilyn Kartes as their aunt Beverly Dyer, passed away March 27th. May God's comfort surround them as these are difficult times for any gathering.

Judy Kapolka, Staci Stroven's mother, in your prayers as they were not able to get all 6 small tumors during her surgery on last Wednesday. She will have to go in again in about a month for another surgery. Please pray for comfort, healing and any anxiety she may be having. May God envelope her in his protecting arms.

Elder & Deacon nominations are being prayed and thought over. Commit to praying for FRC leadership during this time.

Unspoken request for a community member struggling with employment issues; pray for God to show them the next opportunity. Pray that God will guide and protect their family from hardship.

Ongoing Health Concerns. Please pray for those who daily battle illness and pains. The emotional side of being under the weather long-term has serious affects. Pray for those who are caregivers. May God bring comfort and peace.

Beatrice Hartger, David Iseminger, Veteran with PTSD, Wyatt Stroven, Mary Johnson, John Campbell, Cathy Nurmi, Jennifer Beeler

Military service men and women as they courageously protect our Nation. May God envelope them in protection, guidance and strength as they live daily for others. Pray for their families give them comfort hope and peace as they are apart.

FRC Military Dave Messer, Christopher McPherson, Brandon & Desirae Moore, Anthony Woodruff, Sam Dickinson, Daniel Heavener, Sarah TenBrink

(If you should have a family member or friend in the military and would like continued prayer for them contact the church office.)

Pray for TrueNorth, Love Inc., Hope 101 Ministries, Insight Pregnancy, etc. as they try to meet the needs of our communities in these desperate times.

Pray for our community members as they seek to have a personal relationship with Christ as Lord of their life and the physical needs of our community (safety, employment, financial stability, housing, health, and well-being).

Pray for our President and Vice President as they lead our country in this crisis. May God surround them and protect them from harms way. May He give them the strength, knowledge and backbone to stand up and lead in a Godly way.

*Prayer isn't like a spare tire;
you can't just leave it in your trunk and
expect it to be effective when you need it.
You MUST "be persistent in prayer",
Stay in constant contact with God.*

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You are encouraged to contact your Care Elder if and when special needs arise.

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Church building open:
Sunday - 9:00 a.m. - Noon
Monday - Thursday 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 a.m.
Friday - Saturday - Closed

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Welcome to Worship



During the Covid-19 crisis we are having many different feelings. How do we communicate what we are feeling to a Sovereign Holy God? The Psalms are all about communicating our feelings to Him.

New Series: Oh God

Scripture: Psalms

*First Reformed Church
Fremont, MI
April 5, 2020*

*Please join us for a time of coffee fellowship
in the Gathering Center following the service.*

Life at FRC

Today at FRC...

10:00 A.M. Worship Service/Palm Sunday/Special Offering for Missions
7:00 P.M. No Rise Youth Group

This Week at FRC...

Sun. - Sat. - FRC church building will be closed/May call office from 8:00am - Noon, Tuesday - Friday.

Mon. - Fri. - 11:30 A.M. - 1:00 P.M. Commission on Aging Lunch **Closed**

Tues. - 11:00 P.M. No Holy Grounds

Wed. - 4:30 - 6:15 P.M. No Club 57 meeting (5th - 7th grade)
6:30 P.M. - 8:00 P.M. No GEMS & Cadets (1st - 8th grade)
6:45 P.M. No Praise Team Practice

Thurs. No Maundy Thursday service

Looking Ahead at FRC...

April 14 - 6:30 P.M. Elders/Deacons meeting
7:45 P.M. Consistory meeting

Birthdays...

April 6 - Jace Kamphorst
8 - Grace Boisvert
10 - Carl Jahr
Ty Manchip
Jillian Stroven
11 - Elizabeth Walcott
Ken Wallace
12 - Kassondra Dunning
Carter Force



Nomination Ballots - Please remember to mail or email: info@frcfremont.org, your Nomination Ballots to the church office by this Monday, April 6th.

Graduates (or parents) If you are graduating this year (high school or college), please email (info@frcfremont.org) a baby picture and a graduation picture into the church office and we will recognize you in the bulletin which will also go on our website page in the bulletin.

Packing Party Hand2Hand, May 12 - Save the date. FRC will be packing lunches again for this ministry. Please arrive at 6:30pm at Inspire Wesleyan Church on Garden Ave. to participate.

Hand2Hand pantry will be open on Mondays 9am-11am and Wednesdays 11am-1pm and 6-8pm for participants to come and pick up food. The pantry is located at the Inspire Wesleyan Church. When school resumes deliveries will be made to the schools as before.

Church & Community News

Paradise Bound Ministry - We are still waiting on an update from Paradise Bound Ministry as to their decision on summer trips. If you should have any questions, you may contact Mary Johnson.

Pastor Joel's is still preaching Sundays even though we are not gathered together. His sermons are posted on our **website:** www.frcfremont.org each week. Just scroll down and click on Messages. Or, you can go to **Youtube:** https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCTzv9rAB2TBc7N6b-5Y8RCA/ All sermons are posted for your convenience and are viewed by many. If you do not have internet, maybe another family member or friend does and they can listen with you. Please view so we can all stay connected. May God Bless and keep you healthy!

FRC Spring Cleanup May 30th. Save the date on your calendar now to serve. Bring your wheelbarrows and garden supplies. More details about this day will come closer to the date.

If you know of any elderly or sick in our church who do not have email or internet service; would you please give them a call and keep them informed as what is going on at FRC until this is over and we can all meet for worship. I'm sure they will love a call and conversation too. Thank you all for your help and understanding as we go forward.

FRC is going High Tech - Not only are we loading Pastor Joel's devotions and our children's leaders' kids devotionals to Facebook, but now we have a YouTube channel too. Here's the address: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCTzv9rAB2TBc7N6b-5Y8RCA/

People that have smart TVs with YouTube can watch them on their TV by going to YouTube and searching for "FRC Church Fremont"

Thank you to the tech wizards for making us 21st century accessible, and socially connected in this time of a corona virus tsunami.

Insight Pregnancy - Thank You for helping raise monies with the Baby Bottle drive this year. You congregation raised \$1,623.35. 600 bottles from 18 churches were passed out in the county. So far we raised a total of \$18,076. This year is especially significant, because we are raising an extra \$50,000 in addition to our \$222,000 general operating budget for the start-up of medical services. Adding ultrasound and STD testing, to reach and change more lives. Because of the pandemic that has affected all our ministries, please know that we are here with limited services for those in need of a pregnancy test/counsel, or times such as diapers, wipes, formulas, etc. Also, all our services are always free of charge, all the time. The longer this crisis goes on, the more likely our free supplies will be needed as many find their regular income disappearing. We are here to be the hands of Christ to those in need. Thank each and every one of you for your help.

This & That



Congratulations to Ben and Katie Zeits

on the arrival of their son
David Rodger Zeits
He was born March 20th at 7:59am
weighing 8lbs. 12 oz., 20.5 inches long.

Also, Congratulations to Ken and Jean Stroven,
this is their 26th grandchild.

What is Palm Sunday? The day we celebrate the triumphal entry of Jesus into Jerusalem, one week before His resurrection (Matthew 21:1-11). The crowds waved palm branches as they followed Jesus' procession into Jerusalem. It was the time of the Jewish feast of Passover. Many Jews travelled to Jerusalem to celebrate this feast together. As Jesus entered the holy city, He neared the culmination of a long journey toward Golgotha. He had come to save the lost (Luke 19:10), and now was the time—this was the place—to secure that salvation. Palm Sunday marked the start of what is often called "Passion Week," the final seven days of Jesus' earthly ministry. Palm Sunday was the "beginning of the end" of Jesus' work on earth. Some 450 to 500 years prior to Jesus' arrival in Jerusalem, the prophet Zechariah had prophesied the event we now call Palm Sunday: "Rejoice greatly, Daughter Zion! / Shout, Daughter Jerusalem! / See, your king comes to you, / righteous and victorious, / lowly and riding on a donkey, / on a colt, the foal of a donkey". (Zechariah 9:9).

Maundy Thursday commemorates the Last Supper of Jesus Christ with the Apostles. On this day, Christians remember the Last Supper. During the meal Jesus took bread and wine and shared them with his disciples. That Passover meal was when Jesus washed the feet of His disciples in an extraordinary display of humility. He then commanded them to do the same for each other. Christ's "mandate" is commemorated on Maundy Thursday---"maundy" being a shortened form of mandatum (Latin), which means "command." *"A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another"*. (John 13:34).

Good Friday - It commemorates Jesus Christ's Passion, crucifixion, and death. Jesus willingly suffered and died by crucifixion as the ultimate sacrifice for our sins (1 John 1:10).

Holy Saturday commemorates the day that Jesus Christ lay in the tomb after his death, according to the Christian bible.

Easter - the glorious celebration of the day Jesus was raised from the dead, heralding his victory over sin and death and pointing ahead to a future resurrection for all who are united to him by faith. (Romans 6:5).

There is coming a day when every knee will bow and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord (Philippians 2:10-11). Public Domain