Prayer & Praise

Judy Kapolka, Staci Stroven's mother as her surgery was as planned and she is doing well. Pray for her continued recovery. Your prayers are very much appreciated.

Unspoken request.

A cousin of Wayne & Mary Veenstra and Marilyn Kartes, who has not been feeling well and just found out she has cancer throughout her body and a blood clot. They had just bought a house in Fremont and were remodeling it to move into. Pray for God's healing and for her family.

Pray for families that have been affected with the Covid 19 virus. That our almighty Father with envelope each and every one of them in his healing arms and protect them.

Pray this virus will come to an end soon and that we all may stop and think about what has happened and give God our thanks for protecting us.

Pray for those who are silent. God knows their needs and hears the cry of their hearts. Offer assurance, grace, love, hope and forgiveness as they conquer their battles. May God guide them and be light in dark times.

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, Judy Kapolka

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 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.

There is not in the world a kind of life more sweet and delightful than that of a continual conversation with God.

We call it Prayer!

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Monday - Thursday 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 a.m.

Friday - Saturday - Closed

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Welcome to Worship

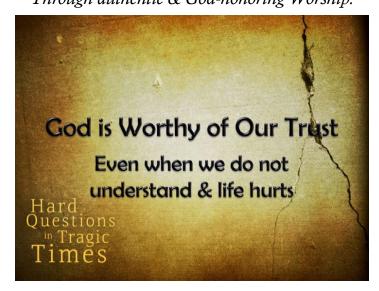
We are striving to honor God by building lives of Meaning & Purpose.

By connecting to each other & Jesus Christ.

By growing personally & helping others grow.

By using our gifts to serve others & God.

Through authentic & God-honoring Worship.



The Life Application study Bible says of this Psalm: "Because God is creator, Lord, savior, and deliverer, He is worthy of our trust and praise. Because he is faithful and his word is dependable, we can rejoice and sing, giving thanks and praise." This is an appropriate, needed text for a western Michigan weary of corona virus, and leery of vague government pronouncements or frustrated by the lack thereof. Time to forget Covid 19 for an hour, and worship our good God! Come and worship. He is good.

New Series: Oh God

Message: God is Worthy of our Trust by Pastor Joel Zuidema

Scripture: Psalm 33

First Reformed Church Fremont, MI April 19, 2020

Life at FRC

Today at FRC...

10:00 A.M. Worship Service/Special Offering for Capital Improvements 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

Birthdays...

April 22 - Stan Stroven April 20 - Nathan & Staci Stroven April 23 - Brittni TerVeer April 22 - Herb & Karen Oakes April 26 - Les & Charlene Robertson April 24 - Ashley Walton April 26 - Mary Stadt Dan & MaryJo Shue

Anniversary...

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. Pictures are due by June 9th.

VBS - Has been decided by the committee to cancel VBS this year with all that is going on. We look forward to seeing everyone next year for a great and wonderful time in Christ.

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.

Drive-In Service this Sunday, please bring crayons for you children as we will have color sheets for them to do.

Looking forward - the first Sunday that FRC can meet again in our auditorium will be a communion Sunday.

May 3 Special Offering is for Missions



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 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!

Packing Party Hand2Hand for May 12th has been cancelled.

But, at Inspire Church, Julie is accepting and giving out food on Wednesdays only from 11-1pm. She is also doing bus routes now with H2H food on Thursdays and delivered 103 this Thursday. Two other ladies are at Pine Street and the Middle School for food pickup on Wednesdays from 11-1pm. Pine Street because the administration is there and can also help out. To date there have be an added 40 kids who are now signed up to receive food.

Please feel free to drop off any food at Inspire Church on Wednesdays from 11-1 pm. Go to the building with the BIG C above the doors and someone will be there to take the goods from your cars. Especially needed are: Mac & Cheese, canned tuna, peanut butter and jelly and vegetables.

The food pantry is in need of help. If you would rather give money, please make your checks out to H2H but send them to Judy Vissia, 730 N. Beebe, Fremont, Mi 49412. If you have any questions please call me. Thank You, Judy Vissia

We will have communion at Drive In Church on Sunday, May 3. Occupants of each vehicle will bring their own elements. We wanted to give plenty of notice so you could acquire elements for communion without making an extra grocery run. Children are under the auspices of mom and dad. If they can recognize the meaning of the elements and with parents' permission, they may partake.

FRC - remember to check your emails toward the end of each week for member/regular attender sensitive announcements. With Corvid -19, we are having to figure out the best way to time urgent matters. Church email is best for that.



Share Your Faith with Others

This & That



Easter Drive-In Continued from page 1

By R.C.Wheater Sr.

Pastor Joel Zuidema preached from Psalm 16 on Sunday

"Keep me safe, Oh God," he ead, "for in You I take refuge."

Pastor Zuidema preached from atop a hay wagen parked in the church's roofed drive-up area, addressing the Easter Sunday morning crowd via a low-power FM radio hook-up. The service started at 10 a.m.

In their vehicles, arrayed in concentric ares in the parking lot, the congregation heard the music and Pastor Zuidema's encouraging words coming through their vehicles' radios.

The traffic directors/ushers wore face masks and gloves, and members of the congregation stayed inside their vehicles with the windows rolled up. Bulletins and song sheets were printed

earlier in the week and stored for a couple of days before being handed out.

"Easter cannot be canceled!" Zuidema said as he welcomed people to the drive-in church service. "All the powers of Hell tried to do that 2,000 years ago, and it didn't work."

Members of the congregation honked their horns to signify "Amen." When the pastor asked people to respond to questions, they flashed their headlights.

As the church's song leaders prepared, Zuidema encouraged the people in the vehicles to sing out, to "be the weird person at the stoplight" singing at full volume inside a vehicle.

The songs included visiting trumpeter Ken Wolffis, who accompanied the singing of "Christ Arose,"

"Christians are handling this

much differently than the majority of the world." Zuidema said. urging his flock to "behave wisely but pray to God for protection."

Before the Easter service, Pastor Zuidema said that the drivein church idea was facilitated by a parishioner who satisfied the urge to buy an inexpensive FM transmitter a few weeks ago. Those transmitters are very difficult to find now. The transmitter allows people to share a church service together without getting near each other.

"I think we're doing a good job with safety," Zuidema said.

"There's a certain power in being together," he added. "We think we're growing through this."

"A good funeral spits in the face of death," the pastor said near the end of his sermon. "I think a good Easter service does the same