

Prayer & Praise

Please pray for Len Rottman. He did get a back brace to wear to help with steadiness on his feet as planned. Although Tuesday he fell twice; the first fall he landed on his knees and the second fall he fell backwards because of his knees being sore. He is alright but in a lot of pain and very sore. Please pray for God to help him heal quickly and give him comfort.

Please be in prayer for an unspoken prayer request.

Daniel Heavener (Joyce DeFeyer's grandson) who is in the service in Korea, had back surgery today. All went well but needs prayer for his recovery. With everything that is going on, he was not allowed to come home for his surgery so he had it in Korea. Pray for God's healing and comfort.

Pray that missionaries are strengthened physically and mentally against the spiritual warfare they endure. Mark & Heather Overbeek - Alaska

Praise God! Jose's sister who had contract the corona virus and was in the hospital, is now home. Please pray for complete recovery and for God's healing hands to be upon her.

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 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.

Please keep our President and Vice President in your prayers 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.

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, Ken Stroven*

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.)

We would like to remember and honor the men and women who made the ultimate sacrifice while protecting and guaranteeing our freedom. Praise God for them!!

Contacts

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

Office Hours: Mon. - Thurs.- 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Phone: 231-924-4950

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Website: www.frcfremont.org

Facebook: www.facebook.com/frcfremont

YouTube: www.youtube.com/channel/UCTzv9rAB2TBc7N6b-5Y8RCA/

Welcome to Worship

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

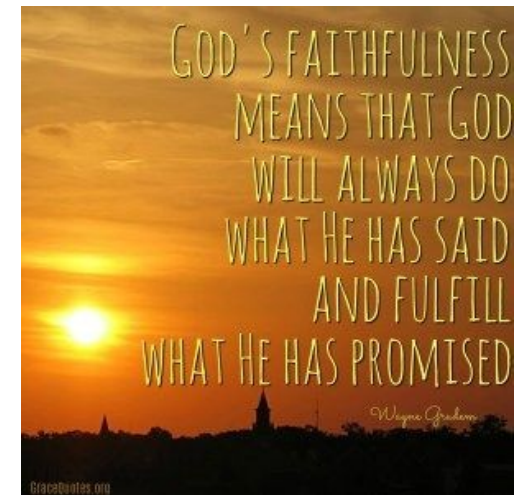
By connecting to each other & Jesus Christ.

By growing personally & helping others grow.

By using our gifts to serve others & God.

Through authentic & God-honoring Worship.

Community Worship



God's faithfulness is best seen by looking in the rearview mirror, remembering what He has done. However, He is faithful in the present and will be faithful in the future. According to His wondrous promises in the shifting sands of time God is always faithful.

Message: The Faithfulness of God; Past, Present, and Future
by Pastor Tom Jasperse, Pastor Drew Sweetman and
Pastor Joel Zuidema

Scripture: Jeremiah 29:4-14

*First Reformed Church
Fremont, MI
May 24, 2020*

Life at FRC

Today at FRC...

10:00 A.M. **No Drive-in service at FRC.** Community service will be held at West Gerber office parking lot on Hemlock St. this Sunday.
7:00 P.M. No Rise Youth Group

This Week at FRC...

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

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

Tues. - Fri. 8:00 A.M. - Noon -Church Office/Building will be open

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

Sat. - 9:00 A.M. FRC Spring Cleanup

Looking Ahead...

May 31 - Special Offering/Food Resource Bank

June 7 - Special Offering for Missions

June 14 - Nomination meeting following church

June 21 - Special Offering for Capital Improvements

July 21 - 7:00 P.M. Congregational meeting

Birthdays...

May 28 - Joe Chase
Charlene Robertson
Eric Schafer

May 29 - Russ Boyd

May 30 - Camden Boyd
Jessica Dornbos



FRC Spring Cleanup will be this Saturday, May 30th at 9:00am. Bring your wheelbarrows, garden supplies and anything else that we can use. The more hands the faster the job will get done. We appreciate anyone who can come and help with cleaning up our church area.

Church Office/Building is now opened from 8:00 a.m. - noon, Tuesday thru Friday. Masks *are encouraged* in the building. Masks are *required* in the secretary's office.

Did you know - You may update your information/picture for our Church Online Directory at any time. Just send your update info/picture to church email address: info@frcfremont. We do encourage you to help us keep this information current.

Church & Community News

The church office now has the ability to get messages out via text to your cell phone. This is no cost to you although you cannot text back to us. This is just another way for us to broadcast news from the church. If you need to respond on a message you will have to call Pastor Joel, the church office or whomever. This is all done through our instant church directory. Text message will start out telling you it is a FRC text and then the message.

Tuesday, May 26th deadline - Graduates (or parents) If you are graduating this year (high school or college), please email to (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 May 25th. **(please note change in date due).**

Small Group Ministry - It is up to the leader's discretion to again begin small groups. Each group is encouraged to honor social distancing guidelines. The church Gathering Center is available for meeting and is equipped with an ionizer/uv air filter as an additional precaution. The Gathering Center may be a safer choice than a small living room. Call the office to schedule a time. Please do not provide childcare for your group.

Mentoring Partners - Those mentoring for profession of faith are invited to meet at your discretion, while honoring social distancing guidelines. Elders would love to have you done with mentoring and ready to meet with them soon to profess faith.

Giving - We commend the giving of FRC. Well done, church! Many volunteer institutions are struggling with income stream. You have rallied to give. Current giving levels are roughly at budget levels.

Drive-in Services -These have been an enormous success. We are averaging 100 cars, and 225 people per service. On Easter we had nearly 300 attend worship. In comparison a good attendance Sunday in the auditorium is 140-160. Nearly 40% of the drive-in service are guests. While many are visiting from other churches during the pandemic and will return to their home church soon, we are happy to see some who are returning to FRC, young adults who didn't worship regularly who find the venue relaxed and enjoyable, and some who have no church home. God be praised! FRC is growing during a pandemic.

Job positions - We will soon be accepting applications for a part time janitor and part time office asst. positions. Details are forth coming.

The glory of God's faithfulness is that no sin of ours has ever made Him unfaithful. Charles Spurgeon

This & That

Harsh Words

I ran into a stranger as he passed by. "Oh excuse me please" was my reply. He said, "Please excuse me too; I wasn't watching for you." We were very polite, this stranger and I. We went on our way and we said good-bye.

But at home a different story is told, how we treat our loved ones, young and old.

Later that day, cooking the evening meal, my son stood beside me very still. When I turned, I nearly knocked him down. "Move out of the way," I said with a frown. He walked away, his little heart broken. I didn't realize how harshly I'd spoken.

While I lay awake in bed, God's still small voice came to me and said, "While dealing with a stranger, common courtesy you use, but the children you love, you seem to abuse. Go look on the kitchen floor, you'll find some flowers there by the door." "Those are the flowers he brought for you. He picked them himself; pink yellow and blue. He stood very quietly not to spoil the surprise, and you never saw the tears that filled his little eyes."

By this time, I felt very small, and now my tears began to fall. I quietly went and knelt by his bed; "Wake up, little one, wake up," I said. "Are these the flowers you picked for me?" He smiled, "I found 'em out by the tree." "I picked 'em because they're pretty like you. I knew you'd like 'em, especially the blue." I said, "Son, I'm very sorry for the way I acted today; I shouldn't have yelled at you that way." He said, "Oh, Mom, that's okay. I love you anyway. I said, "Son, I love you too, and I do like the flowers, especially the blue."

Are you aware that if we died tomorrow, the company that we are working for could easily replace us in a matter of days. But the family we left behind will feel the loss for the rest of their lives. And come to think of it, we pour ourselves more into work than to our own family, an unwise investment indeed, don't you think?

So what is behind the sorry? Do you know what the word FAMILY means? FAMILY = (F)ATHER (A)ND (M)OTHER, (I), (L)OVE, (Y)OU

"To be a peacemaker, let the peace of Christ reign in your heart".