

## Prayer & Praise

**Please be in prayer for the family of Adam and Brittany DeKryger** as Brittany's grandmother, Janet Dykema passed away May 23rd. May our Lord envelope them into His arms and comfort them.

**Please pray** for the Kolk and Deur families as Dave Deur's step dad, Harold Kolk, was called Home to be with the Lord on Sunday, May 24. He was a godly, kind, compassionate man and will be dearly missed.

**We are expecting!** FRC is expecting a number of babies over the next 6 months: Pray for the healthy development for these children and safe deliveries for moms and babies.

**Continue to remember David Messer** in your prayers as he is serving our country in Afghanistan. Also pray for his wife, Jenn and family here who miss him deeply.

**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.)*

*Our Father which art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not in to temptation but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever and ever, Amen*

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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

*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.*

*Holy Spirit:  
Breath of God*

*The Teacher, the Voice, the Guide*



Today is Pentecost Sunday, the Sunday that the Holy Spirit arrives to energize the church of Jesus Christ. Jesus says it's better that He leaves, and that the Spirit comes. Most Christians speak of a deep longing for the golden era of walking and talking with Jesus during his earthly ministry. Yet, Jesus says it's better that we enter the golden age of the Spirit's presence. Why is the Spirit's presence preferable to Jesus' physical presence? And what difference does it make to have the Holy Spirit inside us?

**Message:** *Better the Spirit than Jesus* - by Pastor Joel Zuidema

**Scripture:** John 16:5-15

*First Reformed Church  
Fremont, MI  
May 31, 2020*

## Life at FRC

### Today at FRC...

10:00 A.M. Worship Service/Special Offering/Growing Hope Globally (Food Resource Bank)

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

### Looking Ahead...

June 7 - Worship service/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...

June 4 - AimeeJo Boisvert  
Herb Oakes

June 6 - Doug Johnson

June 7 - Ava Kamphorst  
Joseph Walcott

### Anniversary...

June 6 - Tony & Kayly Grice

**Senior Baccalaureate Service** which was to be held here at FRC has been cancelled this year due to lack of participation.

**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 updated info/picture to church email address: info@frcfremont. We do encourage you to help us keep this information current.

**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.

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

## Church & Community News

**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.

### FRC Reopens Safely and Joyfully Protocol

As we move back inside on June 7, the Executive team of Consistory requests the following to make it a great and safe experience.

1. Wear a mask, if you are willing. They are optional but encouraged. Rationale: we do not want to risk sickening anyone. And, we want to keep our reputation high in Fremont for both being cutting edge AND for safe.
2. There are 3 interior venues with seating prearranged at recommended social distance. Please find a seating pod appropriate to your number of household attendees.
3. There will be family friendly seating pods with coloring pages and tables. Please allow families with young children to make use of these.
4. There will be hand sanitizer prominently placed in all venues and by the church entrance door.
5. Please enter the building and leave the building promptly. Engage in fellowship opportunities outside and at safe, social distance.
6. If you feel concerned or unsafe, we suggest the drive in venue OR listening at home via our web site.
7. Doors will be propped open.
8. Consistory leadership and greeters will wear masks.
9. We request that all cycle through the 3 interior venues. DO NOT LOCK DOWN ON A VENUE. We suspect that the worship auditorium will be preferred by most. We want all share that venue by voluntary rotation. Each week choose a different interior venue. When you have done all three, then begin the cycle again. Consistory members and families will not sit in the worship auditorium on June 7 unless participating in worship.
10. There will be a deacon assigned to each of the 4 venues weekly. See the assigned deacon with any questions or concerns, call the office, or contact your elder.
11. Offerings will be received in the offering box located at the entrance door. An offering box will be available for the drive in venue.
12. Greeting time will be non touch. Practice your air hugs, air handshakes, and air high fives before the mirror prior to coming so you look smooth! Lol!

## This & That



### Congratulations to

Josh and Tiffany Kuiper

on the birth of their son Gabriel Thomas Kuiper  
May 21st at 1:50 a.m.

Weighing 8 lbs. 4 oz. and is 21 inches long.

Congratulations to his grandparents  
Tony and Sadie Haring on a new grandson.



### Congratulations to

Tyler and Natalie Franks

on the birth of their daughter

Magnolia Lou Franks

She was born at Gerber Memorial Hospital  
at 11:48 a.m. on May 7th.

She Weighed 8 lbs.12 oz. and is 20 1/2 inches long

**Date Change to The Challenge for Life - We at Insight Pregnancy Services** have decided to reschedule The Challenge for Life (due to Covid-19) to **July 18th** as it was originally scheduled for June 6th.

There are still 2 options for participation, just on a different date.

Two options for TC4L for you to choose from:

Option 1: **Virtual, on your own.** Decide which of the 4 events you will do. Register online by clicking on the "Register" button on this page. Raise Funds by setting up a fundraising page when you register. It's easy to raise funds online but you can do it old school, offline too. Complete the event anytime it's convenient for you, between June 6<sup>th</sup> and July 18<sup>th</sup>. And, please send us some photos or videos of you and your team doing the event. Drop off or mail in any offline funds you have collected and receive your prizes.

Options 2: **Attend the actual event on July 18th at Resonate Church.** As above, Register online and set up your online fundraising page. Raise funds online or offline. Attend the event in person on Sat. July 18<sup>th</sup>. We are putting protocols for health and safety in place to keep everyone safe. After you register online, we will be able to send timely updates.

This event is extremely important to the health of our organization and we need this support now more than ever! Thank you all so much and we cannot wait to see you all at The Challenge for Life!

**God's Helping Hands** if looking for some fieldstone to do a project. If you should have some that you would be willing to donate, please call Gary Sheppard at 231-924-6116. Thank you for any help you can give us.