

Prayer & Praise

Praise God!! We are thankful to report that Ken Stroven continues to improve. Please continue in prayers on his behalf.

Please keep Brittany DeKryger, Adam, Reyna and family in your prayers as Brittany's aunt Kim Dykema Woods passed away June 3rd. Arrangements are forthcoming for Kim. This is the 2nd large loss for the family, as Brittany's grandmother was laid to rest last week.

Please be in prayer for Dan Price as his scan shows some kind of a tumor, mass or nodule in his stomach...they are not sure at this point what, so they will be doing a scope Tuesday, June 9th to see if they can determine what it is and do a biopsy. Please pray they will determine what it is and that it is not malignant and will not need surgery.

Please pray for Candy Breuker, as she had a biopsy this week and has been diagnosed with stage 1 cancer. She rejoices that it's been detected early and is curable. She's feeling well and is thankful for the prayers.

Praise for God's answer for all your prayers for Mary Johnson. She will finally have surgery for her hernia on Tuesday, June 16. Please pray for the doctor's hands as she operates and for no complications. The surgery will be 6 to 8 hours long. Pray for her health before her surgery.

Judy Kapolka, Staci Stroven's mother, as she now will have to have 6 more weeks of Chemo. Please pray for strength and comfort for her as she goes through another set of Chemo.

Please keep Mike Conn family, Sue Tibbe family, MaryJo Boisvert family and Jennifer Beeler family in your prayers as Mike's son Brian Conn lost his beloved partner, daughter and stepson in an auto accident Tuesday, May 26th. His son Noah is in the hospital with injuries. Prayer for comfort and peace for the family and God's healing hand upon Noah.

Please pray for Brandon Moore, stepson to Sarah Cummins, as he will be deployed today to Africa for approx. 6 months as an Air Force military policeman. His wife, who is also in the Air Force, and 4-month old daughter will stay behind in Ohio. Please pray for safety & protection for Brandon, and for his wife and daughter's well-being while he is gone.

Please keep our President and Vice President in your prayers as they lead our country in this crisis.

Ongoing Health Concerns. Please pray for those who daily battle illness and pains. 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, Judy Kapolka, Ken Stroven*

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

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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

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.

Numbers 11-20: The People Rebel

- Numbers 11:1 – People complained about their misfortunes; the fire of the Lord consumed parts of the camp.
- Numbers 11:2-3 – Moses intercedes and the Lord relents
- Numbers 11:4-6 – People complain about hunger
- Numbers 11:10-35 – Lord sends plague while meat was between their teeth
- Numbers 12 – Miriam and Aaron question

We've been living in the land of in between now for nearly 3 months. The global pandemic affected us all. However, in the time between normal and a new normal, there is much to be learned. Let's visit God's old testament people in the land of in between, spot their reactions, and join with them in the lessons learned about God.

Message: *Land in-between: Lessons Learned*
- by Pastor Joel Zuidema

Scripture: Numbers 11:4-17

First Reformed Church
Fremont, MI
June 7, 2020

Life at FRC

Today at FRC...

9:30 A.M. Welcoming: Frank & RuthAnn Ayre
June 14 - Peggy Grau & Jordan Brocklin
Kiosk: Joyce De Feyter
June 14 - Karen Oakes
Camera: Paydon
June 14 - Kole/Camden
10:00 A.M. Worship Service/Special Offering for Missions
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 14 - Graduation Sunday
Nomination meeting following worship service
June 21 - Special Offering for Capital Improvements
July 21 - 7:00 P.M. Congregational meeting

Birthdays...

June 8 - Valmond Smith
June 10 - Jeff Sheppard
June 12 - Mason Andres
Jaxson Escalante
Lori Westenfelder
June 13 - Wanda Price
Krista Stroven

Anniversary...

June 11 - Randy & Karen O'Neal
Al & Judy Vissia

Thank you to all who helped with the Building & Grounds work day last Saturday morning. The church grounds looks beautiful!

Job Postings - We are accepting resumes for office asst. and janitor positions. Resumes may be turned in to the office, or Pastor Joel, Tom Van-Dusen, Doug Johnson, Judy Vissia, Dave Deur, Sarah Cummins, Kent Hartger or Luke Stroven by **June 14th**. You may view the job descriptions via our website or on our private Facebook site. Interviews will be conducted by the Vision & Personnel Team Wednesday, June 17th.

Church & Community News

150th Anniversary book - We will be putting our order in for the 150th Anniversary book soon. If you would like one, please put your name on the list at the information table in the Gathering Center. To help offset the cost of printing, we are asking for a \$9.00 suggested donation for each copy. Donations can be placed in the envelope at the information table in the Gathering Center. We will not be ordering a lot of extras, so please sign-up if you would like one.

The Nest Upscale Resale is happy to announce that we are back in business. Please consider us when you have items to donate. There is a special need for furniture at this time. Items accepted during regular business hours Monday through Friday 10:00 - 5:00 and Saturday 10:00 - 3:00. Call 924-3930 if questions. We deeply appreciate your support of local Christian education.

North Entrance Repaving - FRC, Praise God that He has gotten us through this pandemic! As we emerge, I'd like to challenge you to a financial matter. The Building and Grounds committee submitted and received approval last summer/fall for widening and repaving the north entrance. This will be done with concrete rather than doing a simple resurfacing with black top. The rationale for concrete is evident when we compare the condition of the parking lot surface under the portico (concrete), compared with the surface of the rest of the parking lot (black top). The concrete is a much longer lasting surface. The cost for the project is \$20,000 which includes a thick pour and base. Last fall the Consistory prioritized the house removal over north entrance paving to save us being taxed on the house. Now, let's complete the north entrance. In addition a new electronic sign will soon be installed. This allows us to message Fremont FRC's big events. I do believe you will see a great visual upgrade between new sign and new north entrance!

For some of us, the last 2 ½ months have been a severe financial strain. For others, we have weathered the storm well financially and are able to give. Can we raise this \$20,000 over the next couple months to repave the north entrance? If you are willing to participate, please mark donations for the paving on the memo line of your check and/or giving envelopes.

FYI: Giving during the past 10 weeks has been strong. We entered the shut-down period with \$40,000 in cash reserves. We now stand at \$47,000. Some will be used for new microphones and some other for a new electronic church sign. It is important for an institution of our size to have cash reserves, so it is not prudent to take an additional \$20,000 paving cost from reserves. So, I put forward this appeal on behalf of Building and Grounds, and the Consistory for resurfacing through special targeted giving. Can you help?

Sincerely,
Pastor Joel

This & That

We encourage you to fill this column with special events, recipes, memories, praises, God moments, even funny stuff, or questions to the Pastor, etc. Please have your submissions to the office by noon on Wednesday. Submissions will be randomly selected. Let the sharing begin....

On behalf of Hand2Hand I would like to thank you for your support during this school year. As you know, these past twelve weeks have been crazy. At the beginning of the pandemic H2H was serving 160 Fremont students. During the first three week of the pandemic H2H arranged food pick up at Inspire Church twice a week. H2H was only averaging 40 bags picked up. After getting together with Ken Haggart, Fremont Schools Superintendent, H2H started sending the H2H bags out every Thursday on the buses. H2H continued once a week with pick up at Inspire Church and added pick up on Thursdays at the MS and Pine St. With many new families now finding themselves with food insecurities our H2H numbers increased to 260. It became increasing hard to find sufficient food for that number and volunteers were limited. As usual, God provided. We are very blessed to live in a generous community. Fremont community members graciously donated food to help us fill the H2H bags. In the twelve weeks of the pandemic H2H has served 2,036 bags of food to Fremont students. Each bag of food contained 2 breakfast items, a lunch, a dinner, and an encouraging note. Due to community financial donations, H2H was able to place a \$10.00 gift certificate from a local restaurant in the last bag. We would like to express our sincere appreciation to your congregation!

As we look forward to next school year, it is my prayer that your church will continue to support H2H. I recently signed up H2H for a Business2Business account with Meijer. This will make bulk buying easier and cheaper. H2H also received an unexpected, generous grant from the Gerber Foundation Health Care Fund managed by the Fremont Area Community Foundation. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 231-225-2183 or at sidjd@comcast.net. Thank you again!

We are accepting donations for TrueNorth Food Pantry - Please consider bringing a donation to church any time Tuesday - Friday, 8:00am - noon and place them on the table at the south entrance of the church. Len comes in on Tuesday mornings to pick all donations up and delivers them to TrueNorth. All donations are greatly appreciated by many. Questions, call Len Rottman ph. #231-335-2261.

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.