

Life at FRC

Today at FRC . . .

Greeters: Tom, Vera
April 12 - Isanharts
Welcome Center: Lisha
April 12 - Lisha
Coffee Cleanup: Les
April 12 - Sammy K.
Coffee Host/Hostess: Candy, Paul
April 12 - Les, Sarah
Newcomer Table: Jason
April 5 - Kim

9:00 A.M. Easter Breakfast/10:00 A.M. Easter Worship Service
NO RISE Youth Group

This Week . . .

Tue. - 9:00 A.M. Worship Planning Meeting
Wed. - NO GEMS/Cadets or Club 57 Youth Group (Spring Break)
Thu. - 6:45 P.M. Praise Team Practice

Looking Ahead . . .

April 12 - Faith Promise Special Offering, Elder/Deacon Nomination Ballot Due
April 13 - 4:30 P.M. Building & Grounds Meeting
April 14 - 6:30 P.M. Elders/Deacons Meetings/7:30 P.M. Consistory Meeting
April 16 - 12:00 Noon Candy VanDusen's Celebration of Life (Visitation at 11)
April 18 - 9:00 AM-5:00 P.M. Private Party (no volunteer/maintenance work)
April 21 - 6:30 P.M. H2H Packing at Inspire Church
April 23 - 12:00 P.M. Prime Timers Lunch (in Fellowship Hall)
April 25 - 8:00 AM-2:00 P.M. Private Party (no volunteer/maintenance work)
April 26 - GEMS Sunday & Special Offering
April 28 - 6:30 P.M. H2H Packing at Inspire Church
May 1 - Christian Education Applications Due

GEMS Sunday - On April 26 (during regular church service) we will be having GEMS Sunday! The girls will lead worship and we will celebrate all that the GEMS

girls have accomplished this year. There will also be a Special Offering for the GEMS International Ministry. Their theme is from Deuteronomy 7:9, "Walk on Water: Stepping Out to Trust Our Faithful God." There will be baskets at the door after the worship service in which you can place your offering if you would like to participate. If you would like to give an offering to our GEMS program here at FRC, please specifically note "FRC GEMS" on your offering envelope or check. Hope to see you at GEMS Sunday!

Kid Connection: Marilyn, Morgan, Aly
April 12 - Camryn, Aly
Worship Center: Closed for Easter
April 12 - Krista, Jenna
Nursery: Brittany, Dawn, Becky, Alaina
April 12 - Christine, Heather, Kylie
Screen Tech: Sarah
April 12 - Amy
Sound Tech: Kent
April 12 - Ryan



FRC News & Events

Thank you SO much to all who supported our 9th Annual Free Prom Dress Giveaway event last weekend! We gave away approx. 125 dresses at our two-day event, with girls coming from more than 15 different school districts, including from as far as Pentwater and Big Rapids. We also gave away 47 Bibles at our Free Bible Table, which we had set up so anyone who needed a Bible to read could take one home. We appreciate everyone who donated dresses and accessories, volunteered at the event, helped with setup and cleanup, and helped to organize and do behind-the-scenes work for the event. Special thanks to KB Photography for taking amazing promotional photos, to our Free Bible Table ministry for setting up Bibles, and to our Free Prom Dress Ministry director Cassie H for continuing to take the time and effort to keep this event going year after year. We appreciate all of you!!

New Small Group Series: The Bible, Simplified - Feeling overwhelmed and confused by the Bible? Bestselling author Zach Windahl breaks down its entire storyline in *The Bible, Simplified*, making Scripture clear, accessible, and life-changing so you can gain confidence in your faith. We know that one size doesn't fit all, so we are encouraging everyone at FRC to get involved in a group that fits with your comfort level. Whether it is a group of married couples, a men's or women's group study, or a trusted group with 2 to 5 other friends, we want to make this accessible and easy to do. This study is planned for 8 sessions - 4 in the spring after Easter and 4 in the fall. Grab a sheet at the Welcome Center or see Pastor Luke for more information!

Check your mailboxes for Elder and Deacon nomination ballots (for confessing members only). Please be in prayer about your nominations. Ballots must be returned to the office by **Sunday, April 12. Please make sure you check your ballot to see who is not eligible at this time to serve due to prior or current service.** Remember all ballots must have your signature on it to make it official.

Help with Hand 2 Hand donations needed!

We have another year of opportunity with H2H to feed hungry kids on the weekends. This year we will be collecting peanut butter, pancake mix, pancake syrup, individually wrapped granola bars, and quart & gallon sized zip closure bags. All jars or bottles need to be plastic & NOT glass, and smaller portioned bottles or single serving packages are best. There is a large box for donations in the Gathering Center near the library, and there is also a box available downstairs near the front doors. Thank you for your help in feeding hungry community kids on the weekends! For more info on this ministry, please visit the website: www.h2hkids.org. Questions, or to make a monetary donation, contact Marj



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Prime Timers - We will meet on Thursday, April 23 at noon here at FRC downstairs in the Fellowship Hall for lunch. The menu will be breakfast casseroles and desserts. Meals are subject to change based on food availability etc. The cost of the meals is \$6. Add your name to the list at the Sign-Up Center if you plan to attend! Bring a friend if you'd like, but please also put their name on the list so we can prepare the proper amount of food.

Creators Camp is June 23-25 - Creators Camp (a VBS alternative) features engaging Bible lessons and fun hobby and craft-style classes for kids in 2nd - 8th grades. Please be in prayer about how you can help! We need teachers, assistants, and support staff to make this event a success! If you don't have an idea for a class but want to teach something, we have MANY easy and fun ideas to choose from that can be set up and planned for you!



You can choose to come to one, two, or all three days to be a part of this exciting opportunity to teach community kids about God and His creation. Successful past classes include painting, rockets, laser tag, food making or decorating, slingshots, potted plants, bath bombs, woodworking, and many more. See Pastor Luke or Sarah C. with any questions or to chat about it!

Interested in learning more about FRC? Visit our website (frcfremont.org) to learn more about ministry opportunities, past sermons, upcoming events, current news, or to submit a prayer request. Do you enjoy social media? Follow us on Facebook (facebook.com/frcfremont) and Instagram (instagram.com/frcfremont)! Be sure to check out our TikTok account by searching: [first.reformed.ch](https://www.tiktok.com/@first.reformed.ch). We have a Facebook group (facebook.com/groups/frcfremont) where we share church news and events, prayer requests, and more. You can also browse past sermons (or watch our Livestream if you're not able to make it to church on some Sundays) on our YouTube channel: www.youtube.com/@frcchurchoffremontmi4915 or on Spotify by searching "First Reformed Church Fremont" on your Spotify app.

Cookie & Baked Goods Donations Needed - Our Sunday mornings run on **faith, fellowship, and frosting**—but we can't do it without you. Have a few extra cookies from that event? Banana bread that needs a bigger audience? Your oven's next baking masterpiece? We're ready to taste it! We have an ongoing need for baked goods to serve at our Sunday morning services. Drop off any donations in the upstairs kitchenette (label with the current date) on Sunday mornings or at the church office during the week. Thank you for your consideration!