

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly hosts Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

***Prayer of Dedication**

***Closing Hymn - "Jesus Saves" - Blue Hymnal #438 (vs 1&4)**

***Benediction**

The LORD bless you and keep you;
The LORD make his face to shine upon you
And be gracious to you;
The LORD turn his face toward you and give you peace.

***Pastor:** The Peace of Christ be with you.
Congregation: And also with you.

***Postlude:** David Vandenbelt

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COLOSSIANS 2:10, NKJV

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July 24, 2022

The Order of Worship

*please stand, if you are able

Prelude: Recorded Music

Welcome and Announcements: Stacey Church

Call to Worship - Psalm 138

Pastor: I give you thanks, O Lord, with my whole heart;
before the gods I sing your praise;

**All: *I bow down toward your holy temple
and give thanks to your name for your steadfast love and
your faithfulness; for you have exalted your name and your
word
above everything.***

Pastor: On the day I called, you answered me,
you increased my strength of soul.

**All: *All the kings of the earth shall praise you, O Lord,
for they have heard the words of your mouth.***

Pastor: They shall sing of the ways of the Lord,
for great is the glory of the Lord.
For though the Lord is high, he regards the lowly;
but the haughty he perceives from far away.
Though I walk in the midst of trouble,
you preserve me against the wrath of my enemies;
you stretch out your hand, and your right hand delivers me.

**All: *The Lord will fulfill his purpose for me;
your steadfast love, O Lord, endures forever.
Do not forsake the work of your hands.***

Pastor: Praise the Lord!

All: *The Lord's name be praised!*

Opening Prayer

***Opening Hymn - "Shout to the Lord" - Sing-a-Long video**

Prayer of Confession

Pastor: Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you
with our whole heart and mind and strength.
We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy
forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are,
and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will
and walk in your way, to the glory of your holy name.

Through Christ, our Lord.

All: *Amen.*

Assurance of Pardon

Pastor: Hear the good news!

Who is in a position to condemn? Only Christ, and
Christ died for us, Christ rose for us, Christ reigns in power for
us, Christ prays for us. Anyone who is in Christ is a new
creation. The old life has gone; a new life has begun.
Know that you are forgiven, and be at peace.

All: *Thanks be to God.*

*Response - Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost,
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen, Amen.

Scripture: Genesis 18:20-32, Colossians 2:6-19

Reader: The Word of the Lord

All: *Thanks be to God*

Message: "Fullness of Christ" - Pastor Luke Schmalz

***Hymn - "More About Jesus"- Blue Hymnal #560**

New Member Reception ~ Carrie DeMull

Pastor to Congregation:

Congregation, do we express our welcome and affirm our mutual
ministry in Christ? If so, please join me in the pledge on the screen
and printed in your bulletin:

***We welcome you with joy in the common life of this church. We
promise you our continuing friendship and prayers as we share the
hopes and labors of the church of Jesus Christ. By the power of the
Holy Spirit may we continue to grow together in God's knowledge
and love, and be witnesses of our risen Savior.***

Moments of Praise & Prayer Requests

Prayers of the Congregation

The Lord's Prayer -

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by thy name. Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done, on 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
into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the
power, and the glory forever. Amen

***Doxology (As the offering is brought forward)**

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Our Church News

Greeting us today: Kelly Parks
Next Sunday: Ted & Jeannie Caris

Happy Birthday to ~

Happy Anniversary to ~

Ted & Barb Clark (26), Bernie & Lissa Denney(29)

Prayer Requests ~

Our shut-ins:

JoAnn DeKleva, Yvonne Lee, Jean Morse, Siria Pinnick, Bill & Millie Sherman

This Week's Calendar

Sunday, July 24

10:00 a.m. Worship
11:15 a.m. Fellowship Time - Fellowship Hall
6:00 p.m.. Worship in the Park - Pastor Luke will be sharing a devotional & the Johnson Brothers will be leading music

Monday, July 25

9:30 a.m. Men's Coffee Time - Fellowship Hall
10:00 a.m. Woodshop Open
6:30 p.m. Executive Council - Library

Tuesday, July 26 - Church Office Closed

Wednesday, July 27

9:30 a.m. Men's Coffee Time - Fellowship Hall
10:00 a.m. Woodshop Open
6:30 p.m. Bible Study - Library

Thursday, July 28 - Church Office Closed

10:00 a.m. Christmas Crafters - Fellowship Hall

Friday, July 29

9:30 a.m. Men's Coffee Time - Fellowship Hall
10:00 a.m. Woodshop Open

Saturday, July 30

Sunday, July 31

10:00 a.m. Worship
11:15 a.m. Fellowship Time - Fellowship Hall

Welcome to worship! We are grateful for your presence - whether you are a visitor or a member we are thankful to be worshipping together. Following worship you are invited to Fellowship Hall for refreshments.

Today's service will be available at our website - www.fremontfcc.org and also on Facebook. And now it is also available in a third location YouTube. Our "channel" can be found at First Congregational Church of Fremont MI. Be sure and check out one of our three locations.

Offering plates are located in the Narthex at this time, we will not be passing them. An usher will bring your offerings to the Chancel for the Pastor to place on the altar.

This morning we welcome to membership Carrie DeMull. Please join us in fellowship hall following after the service for a piece of carrot cake and coffee to welcome Carrie.



Mark your calendar and join us for a Bible study on prayer, focusing on the prayers and teaching of Jesus. A four week study starting July 27 at 6:30 p.m. in the library.

Requested Announcements

You are invited to worship at The Annual Newaygo County Baby Food Festival Community Worship Service will take place on Sunday July 24, 2022 at 6:00 pm in the Fremont Veterans Memorial Park. The community worship service is a time for singing and sharing the praises of Jesus Christ. **Pastor Luke will be sharing a devotional.** Bob Johnson and Greg Johnson will be leading the time of songs, hymns and music. Individuals from the various community churches will be sharing in this worship service.

Save the Date! This fall, First Reformed Church will be hosting a live stream of the annual Revive our Hearts 'True Woman 2022' conference in our auditorium on September 22-24. With a theme entitled 'Heaven Rules,' women will be connected across the world with a reminder to anchor their hearts to the unshakable truth that Jesus is King. Cost to attend is \$15 and includes light meals all 3 days. Please see the Facebook page for more info!