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Welcome to

First Christian Reformed Church



We welcome our visitors and hope that you enjoy worshipping with us. If you are presently seeking a church home, we welcome you to join our fellowship. You will find a visitor card in your pew, please fill one out and place it in the offering bag. If you would like further information about our church, check out our website at www.waupuncrc.com or contact the church office (324-2898).

Large-print bulletins and children's bulletins are available from an usher or in the back-sanctuary rack.

You can listen to sermons from our website as well as view the bulletin. Website address is www.waupuncrc.com

Church Office Hours Tuesday from 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM Thursday from 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM All announcements due in the office by 9:00 AM Thursday Phone: 920-324-2898 email: waupuncrc@gmail.com

9:30 AM Worship Service (*Please stand if you are able)

We Gather In Worship

*Call to Worship

Leader: Yours, O Lord, is the greatness and the power and the glory and the majesty and

the splendor, for everything in heaven and earth in Yours.

All: We give You thanks, and praise Your glorious name!

Leader: Yours, O Lord, is the kingdom; You are exalted as Head over all! Wealth and honor come from You; You are the ruler of all things.

All: We give You thanks, and praise Your glorious name!

Leader: In Your hands are strength and power to exalt and give strength to all.

All: Now, our God, we give You thanks, and praise Your glorious name!

*Opening Songs *Holy Medley *Hosanna *Wonderful, Merciful Savior *God's Greeting, We Greet One Another

We Are Renewed in God's Grace

Confession and Assurance Song: Wonderful Grace of Jesus Congregational Prayer Offertory and Offerings: Local Budget

God Speaks through His Word *Scripture: Ephesians 1:3-14 Sermon: Our Spiritual Identity

Accompanist Brenda Hofman

Children & Worship Leader: Pat Jonker Helpers: Aubryn De Jager Zach Vander Werff

Elder/Deacon Greeters Norm Buwalda Ben Mulder

Fellowship Coffee Jim & Lois Groenewold

Greeters Ray & Brenda Hofman

Nursery Emily Mulder, Michelle Mulder, Mikayla Zonnefeld

Sound System Pete Vander Werff

Transportation Bob Mulder (382-0926)

Ushers Jesse Buteyn Glen Greenfield Brandon Kitchner Arent Venhuizen

Video Projection Mike Vander Berg

Missionary Letters Steve S. to Daryl Pfantz Ken Ten Pass to Neen Todd S. to Chaplain Peter+

⁺*Please pray especially for this missionary family this week*

We Respond to God's Word

*Song of Response: Once Again

We Leave to Serve God

*God's Parting Blessing *Closing Song: Benediction

*Postlude

No PM Worship Service for January Both Churches are doing Church Wide Bible Study

Worship Notes

Today Rev. Harv Roosma will lead our morning worship services.

Deacons Report

February Cause: Reach Waupun

A letter has been put into your mailbox explaining the services that the Pregnancy Resource Center provides. You are encouraged to prayerfully consider giving to this cause.

Our Family

GREETINGS FROM PASTOR HARV AND KATHY: We have now arrived in Waupun and we thank you for the privilege of doing ministry here for a time. As we get acquainted I would like to extend an invitation. If you would like to talk to me regarding my role here, or anything else, I invite you to contact me so we can set up a time. You can email me at harvroosma@gmail.com. You can call or text me at 616 402 1342. Thank you again and Kathy and I look forward to meeting you all.

Please remember to contact your Elder for any concerns that arise. The new listing of Elders and Deacons per Care Group are listed at the bottom of the bulletin. If you would like the Prayer Chain, please contact Gladys @ 920-210-5329.

Birthdays	January		<u>January</u>
Jeanette Tjepkema	27	Norm Buwalda	31
Gene Hofman	31	Kim Root	31
Cara Schmitt	2		

As you pray this week please remember these people in your prayers:

- Tabbie Vander Werff as she prepares for back surgery on January 29. May she have peace and comfort as she awaits and pray for relief.
- Morris Te Grootenhuis as he is now on Hospice. Pray for Bea and the family as they surround him.
- Janet Ver Hage as she has continues cancer treatments.
- Margaret Miedema as she continues to seek answers for the weakness and pain in her legs.
- Faith Miedema as she continues to heal.
- Jeanette Tjepkema as she recovers from a fall and broken foot.
- Carlie Jansen, that everything goes good with her pregnancy and further care.
- Travis & Jessica Mulder, as they continue to deal with health issues.
- Laura Ten Pass as she continues with cancer treatments.
- Leanne Johnson continue to pray for healing.

It can be easy to forget about those that we don't see every week, so we are including a list of shut-ins within our congregation. We hope that you will take some time to visit, send cards, and pray for these members of our family. As Romans 12:10 says, "Be devoted to one another in brotherly love. Honor one another above yourselves."

- Joyce Haan
- Wilma Navis

If at any time you would like your name added to or taken off the prayer list, please contact Gladys.

If you are interested in the church secretary position, please contact Steve Homan. Knowledge of Microsoft Office a plus!

Thank you for the words of sympathy and cards after the passing of our brother-in-law, Lee Nummerdor. **Dan & Gladys Montsma**

The sound committee is looking for people who are interested in helping with the sound system. If you are interested, please talk to Joe Bresser.

First Place 4 Health is starting a new season at First CRC. A New You is possible with the support of First Place 4 Health, a Christ-centered weight loss group which focuses on emotional, mental, physical and spiritual wellness. Classes will start on Monday evening, Feb 4th at 6PM and Tuesday morning, Feb 5th at 9AM. Please call Toni Hofman at 920-960-2748 if you would like to join us or would like more information. Anyone, from any church is welcome.

If you still would like either the devotional journal or the book *Grace is Greater*, please contact Gregg Zonnefeld. Those who wish to make a donation for their materials for this round of the Bible Study may do so via envelope in the offering. Each book is \$10.

Church News

If your group is planning to use the church for any event, please make sure that you have reserved it through the church secretary in advance. Thank you.

YOUTH GROUP SPAGHETTI SUPPER – Looking for an excuse not to cook? Well, your high schooleres have you covered! Mark your calendars as the Youth Groups of Bethel and 1st CRC will be having a spaghetti supper at Bethel CRC on Wednesday, February 27th, starting at 5:00 and going until 7:30. This will be a free will donation supper that will go towards our summer retreat. We look forward to serving you and your family! Thanks again for all your support of our youth!

ANNUAL FUN NIGHT! – After much success last year, the Youth Groups of Bethel CRC and 1st CRC will be holding a FUN NIGHT VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT and baked goods sale on Saturday, March 9th, at CWC. A free will dinner will be provided again along with entertainment and care for your younger kids. More details will be following but wanted to get the word out on our date so you can be planning your team. This was very fun last year, and with combined church youth groups we hope for a good turnout. All proceeds will go towards our retreat. If you are interested in signing up a team, please emailBryant.greenfield@gmail.com or call/text 920-948-5050. Thanks much!

The Freshman class of Central Wisconsin Christian invites you to enjoy a great meal on Tuesday, January 29th. Come out to fellowship with others and enjoy some basketball games. A free-will donation meal will be served from 4:30-6:30PM

CWC Pre-K Registration opens January 26th: Central Wisconsin Christian will begin taking enrollment sign-ups for our Pre-K programs on Saturday, January 26th. Our on-line registration process will begin at 8AM for our three-day 4K (AM or PM) and two-day Transitions 3/4K AM class. Spaces are limited and in high demand. For more information, you can look on line at discovercwc.org, or call the Advancement Office at 920.324.4233.

Four Chaplains Memorial Service Planned: Waupun VFW Post 6709 will be hosting a service to honor and remember the sacrifice of the Four Chaplains who perished when the USAT Dorchester was sank on February 3, 1943. All veterans' organizations and their auxiliaries are invited to present their Colors and their Post flags. The service will be held at Waupun Area Junior/Senior High School in Waupun at 1 p.m. on Monday, February 4, 2019. This service remembers the four chaplains who remained on the ships slanted aft deck, standing together, arms linked, heads bowed in prayer, as the Dorchester slipped beneath the waves. The ship had been torpedoed by a German submarine claiming 605 lives. The Chaplains after helping hundreds of others evacuate the ship, gave up their life jackets and their lives, to help save 230 others.

Calendar

Today:	8:00 AM	Bible Study @ Church
	9:30 AM	AM Worship Service @ 1 st CRC
	10:45 AM	Sunday School & Catechism
	10:45 AM	Bible Study @ Church
	4:30 PM	Bible Study @ TBD
	6:00 PM	Bible Study @ Church
	6:00 PM	Bible Study @ TBD
Tuesday:	8:00 AM	Prayer Meeting
	6:30 PM	Elders Meeting
Wednesday:	6:30 PM	GEMS @ Bethel CRC
	6:30 PM	Cadets @ the Union
	6:30 PM	Council Meeting
	7:00 PM	Youth Group @ the Union
	7:00 PM	Bible Study @ TBD
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Next Week

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Children & Worship Leader: Jenna Mulder Helpers: Elise Ritzema Gretchen Hoekstra

Elder/Deacon Greeters

Fellowship Coffee Denny & Nancy Vande Berg

Greeters Ray & Brenda Hofman Nursery Mackenzie Mulder Andrea Buwalda Jolie Schouten

Offering: Local Budget January Cause: Pregnancy Resource Center (Dodge Cty)

Sound System Eric Homan

Ushers Noah Molder Josh Schouten Zach Vander Werff Thomas Venhuizen

Video Projection Katie De Jager

Elder/Deacon Greeters

Tom Jonker/ Randell Greenfield

Group	<u>Elder</u>	Deacon
1	Don Pausma	Jon Mulder
2	Merle Schouten	Joe Bresser
3	Bob Mulder	
4	Gary DeJager	Eric Homan
5	Norm Buwalda	Ben Mulder
6	Tom Jonker	Randall Greenfield
7	Steve Homan	
8	Kevin Buwalda	Andy Schlieve



Proclaiming Evidence for Truth

THIS WEEK'S CREATION MOMENT

Luther on Genesis



Hast thou not known? hast thou not heard, that the everlasting God, the LORD, the Creator of the ends of the earth, fainteth not, neither is weary? there is no searching of his understanding. – Isaiah 40:28

There is a common view abroad which suggests that so-called Young Earth Creationism is an invention of

the 20th Century and that no such creationist ideas existed in centuries earlier. It is not difficult to test whether such an opinion is correct or not. All we have to do is check some early commentaries on Genesis.

Martin Luther wrote an extensive commentary on Genesis in which there are a number of issues relevant to creationism where Luther had strong views. One of these was the age of the Earth. On this subject, Luther wrote: From Moses however we know that 6000 years ago the world did not exist.

A theistic evolutionist might retort that this was what everyone believed in Luther's day. Not so. Luther comments on those who have other views, saying: Aristotle leaves the problem in doubt whether or not the world is eternal, yet he is inclined to the opinion that it is eternal.

Luther understands that a biblical position is in opposition to the prevailing philosophical opinions of his time. Augustine, for example, had developed an elaborate allegory to explain Genesis. Luther made short work of that view. With respect, therefore, to this opinion of Augustine, we conclude that Moses spoke literally and plainly and neither allegorically nor figuratively.

So Martin Luther's commentary appears to leave no opening for those who want to suggest that the world is millions of years old.

Ref: Luther's Commentary on Genesis (Project Gutenberg), accessed 12/30/2017. Image: Public Domain.

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