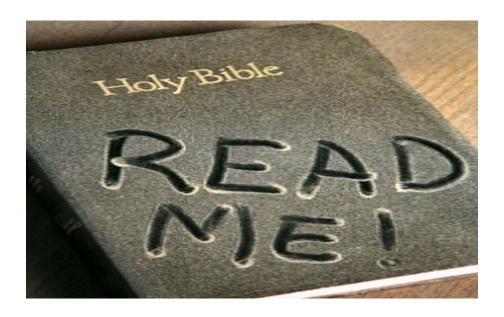
Welcome to First Christian Reformed Church



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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 Pastor Craig (920-539-3848) or the church office (324-2898).

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

You are able to 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

Prelude

*Call to Worship

*Praise Team

*God's Greeting and We Greet One Another

We Are Renewed in God's Grace

Preparatory – G976

Song: Cry of my Heart

Congregational Prayer

Offertory and Our Offerings: Local Budget

Children are dismissed for Walk Out

Worship

God Speaks through His Word

Song: Hungry

*Scripture: Joshua 1:1-9

Sermon: Savoring the Word

We Respond to God's Word

*Song of Response: Thy Word - R184

We Leave to Serve God

*God's Parting Blessing

*Closing: Sing Praise to God Above - G465

vs. 4

*Postlude

Accompanist

Cara Aylesworth

Children & Worship

Leader: Jessica Ten Pass

Helpers: Shirley Otto

Ethan Schulz

Elder/Deacon Greeters

Tom Jonker

Randall Greenfield

Fellowship Coffee

Michael & Danielle Jansma

Greeters

Marty & Margaret Miedema

Nursery

Marilyn Mulder Dominique Van Hill Miranda Vander Berg

Sound System

Scott Ritzema

Transportation

Morris TeGrootenhuis

(539-0438)

Louie Wierenga (324-3683)

Ushers

Jesse Buteyn Glen Greenfield Brandon Kitchner Harm Venhuizen

Video Projection

Katie DeJager

Missionary Letters

Michael J. to Daryl Pfantz+ Norm J. to Neen Leanne J. to Chaplain Peter

*Please pray especially for this missionary family this week

6:00 PM Worship Service (*Please stand if you are able)

Prelude

Call to Worship

*God's Greeting

Opening Songs led by Michelle Mulder

Prayers of the People led by Brian O'Donovan

We Study God's Word: Romans 1:16-17 ~ Lord's Day 23

*Song of Response: Stand up, Stand up - G559 vs 1, 3, & 4

*Affirmation of our Faith: HC Q&A 60 & 61

Q. How are you right with God?

- A. Only by true faith in Jesus Christ. Even though my conscience accuses me of having grievously sinned against all God's Commandments and of never having kept any of them, and even though I am still inclined toward all evil, nevertheless, without my deserving it at all, out of sheer grace, God grants and credits to me the perfect satisfaction, righteousness, and holiness of Christ, as if I had never sinned nor been a sinner, as if I had been as perfectly obedient as Christ was obedient for me. All I need to do is to accept this gift of God with a believing heart.
- Q. Why do you say that by faith alone you are right with God?
- A. It is not because of any value my faith has that God is pleased with me. Only Christ's satisfaction, righteousness, and holiness make me right with God. And I can receive this righteousness and make it mine in no other way than by faith alone.

*Benediction

*Closing Song: Doxology -R815

*Postlude

Worship Notes

Next Sunday we begin our trek through the Bible. In every story there is a central character. In the Bible that is God. As the first scene opens we find God creating a masterpiece: the universe. And the crown of this creation is Adam and Eve. Yet, all things from birds of the air to fish of the sea, from plants and stars, all bow down to the One who created them. We need to start there as well.

Verse of the Week: Do not let this Book of the Law depart from your mouth; meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do everything written in it. Then you will be prosperous and successful. Joshua 1:8

This week be in prayer for:

- Iran as they face continued protests
- Eastern U.S. as they experience a "bomb cyclone"
- Those struggling with pornography

Give thanks to God for:

- Protection from the cold
- Blessings that you take for granted
- His Word

Whom have you shown grace to in the past week? To whom will you show grace to this week?

Upcoming Special Service

1/7/2018	9:30 AM	Preparatory
1/14/2018	9:30 AM	Communion & Baptism of Caleb Mulder
1/21/2018	7:00 PM	Combined evening worship @ Bethel CRC

Deacons Report

Electronic giving is now available. If you would like to get setup send an email to Jon Venhuizen at jnvnhzn@gmail.com

The Benevolent Fund continues to enjoy a healthy balance. Please look for ways for us to help those in need in our community especially as we enter the winter season.

For Brother Bob Ministry donations please make checks payable to First CRC and put Brother Bob in the Memo or mark it on your envelope.

If you are making a donation to the maintenance and remodeling project, please label the envelope or check Capital Improvements. This will help the deacons. Thank you!

January cause: Neen Benevolent Needs: To help supplement Brother Bob's ministry in the Philippines.

Last Week's Offerings

Local Budget \$2,859.00 Bethany Christian Services \$ 295.00

Our Family

<u>Birthdays</u>	<u>January</u>		<u>January</u>
Bill Hoekstra	8	Branda Hofman	9
Mark Hofman	11		

Anniversaries January
Sam & Sylvia Vander Galien 8

Thank you to everyone who came to visit me after my surgery. Thank you to each of you who brought my family a wonderful meal and also for the many cards and prayers for healing. Your time, kindness and Christian love means a lot to me. **-Cara Aylesworth**



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

- Brian Van Herwaarden's dad, Al as he recovers from surgery.
- Danielle Jansma as she recovers from foot surgery. Pray for patience and a quick recovery.
- John, Ken & Gardie Ten Pas' grandson as he continues to heal from surgery.
- Ben & Alyssa Homan as Eden adjusts to becoming a part of their family and they start medical treatment.
- Laura Ten Pass as she goes through treatments for the spots that were found. Pray for peace and healing.
- Leann Johnson as she has finished chemo treatments and awaits the beginning or radiation. Pray for renewed strength and the elimination of any cancer.
- Brandon Kitchner as he recovers from surgery on his foot. Pray for quick healing and patience.
- Carlie Jansen as she has received news that there is no change.

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
- Winnie Kuiper
- Wilma Navis
- Lee Heideman

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

Church News

If you would like to join the **profession of faith class** this is the **last week** to let Pastor Craig know. Please send him the dates and times that work best for you. Email PC at pastorvanhill@gmail.com

SWaT is meeting Wednesday, January 10th at 6:00pm at First CRC.

The Cadets are selling Eatons pizzas as our fundraiser again this year. They are \$7.60 each or 5 for \$36. Please contact one of the Cadets boys or Ben Homan (920)9487437 if you would like to buy some and support our group.

HS Preview Day: Prospective high school students interested in learning more about the top-notch, biblically-based program at Central Wisconsin Christian are invited to join the High School Preview Day on Friday, January 12th. Students will experience a day as a CWC student by visiting classes, chapel, interactive presentations, and more. To find out more information and to RSVP, call the Advancement Office at 920.318.1349, and don't miss out!! Invite your friends!

WC Pre-K Registration opens January 27th: Central Wisconsin Christian will begin taking enrollment sign-ups for our Pre-K programs on Saturday, January 27th. 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.

First Place 4 Health is a Christ centered weight loss program. Come and see what it is all about! Orientation is next Monday Jan. 8th at 6PM, and Tues. Jan. 9th at 9AM, both in the lower level. If you would like to know more, come to the orientation. We will give an overview of the program and at that time you can decide if it is for you. Need more information, give Toni Hofman a call at 920-960-2748. Regular classes will start on Jan 15th and 16th.

Please consider participating in the **Red Cross Blood Drive on Thursday, January 18, 2018 at Edgewood Community Church** in Waupun. We will be open from 11:30 A.M. to 4:30 P.M. Reservations are appreciated but not required. If you do make a reservation please consider completing the Rapid Pass before you arrive. Looking forward to seeing you there.

Warm up with some homemade soup! Wednesday, January 17, 5-7 pm – Join us at a Soup Supper to support our mission trip to the Dominican Republic, 2nd Christian Reformed Church, 332 Tamarack St, Randolph. Free will donations accepted.

Calendar

Today: 9:30 AM AM Worship Service

10:45 AM Sunday School & Catechism

6:00 PM PM Worship Service

Wednesday: 2:30 PM Mary Martha @ Prairie Ridge

6:00 PM SWaT @ 1St CRC

6:30 PM Council Meeting

Next Sunday: 9:30 AM AM Worship Service

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Next Week

Accompanist
Lois Mulder

Children & Worship

Leader: Dominique Van Hill

Helpers: Megan Greenfield
Jolie Schouten

Elder/Deacon Greeters

Merle Schouten Joe Bresser

Fellowship Coffee

Pete & Tabbie Vander Werff

Greeters

Wayne & Faith Miedema

Musical Praise

Toni Hofman

Nursery

Danielle & Marissa Jansma

Mikayla Zonnefeld

Offering: Local Budget

January Cause: Neen Benevolent

Needs

Prayer

Ken Homan

Sound System

Pete Vander Werff

Transportation

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Jesse Buteyn

Glen Greenfield

Brandon Kitchner

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Proclaiming Evidence for Truth THIS WEEK'S CREATION MOMENT

Chicken or Egg - Which Came First?



And God blessed them, saying, Be fruitful, and multiply, and fill the waters in the seas, and let fowl multiply in the earth. –Genesis 1:22

Which came first – the chicken or the egg? Well, I'm happy to report that this age-old dilemma has

finally been solved. It was the chicken that came first – something that creationists have known all along. After all, the Bible tells us that God created every winged fowl and gave them the ability to reproduce after their kind.

Though atheistic evolutionists don't look for answers in the Bible, they have now come to the same conclusion as those of us who do take the Bible seriously. According to a news item in the U.K.'s DailyMail, "Researchers found that the formation of egg shells relies on a protein found only in a chicken's ovaries. Therefore, an egg can exist only if it has been inside a chicken."

The article adds that the OC-17 protein acts as a catalyst to speed up the development of the shell. This hard shell is essential to house the yolk and its protective fluids while the chick develops inside.

Professor John Harding, an evolutionist from Sheffield University's Department of Engineering Materials, predictably left God out of the picture when he said, "Nature has found innovative solutions that work for all kinds of problems in materials science and technology – we can learn a lot from them."

Professor Harding, the only reason why we find innovative solutions in nature for all kinds of problems is because nature itself reflects the creative genius of its Creator!

Ref: They've cracked it at last! The chicken DID come before the egg," DailyMail, 7/14/10. Photo: Newly hatched chicks. Pixabay. (PD)

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