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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 rack at the back of the sanctuary.

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

Vision Statement: With the help and presence of our living Lord, we seek to energize and transform lives and maintain the essence of the historic Reformed faith in our worship, service, and fellowship; and to pass on our faith to others.

Church Office Hours Tuesdays from 9:00–12 Noon All announcements due in the office by 12:00 noon Thursday Phone: 920-324-2898 email: waupuncrc@gmail.com Pastor Harv: 616-402-1342

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

We Gather In Worship

Prelude

- *Call to Worship
- *Opening Songs:

"He Is Here"

"This I Believe"

"It Is Well"

*God's Greeting and We Greet One

Another

We Are Renewed in God's Grace

Preparatory for the Lord's Supper

Song: "My Jesus I Love Thee"

Congregational Prayer

Offertory and Our Offerings:

Children are dismissed for Walk Out

Worship

God Speaks through His Word

*Scripture: Acts 2:1-13

Sermon: New Power

We Respond to God's Word

Song of Response: "There is a Redeemer"

We Leave to Serve God

*God's Parting Blessing Closing: "Benediction" *Postlude Accompanist Laura Ten Pass

Children & Worship Leader: Jessica Ten Pass Elise Ritzema Arent Venhuizen

Elder/Deacon Greeters Steve Homan Keith Venhuizen

Fellowship Coffee Michael & Danielle Jansma

Greeters Mike & Bonnie Vander Berg

Nursery Marilyn Mulder Tirzah Ritzema

Sound System Scott Ritzema

Transportation Bob Mulder (382-0926)

Ushers Thomas Venhuizen Ray Hofman Al Holden Will Bronkhorst

Video Projection LeAnne Holden

Missionary Letters T Ten Pass to Daryl Pfantz+ B Van Herwaarden to Neen D Vande Berg to Chaplain Pete

⁺*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

We Study God's Word: 1 Peter 3:15 and Psalm 139:13-16

*Song of Response: "And Can It Be"

*Affirmation of our Faith: Apostles' Creed

*Benediction

*Closing Song: "Doxology"

*Postlude

Worship Notes

This morning Pastor Harv will lead us in worship as we look at Acts 2:1-13. This evening Grant Baumgart will lead our worship.

November 3 is designated as the **International Day of Prayer for the Persecuted Church**. We will be showing a video during the offertory this morning to remember this important day. Please continue to pray for our persecuted brothers and sisters around the world.

Deacons Report

All loose cash offerings will go to the month's special offering, while any loose and undesignated checks will go to the local budget.

Last Week's Offerings Local Budget: \$3.207.15 Gideons: \$1,035.05

Our Family

Please remember to contact your Elder for any concerns that arise. The Elders and Deacons by Care Group are listed in the bulletin.

Parents of college students: Please send your child's address to the church email (waupuncrc@gmail.com) or put them in Allegra's mailbox.

A big **thank you** to George and Karen Aalsma for their years of service in preparing the **Communion Table**. The Council is asking for **volunteers to** take their place in preparing the Communion Table.

November Birthdays

Keith Venhuizen	3	Silas Mulder	6
Elise Ritzema	4	Casey Homan	7
Norm Jansma	5	Leanne Johnson	9
Winnojean Scheuers	5	Kim Greenfield	9
Todd Schouten	5		

As you pray this week, please remember these people:

- Janet Ver Hage as she continues to undergo chemo treatment.
- Carlie Jansen, that she continues to do well.
- Laura Ten Pass as she continues with cancer treatments.
- Leanne Johnson, continue to pray for healing.
- Paul Vande Kolk as he has been diagnosed with lung cancer and is starting treatment.
- Carol Navis as she is receiving radiation.
- Karen Aalsma, as she recovers from surgery.
- Kathy Kamphuis, as she recovers from surgery.

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
- Jeanette Tjepkema

We would like to thank the congregation for the many expressions of gratitude shown to us during October for Pastor Appreciation Month. It is a joy to serve here with you in Waupun and we are grateful for this opportunity. We see so much evidence of God's work in the past, how He is working now, and look forward to what we will see God do in the future. Thank you for encouraging and supporting us in this interim time. The gift of the hot air balloon ride is something we will look forward to doing in the spring as they had no more available reservations this fall. Thank you for that surprising and exciting gift! Pastor Harv and Kathy

Church News

PRAYER: We have prayer groups praying through the transition process at First CRC and we want to invite the entire church specifically into prayer with us. This week we ask you to pray for the transition team and the council in the process of rethinking the vision of First CRC. We ask that you pray that we will all be led by the Holy Spirit as we seek to discern God's will. We will keep you updated on the progress. We also invite all to attend the Tuesday AM prayer time at 8:00 at the church or the Sunday morning prayer time in the church basement at 8:45. Thank you for your prayers.

The council is proposing that women be allowed to serve as deacons at First CRC Waupun so we can better utilize the gifts that God has given us to live out our vision as a church. A congregational meeting will be held **Monday**, **Nov. 4, at 6:30 PM** to vote on the proposal. The vote will require 75% approval in order for it to be adopted. Absentee ballots will be available. There is a sign-up sheet in the back of church if you would like to receive more reading material on the subject of women as deacons.

Fall season will soon be wrapping up with Christmas just around the corner. The middle school kids of SWaT will once again be collecting goodies to package for **Operation Christmas Child**. The last few years we have packed between 100 and 150 shoeboxes for underserved kids around the world...that's a lot of gift giving! **We will be collecting from now until Sunday, Nov. 10**, and you can put your donations in the barrel or box in the back of church. For details on what (and what NOT) to donate, please go to www.samaritanspurse.org. Shoeboxes are collected for ages 2-14. Here are a few ideas to get you started! 1) A "wow" item such as doll, stuffed animal, ball, or clothing; 2) Personal care items; 3) School supplies; 4) Crafts, toys, activities; 5) Clothing. Thank you for all your help!

Next Sunday evening the African Children's Choir will be performing in our church as part of mission emphasis. This truly spectacular concert full of inspirational video storytelling, beautiful voices, and lively African songs will start **at 6:30 PM**. This is an event you won't want to miss!

Our church will be ringing the **Salvation Army Bells** on Dec. 6 and 7 at Walgreens. At least eight people are needed to work two-hour shifts. Talk to Arky Navis if you have questions and/or to sign up (home: 324-2859; cell: 210-3016).

Save the Date: December 15, "A Night in Bethlehem"

Live Nativity from 4:00-5:00 Meal served from 4:00-5:30 Christmas Story retold at 5:45

We need your help:

- 1. Watch for sign-up sheets for food donations
- 2. Carolers (watch for a sign-up sheet)
- 3. Characters in costume for the Live Nativity and the Christmas Story
- 4. Help with getting animals and hay bales.

Please talk to Gregg or Kristi if you are interested in helping in any way to reach our neighbors and community with this special churchwide event. Please pray for all the details and for our guests to be touched with what happened in Bethlehem.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Youth for Christ is holding their **Comedy Café Fundraiser** in Waupun on Nov. 5. Don't miss this unforgettable evening of desserts, student testimony, and comedian John Branyan, helping raise money and awareness for the

ministry of YFC throughout the area. Admission is free but reservations are required. For more information or to make reservations call toll 920-923-1416 or visit www.badgerlandyfc.org.

Ever wonder how enjoying some great chili could directly impact the life of a child? Attend the 8th Annual Beautiful Response Chili Supper on Tuesday, Nov. 5, from 4:30-7:00 PM at Bethel CRC and support Beautiful Response as it provides the life-changing gift of education for children at the orphanage, Raising Up Hope in Uganda (RUHU). This event is sponsored by the CWC Boys' Soccer Program and all funds raised will go to ensure that the children at RUHU continue to receive an education.

Mark your calendar for an evening of hilarity as the **CWC High School drama** club presents a comedy Double Feature on Nov. 7-9 at 6:30 PM. First, enjoy fun for all ages with Bestest Bedtime Stories (Told By Grandpa) where fairy tale actors try to keep up with Grandpa's (silly) version of the details. Then stick around for Every U.S. Election Ever—a wildly fast-paced modern satire of American politics, from George Washington to Donald Trump. Tickets are on sale through the CWC office or at 920-324-4233.

Seibel Family Christmas Concert: On Saturday, Dec. 21, Trinity Church will be taking a group to the Seibel Family Singers Annual Christmas Concert at the Fond du Lac High School Performing Arts Center. For anyone interested in attending the 1:00 PM performance, the church bus will be available for transportation and will leave the church at noon. There is no cost for the tickets, but tickets are limited and need to be reserved by calling the church office at 920-324-2400.

Salute to Veterans: Celebrate the contributions to freedom of our veterans, as Central Wisconsin Christian hosts its annual "Salute to Veterans" on Tuesday, Nov. 12, at 2:00 PM in the Crusader Centre. All veterans in attendance will be individually recognized and honored for their service, as together we pause to remember that freedom isn't free!

Calling all teens/parents/community members! You won't want to miss this powerful and dynamic talk – join us as this team of national advocates will help our community ignite a conversation around important topics such as bullying and suicide prevention; thru a powerful approach that helps to save lives. All ages are welcome to join us on Thursday, Nov. 14, at 6 PM at the Waupun High School! RISE TOGETHER, is a nonprofit that is on a mission to prevent addiction by educating, engaging, and empowering youth to use their voice for change; breaking the silence around addiction and mental health. For more info visit: www.weallrisetogether.org

An Invitation for Thanksgiving Day Dinner from Pella Lutheran Church

A special invitation is extended to singles, couples and/or families who are alone or unable to prepare the traditional Thanksgiving Day dinner. Pella's 30th annual Thanksgiving Day meal will be served at 12 noon on Thursday, Nov. 28, in the church fellowship hall. Please phone a reservation in to Jan Harmsen (920-642-3732) or Lora Huizenga (324-3321 ext. 101) by Friday, Nov. 15, so they know how much food to prepare. Persons needing transportation in Waupun may also indicate this. There is no charge for attending, just bring a hearty appetite.

<u>Calendar</u>

Today:	8:45 AM	Prayer Meeting in church basement
	9:30 AM	AM Worship Service
	10:45 AM	Sunday School and Catechism
	5:00 PM	Bible Study @ Scott & Jen's
	6:00 PM	PM Worship Service
Monday:	6:30 PM	Congregational Meeting
Tuesday:	8:00 AM	Prayer Meeting
Wednesday:	9:00 AM	Coffee Break @ Bethel CRC
	10:00 AM	Men's Morning Bible Study @ Mike V.
	6:30 PM	Men's Night Bible Study @ First CRC
	6:30 PM	Cadets at the Union
	6:30 PM	GEMS at Bethel CRC
Thursday	6:45 PM	Christian Fellowship
Saturday	6:00 PM	Bible Study at Dan & Gladys
Sunday:	8:45 AM	Prayer Meeting in church basement
	9:30 AM	AM Worship Service
	10:45 AM	Sunday School and Catechism
	6:00 PM	PM Worship Service

Next Week

Accompanist Cara Schmitt

Children & Worship

Leader: Mackenzie Mulder Jolie Schouten Jaxon Buteyn

Elder/Deacon Greeters

Gary De Jager Brian Van Herwaarden

Fellowship Coffee

Pete & Tabbie Vander Werff

Greeters

Sam & Sylvia Vander Galien

Nursery

Keith & Laura Venhuizen Cassidy Ritzema

Offering: Local Budget November Cause: Food Pantry

Sound System

Tyler Jansen

Ushers

Thomas Venhuizen Ray Hofman Al Holden Will Bronkhorst

Video Projection

Mike Vander Berg

Group	Elder	Deacon
1	Joe Durant (2022)	Jon Mulder (2021)
2	Merle Schouten (2020)	Joe Bresser (2020)
3	Keith Venhuizen (2022)	
4	Gary De Jager (2021)	Brian Van Herwaarden (2022)
5	Dan Montsma (2022)	Eric Schaver (2022)
6	Tom Jonker (2020)	Randall Greenfield (2020)
7	Steve Homan (2020)	
8	Kevin Buwalda (2021)	Andy Schlieve (2021)

Worship Notes