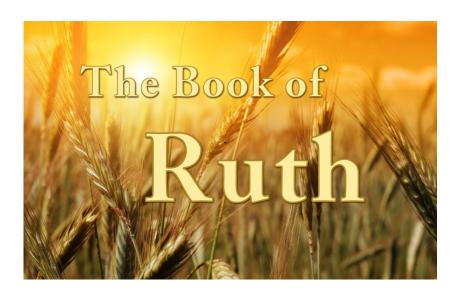
Welcome to First Christian Reformed Church



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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)

WEEK 2: PEACE

Prelude

Call to Worship

*Songs of Anticipation:

O Come, O Come, Immanuel - G328 vs

1-4

Silent Night! Holy Night! - G344

Advent Candle Lighting: Peace

Advent Prayer

The God of Peace Greets Us

Song of Reassurance: All Glory Be to

God on High - G247

Confession and Assurance

Song of Praise: Hark the Glad Sound!

The Savior Comes - G335

Offering: Local Budget

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture: Ruth 2

Sermon: Peace Under God's Wings

Song of Response: Hark the Herald

Angels Sing - G345

God's Parting Blessing

Closing Song: Savior, Again to Your Dear Name We Raise - G319 vs 4

Accompanist

Laura Ten Pass

Children & Worship

Leader: Pat Jonker **Helpers:** Miranda Vander Berg

Aubryn DeJager

Elder/Deacon Greeters

Al Venhuizen Brian O'Donovan

Fellowship Coffee

Denny & Nancy Vande Berg

Greeters

Norm & Shirley Jansma

Nursery

Becca Vree

Phylicia Bronkhorst Josie Venhuizen

Sound System

Scott Ritzema

Transportation

Jim Groenewold (520-0055) Arky Navis (324-2859)

Ushers

Will Bronkhorst Ray Hofman Al Holden

Video Projection

Katie DeJager

Missionary Letters

Gretchen H. to Daryl Pfantz Heather H. to Neen+ Gene H. to Chaplain Peter

Gene H. 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 Ken Homan

We Study God's Word: 2 Corinthians 1:12-22

*Song of Response: Dwell in Me, O Blessed Spirit – G427

*Affirmation of our Faith: HC Q&A 53

Q. What do you believe concerning "the Holy Spirit"?

A. First, he, as well as the Father and the Son, is eternal God. Second, he has been given to me personally, so that, by true faith, he makes me share in Christ and all his blessings, comforts me, and remains with me forever.

*Benediction

*Closing Song: Glory Be to the Father - G635

*Postlude

Worship Notes

Next Sunday we look at the gift of joy through Ruth 3. Naomi doesn't know if her dream of a redeemer will really come true. But she tells Ruth to "wash and prepare herself" to meet a husband—a gift. Do we expect too little from God? Are we afraid to let God take control of our lives? Are we too afraid of failing to risk serving God? In fear, Ruth takes a risk and asks, "Will you redeem me?" Boaz, the kinsman-redeemer, provides all that she asks for: a husband, a child, a home, and complete redemption. Our salvation is free, but Jesus Christ paid the price so we could be redeemed. We long to feel God's protection and care, which God provides in Jesus Christ.

Verse of the Week: May the Lord repay you for what you have done. May you be richly rewarded by the Lord, the God of Israel, under whose wings you have come to take refuge. Ruth 2:12

This week be in prayer for:

- Those living near the volcano in Bali
- Peace in our lives
- Our president

Give thanks to God for:

- Those in the armed forces
- The Sun
- Peace that passes understanding

<u>Upcoming Special Service</u>

December 17 9:30 AM Children's Christmas Program
December 24 6:00 PM Christmas Eve Service

December 31 6:00 PM New Years Eve Service @ Bethel CRC

Deacons Report

An automatic checking account withdrawals program (ACH/EFT) has been setup for giving. Be on the look out for more information in the coming weeks.

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!

November cause: Back to God Ministries International – proclaims the Gospel of Jesus Christ throughout the world, using media that effectively communicates Christ in the "heart language" of those in need of salvation and discipleship.

Last Week's Offerings

Local Budget \$7,551.01 Back to God Hour \$ 225.00

Our Family

<u>Birthdays</u>	<u>December</u>		<u>December</u>
Hollie Ten Pass	4	Darrall Schaver	6
Dominique Van Hill	6	Cassie Holden	7
Jolie Schouten	7	Jon Mulder	9



- John, Ken & Gardie Ten Pas' grandson will be having open heart surgery with dual pacemaker on the 20th of December. Kyle and Gina ask for your prayer support. They anticipate 4 to 5 days hospitalization.
- Cara Aylesworth as she recovers from surgery.
 She had a procedure done to stop some internal bleeding. We give

- thanks that the surgery was successful and now pray for relief from pain and quick healing.
- 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 continues to undergo treatments.
- Brandon Kitchner as he recovers from surgery on his foot. Pray for quick healing and patience.
- Dave Mulder, cousin of Sue Buwalda, whose cancer treatments have not been successful, Dave along with his family have decided to have hospice come in to keep him comfortable in the time he has left.
 Please pray for continued peace and comfort in the time he has left in this life.

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

Sunday School Parents of Preschool-Fifth Graders: The Christmas Program Dress Rehearsal will be on Wednesday, December 13th from 3:15-5:30. A snack will be provided when kids arrive. If any parents are able to stay and help the kids get into their costumes, it would be greatly appreciated.

Christian Fellowship will meet at Sebastian's this Thursday at 7:00 p.m. If interested in carpooling, please meet in the church parking lot by 6:30 p.m.

Sunday School and Catechism offering this year will be going to help Ben & Alyssa Homan with medical expenses for Eden.

Bethel Christian Reformed Church wants to thank everyone who participated in this year's CROP walk. The total raised was \$12,622.06! Our local community will be blessed with \$3,155.52. Again, we thank the citizens, churches and businesses for supporting this important fundraiser. We can't wait to see you next year!!

Looking for meals for Ben and Alyssa as Eden will be having several doctor appointments. The website to sign up is: https://mealtrain.com/k9gzg2

The CWC Elementary students will be kicking off our Christmas celebration on Friday Dec. 8. The Crusader Centre will be filled with the sounds of our youngest students singing "An Unplugged Christmas" created by Susie Williams and Luke Gambill. Traditional carols and a few newer songs will be sung. For our finale, we will sing the Hallelujah Chorus. This is a treat that you will not want to miss. Doors to the Crusader Centre will be locked until 5:30. The program begins at 6:30. An offering will be taken for the music department.

Our middle school and high school students continue our celebration on Thursday December 14. Once again, the Crusader Centre will be filled with the songs of Christmas. Groups featured are the middle school band, middle school choir, high school band, Jr. choir, Sr. Choir, and the New Generation Singers. Pre concert music will begin at 6:15 hosted by the New Gs. The concert will begin at 6:30. An offering will be taken for the music department. We hope to purchase a new keyboard very soon! Please join us at CWC as we celebrate the birth of our King!

We will once again be collecting money for poinsettias to decorate the front of church. If you wish to give a monetary amount in memory or in honor of a loved one, please place the money in the offering bags marked specifically for poinsettias.

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Today:	9:30 AM	AM Worship Service
	10:45 AM	Sunday School & Catechism
	6:00 PM	PM Worship Service @ 1st CRC
Monday:	6:00 PM	1 st Place 4 Health
Tuesday:	8:00 AM	Prayer Meeting
	9: 00 AM	1 st Place for Health
Wednesday:	9:00 AM	Coffee Break @ Bethel CRC
	11: 45 AM	Mens Bible Study
	6: 30 PM	GEMS @ Bethel CRC
	7:00 PM	Youth Group @ the Union
Thursday:	7:00 PM	Christian Fellowship @ Sebastians
Next Sunday:	9:30 AM	AM Worship Service
	10:45 AM	Sunday School & Catechism

6:00 PM PM Worship Service

Next Week
Accompanist

Lois Mulder

Children & Worship

Leader: Jessica Ten Pass **Helpers:** Zach Vander Werff

Marissa Jansma

Elder/Deacon Greeters

Don Pausma Jon Venhuizen

Fellowship Coffee

Al & LeAnne Holden

Greeters

Tom, Pat & Elizabeth Jonker

Musical Praise

Toni Hofman

Nursery

Eric & Stacy Schaver Reagan Aylesworth Offering: Local Budget
December Cause: Bethany

Christian Service

Prayer

Gregg Zonnefeld

Sound System

Pete Vander Werff

Transportation

Jim Groenewold (520-0055) Arky Navis (324-2859)

Ushers

Will Bronkhorst Ray Hofman Al Holden

Video Projection
Randall Greenfield

Group	<u>Elder</u>	<u>Deacon</u>	
1	Don Pausma	Jon Venhuizen	
2	Merle Schouten	Joe Bresser	
3	Bob Mulder		
4	Scott Ritzema	Eric Homan	
5	Norm Buwalda	Ben Mulder	
6	Tom Jonker	Randall Greenfield	
7	Steve Homan		
8	Al Venhuizen	Brian O'Donovan	



Proclaiming Evidence for Truth THIS WEEK'S CREATION MOMENT

It's a Young World After All



I pray not that thou shouldest take them out of the world, but that thou shouldest keep them from the evil. They are not of the world, even as I am not of the world. Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth. – John 17:15-17

A few years ago, evolutionists discovered what they called the world's oldest mites. These little critters were

encased in amber and were said to be 230 million years old. And yet, the lead researcher said, "They're dead ringers for [modern] gall mites."

Commenting on this news story, Creation Moments Board Member Dr. Don Clark said that a discovery like this does nothing to support evolution. "What it does support," he said, "is that God created life after its own kind not to change."

Dr. Clark added, "God allowed variation within a kind so there would be diversity but not life evolving from one kind to another. So it doesn't surprise the creationist that these mites show little to no change over time. That is what we would expect to see, based on God's Word."

He then observed, "If there is little to no change in the mites, perhaps the dating of the amber samples is off. Perhaps by a lot. God's Word indicates that the Earth and all of creation are 6,000 or so years old. So if these samples are only thousands of years old, would the evolutionist expect to see any change over such a short period of time? Probably not."

The friend of evolutionists is long ages ... and the more time, the better. But fossilized mites that look just like modern mites teach us that the Earth is a young, young world after all.

Ref: Dr. Donald Clark interview on Broken Road Radio, 9/3/12. http://brokenroadradio.com/morning-show-september-3-2012/. Photo: Photomicrographs of the two species of gall mites. Courtesy of University of Gottingen/A. Schmidt. (Fair Use)

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