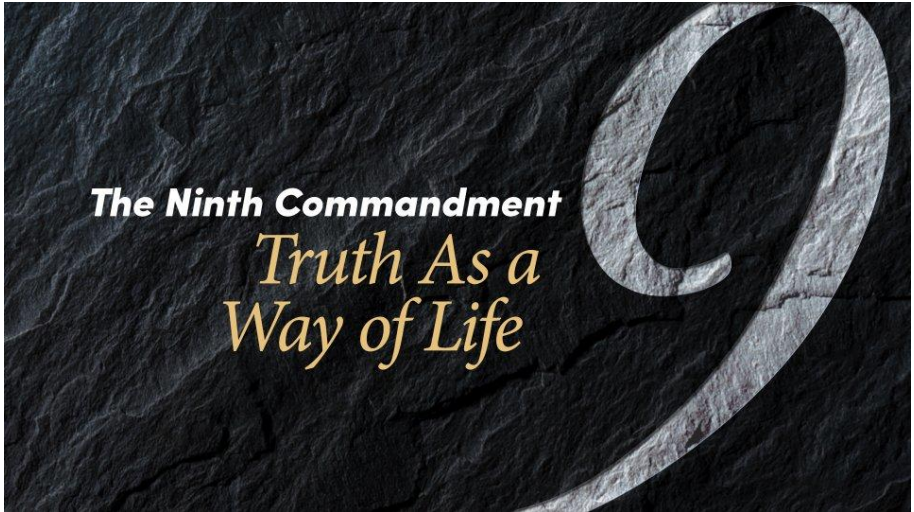


Welcome to

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 the back sanctuary rack.

You can tune in to AM 1170 every Sunday morning at 8:30 to hear last week's sermon. You are also 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**

***Songs of Praise:**

Here I am to Worship
Be Unto Your Name

***God's Greeting and We Greet One Another**

We Are Renewed in God's Grace

Confession and Assurance

I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery. You shall have no other gods before me.

I sincerely acknowledge the only true God, trust him alone, look to him for every good thing, humbly and patiently, and love him, fear him, and honor him with all my heart. In short, I will give up anything rather than go against God's will in any way.

You shall not make for yourself an idol in the form of anything in heaven above or on the earth beneath or in the waters below.

I will in no way make any image of God nor worship him in any other way than he has commanded in his Word.

You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not hold anyone guiltless who misuses his name.

I will use the holy name of God only with reverence and awe, so that I may properly confess him, pray to him, and praise him

Accompanist

Laura Ten Pass

Children & Worship

Leader: Pat Jonker

Helpers: Arent Venhuizen
Marissa Jansma

Greeters

Jon, Kim, Ryker & Jaina
Venhuizen

Nursery

Bonnie & Miranda Vander Berg
Dominique Van Hill

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Keith Buwalda
Noah Mulder
Josh Schouten

Video Projection

Katie De Jager

Missionary Letters

Tom J. to Daryl Pfantz
Byron K. to Neen
Charlie K. to Chaplain Peter+

+Please pray especially for this missionary family this week

in everything I do and say.

Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.

I will regularly attend the assembly of God's people to learn what God's Word teaches, to participate in the sacraments, to pray to God publicly, and to bring Christian offerings for the poor. Every day of my life I will rest from my evil ways, let the Lord work in me through his Spirit, and so begin already in this life the eternal Sabbath.

Honor your father and your mother.

I will honor, love, and be loyal to my father and mother and all those in authority over me. I will obey and submit to them, as is proper, when they correct and punish me; and I will be patient with their failings—for through them God chooses to rule us.

You shall not murder.

I will not belittle, insult, hate, or kill my neighbor—not by my thoughts, my words, my look or gesture, and I will not be party to this in others; rather, I will put away all desire for revenge. I will not harm or recklessly endanger myself either.

You shall not commit adultery.

God condemns all unchastity. I therefore thoroughly detest it and will live a decent and chaste life.

You shall not steal.

I will do whatever I can for my neighbor's good, treating others as I would like them to treat me, and I will work faithfully so that I may share with those in need.

You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.

I will love the truth, speak it candidly, and openly acknowledge it. And I will do what I can to guard and advance my neighbor's good name.

You shall not covet anything that belongs to your neighbor.

With all my heart I will always hate sin and take pleasure in whatever is right.

Song: Have Thine Own Way Lord – R591

Congregational Prayer

Offertory and Our Offerings: Denominational Ministry Shares

Children are dismissed for Walk Out Worship

God Speaks through His Word

***Scripture:** Deuteronomy 5:20

Sermon: The Ninth Commandment

We Respond to God's Word

***Song of Response:** Teach Me, O Lord, your Way of Truth – G276 vs 1, 2, & 5

We Leave to Serve God

***God's Parting Blessing**

***Closing:** Salvation Belongs to Our God

***Postlude**

7:00 PM Combined Evening Worship Service @ Bethel CRC

Worship Notes

Today we meet at CWC in the morning and Bethel in the evening. Just a reminder that Bethel meets at 7:00pm.

Next week we will meet in the morning at CWC, enjoy a potluck together, and then worship again after the meal at CWC.

On March 5 we will be meeting at CWC in the morning and then joining Bethel in the evening.

Next Sunday we will finish the series on the 10 Commandments by looking at coveting. You could say that this command sums up all of previous nine because it is about having proper desires. There are some things that we want too much like pleasure, possessions, prestige, and money. At the same time, there are desires that are too weak in us like prayer and worship. Our desires are like muscles. They grow when we exercise them. So, what desires are you growing and which ones should you?

Verse of the Week: "You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor." Deuteronomy 5:20

This week be in prayer for:

- Stability between countries
- Those who are caught in human trafficking
- A safe and successful renovation project
- First CRC in Oostburg

Give thanks to God for:

- The renovation work being done
- The signs of Spring already
- The amazing way that He has made our bodies to operate

Last Week's Offerings

Local Budget	\$5,493.50
GEMS/Cadets	\$ 20.00

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!

February cause GEMS/Cadets: GEMS - to help bring 3rd-8th grade girls into a living, dynamic relationship with Jesus Christ through worship, Bible study and activities. **Cadets**—a mentoring program where Christian men share Christ's love with 4th-8th grade boys from the church and community, modeling for them what it's like to be a man of God.

Our Family

Birthdays

Andrea Buwalda

February

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February

Jessica Van Herwaarden 25

Anniversaries

Louie & Nancy Wierenga

Dan & Clarissa Roets

February

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



- **Kim Root** as she heals from knee replacement surgery.

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

There will be a potluck on February 26 at noon in the CWC commons. Since there will be no ham buns being served as was done at the last potluck each family is asked to bring one or two dishes to pass, depending on the size of your family. Also bring your own table service and drinks. Coffee and dessert will be provided. **Do NOT bring desserts. Open Hands 4 the Fatherless will have sundaes available for a free-will**

donation. During that time they will also give an update on what is happening in Haiti.

We need your input. Our denomination has chosen us to take a survey and you are asked to help. this is a great opportunity for us to provide the denomination with our thoughts. Just go to <https://www.crcna.org/survey> and follow the instructions.

Church News



Heartbeat International Option Line

Just a reminder to get your Heartbeat International envelopes in the collection plate TODAY.

Heartbeat's Option Line answers the calls of women facing an unexpected pregnancy, providing help and support, and connecting them to their local pregnancy help organization.

As a church, our goal is to fund at least one day for this organization which equates to \$1500. During a 24-hour period, the Option Line responds to nearly 700 contacts from those in need.

If your family is willing to donate \$62.50, you will cover their operating budget for one hour. This means, you will be funding nearly 30 individual contacts which will very likely result in several saved lives! As a church, we only need 24 families to donate \$62.50 and we will reach our goal for an entire 24-hour period.

Simply place your donation in the Heartbeat International envelope and put it in the collection plate TODAY.

On March 12 The Dordt College Band and Orchestra will be giving a concert at Central Wisconsin Christian at 6:00. **We are looking for hosts for the students on Sunday night. We need housing for 84 students.** If you are interested, **please contact Gregg and Kristi Zonnefeld.**

Sub Sales are back! Talk to a Youth Group member to order your subs today! Subs are \$4 each and will be made and delivered on March 22. We're taking orders until March 8th. Thanks for supporting our Youth Group and our future service opportunities!

Another Youth Group Fundraiser? Trust us. You won't want to miss it. Join us for the first ever Youth Group vs. Council Volleyball Match on March 1 at CWC. We're serving up pizza for a free will donation before

the game. Pizza starts at 5:30pm in the CWC Commons and the game starts at 6:30pm in the gym. See you there!

Senior Citizen Game Night

What? A Game Night with High School Students

Where? CWC Cornerstone - 301 Fox Lake Rd, Waupun, WI

When? Monday February 27 from 6-7:30pm

RSVP by Feb 24 to 920-324-4233

Games provided but feel free to bring one of your own. Coffee and Snacks provided. Bring your friends!

Bowling for Badgerland - Waupun is scheduled for March 4, 2017. This great event supports our local Campus Life Ministry and The Union Youth Center. We are looking for teams of 5 to sign up and raise funds. If you are interested or have questions, contact Kim Venhuizen at 920-382-4438 or kim@badgerlandyfc.org.

Mark your calendars! The SWaT scavenger hunt will take place on Wednesday, March 8. On March 8th from 6:30–7:30pm the Bethel and First CRC middle school kids will be collecting food and toiletry items for the Waupun Food Pantry. We will stop by and pick items up from your home. Please consider helping a great cause! You can email the Bethel church office at waupunbethelcrc@att.net or call the Bethel church office at 324-4962 to get on the list! If you would prefer, items can also be brought to either Bethel or First CRC no later than Wednesday, March 8. Items most needed by the Food Pantry are: Macaroni & Cheese, Hamburger Helper, Ravioli, Tuna and Toothpaste. They are once again not in need of green beans. Thank you!

The annual Waupun Community Day of Prayer, sponsored by the Church Women United of the Waupun Area, will be held Friday, March 3, at 1:00 p.m., at the Alto Reformed Church in Alto. The speaker will be Pastor Kevin Van Wyk from the Alto Reformed Church. This ecumenical service will include special music and time for prayer. There will be an offering collected to benefit the School Supply Distribution next August that is sponsored by the Church Women United of the Waupun Area.

Prayer Summit 2012 was initiated by Korean Christian Reformed Church leaders, inviting our denominational leaders for the purpose of learning about prayer and praying together. Held March 27-29. We need prayer:

- To REDISCOVER a heartfelt sense of reverence of God's majesty as we pray TOGETHER
- To UNITE as people of God from diverse backgrounds to pray TOGETHER
- To SHARE the experience of humility and trust in God as people pray TOGETHER

- To INTERCEDE for the needs of our lives, local churches, our community, nation and the world—firmly standing on confident hope TOGETHER

For more information, go to <http://www.joinprayersummit.org/>. Please consider coming to this important event.

Attention Men! Once a year we mobilize men to the local ISI men's conference. The Iron Sharpens Iron Men's Conference is coming again to Beloit, WI and we will be taking as many men as we can to this unique event. Cost is \$47 (\$32 for students) plus \$8 if you want the optional on-site lunch. Join us for a great day on Saturday, March 4 and let's be as iron sharpens iron to one another. Visit focalpointministries.net for more information and to register for this event.

Do you like children? Would you like to help Haiti rebuild? Have you felt God calling you but didn't know what to? Then join Open Hands 4 the Fatherless (OH4F) this **August 11-16, 2017 on a Vision Trip to Haiti!** Come with us and experience God in a whole new way! If you are interested please visit our website: www.oh4f.org or send an email requesting information to gladys@oh4f.org or you can contact Gladys Montsma @ [920.210.5329](tel:920.210.5329) if you have any questions. **Deadline for registration for this trip is April 16, 2017, so contact us today!**

Calendar

Today:	9:30 AM	Morning Worship Service @ CWC
	10:45 AM	Sunday School & Catechism Classes
	7:00 PM	Combined Evening Worship Service @ Bethel CRC
Monday:	6:00 PM	First Place 4 Health @ 1 st CRC
	6:00 PM	Friendship Bible Study @ Bethel CRC
Tuesday:	8:00 AM	Prayer Meeting
	9:00 AM	First Place 4 Health @ 1 st CRC
Wednesday:	9:00 AM	Coffee Break @ Bethel CRC
	11:45 AM	Men's Bible Study @ Mike Vander Berg
	7:00 PM	Youth Group
Next Sunday:	9:30 AM	AM Worship Service @ CWC
	10:45 AM	Sunday School & Catechism Classes
	12:00 PM	Potluck @ CWC
	1:00 PM	Evening Worship Service @ CWC

Next Week

Accompanist

Lois Mulder

Children & Worship

Leader: Mackenzie Mulder

Helpers: Makayla Zonnefeld
Megan Greenfield

Greeters

Randy & Janet Ver Hage

Musical Praise

Toni Hofman

Nursery

Keith & Laura Venhuizen
Kaytlin Smits

Offering: Classical Ministry
Shares

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THIS WEEK'S CREATION MOMENT

Easter Island Heads – Not Just Another Pretty Face



Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth. – 2 Timothy 2:15

Today on Creation Moments we bring you a bit of old news. I mean really old news. Though this news is nearly a hundred years old, few people even today know that the massive stone heads on Easter Island are actually sitting atop tall stone bodies buried in the ground.

The statues – carved from volcanic rock between A.D. 1100 and 1500 and put in place by Polynesians on Easter Island – range in size from 3 feet to a towering 33 feet in height. The largest statue – named El Gigante – tips the scales at about 165 tons.

In 1919 pictures of the first excavations to Easter Island revealed that some of the heads were full sized. But over the following decades, the discoveries were gradually forgotten. Since 2010, the Easter Island Statue Project has been excavating two of the buried bodies. According to the project director, most people think the statues are only heads because there are 150 of them buried up to the shoulders on the slope of a volcano, "and these are the most famous, most beautiful and most photographed of all the Easter Island statues."

Think of it – if archaeologists had never dug deeper, they would not have uncovered the whole truth about these massive stone statues. Similarly, if we want to get a more complete understanding of what the Bible teaches, we need to dig deeper. In-depth Bible study takes time and work. But it is well worth the effort!

Ref: Natalie Wolchover, "Do the Easter Island Heads Really Have Bodies?", LiveScience, 9/25/12. Photo: Courtesy of Aurbina. (PD)

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China

In communist China, persecution comes largely in the form of government restrictions, fines, and imprisonment. Limits are placed on the ways believers can worship, the number of Bibles in country, expression of faith, and evangelism.

"We've been praying for a way to expand beyond our area. By faith, I asked for more materials than usual. Many people said this was dangerous for me to do, but I felt led."

Sister Hannah is a Sunday School coordinator in eastern China who is constantly at risk because she receives Children's Bibles and Sunday School materials and redistributes them to underground house churches in rural China.





Even though Sister Hannah knows she could be arrested and imprisoned for her work, she is more concerned about teaching children about Jesus

"We were so surprised when we had 76 NEW leaders come forward and ask us to help them start Sunday Schools at their churches. These churches are in the countryside of central China. The potential for reaching these children is enormous. Please pray for us, and continue to send Bibles and materials we need to equip the underground churches."

Please visit www.OpenDoorsUSA.org to receive the Weekly Prayer Alert e-mail for the persecuted Church.



Facts

-  China continues to enforce the old policy that prohibits religious education for children under the age of 18.
-  The publication of Bibles and other Christian materials is restricted by the Communist government.
-  Over 90% of Chinese Christians worship in unregistered house churches, therefore it is hard to know the actual size of the Christian church in China. Estimates range from 60 to 130 million.
-  China continues to repatriate North Korean refugees back to their country, to sure punishment, including harsh labor prisons, interrogation, imprisonment of their family members and death.