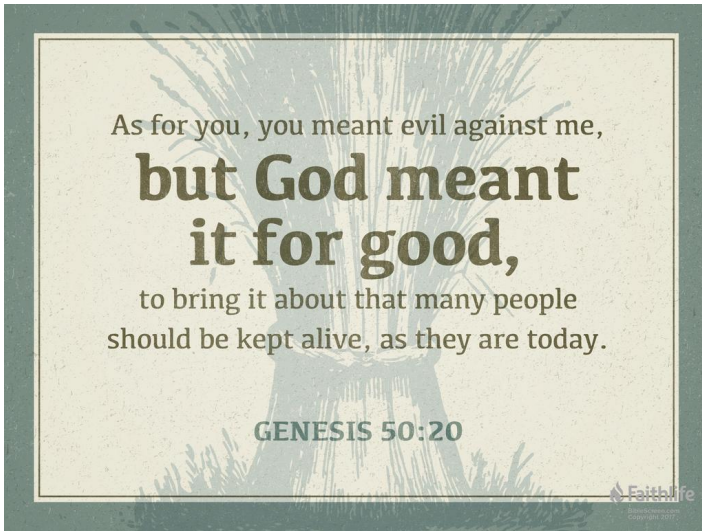


Welcome to
First Christian Reformed Church



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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

Confirmation/Assurance

Song: Take my Life and Let it Be-R597 vs 1, 5 & 6

Congregation Prayer

Offertory and Our Offerings: Marcia Decker
from Dodge County Pregnancy Support
Center

**Children are dismissed for Walk Out
Worship**

God Speaks through His Word

***Scripture:** Genesis 45:1-7, 50:15-21

Sermon: God Turns Bad to Good

We Respond to God's Word

Song of Response: God of Wonders-
Binder 24

We Leave to Serve God

***God's Parting Blessing**

***Closing:** He is Lord – G633

***Postlude**

Accompanist

Cara Aylesworth

Children & Worship

Leader: Lois Groenewold

Helpers: Mikayla Zonnefeld
Miranda VB

Elder/Deacon Greeters

Steve Homan
Bob Mulder

Fellowship Coffee

Denny & Nancy Vande Berg

Greeters

Bob & Michelle Mulder

Nursery

Brad & Rhonda Schouten
Heather Hoekstra

Sound System

Seth Aylesworth

Transportation

Morris TeGrootenhuis
(539-0438)
Louie Wierenga (324-3683)

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Noah Mulder
Josh Schouten
Zach Vander Werff
Thomas Venhuizen

Video Projection

Beth Schlieve

Missionary Letters

Dan M. to Daryl Pfantz
Pete M. to Neen+
Jason M. 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 Al Venhuizen

We Study God's Word: Genesis 17:1-14

***Song of Response:** Baptized in Water-R465 vs 1-3

***Affirmation of our Faith:** HC Q&A 66-67

***Benediction**

***Closing Song:** Glory Be to the Father -R813

***Postlude**

Worship Notes

Next Sunday we continue to story of redemption as look at God's great miracle of freeing the Israelites from the hand of Pharaoh. In this story we see the overarching theme of God saving His people, an act that He performed repeatedly out of love for His people. We celebrate this especially in the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

Verse of the week: "You intended to harm me, but God intended it for good to accomplish what is now being done, the saving of many lives." Genesis 50:20

This week be in prayer for:

- Safety during the Winter Olympics
- Those suffering from mental illness
- The Office of Social Justice in the CRC

Give thanks to God for:

- Pictures to capture our memories
- Plants that produce oxygen for us
- Our neighbors

As we savor and meditate upon God's Word this year there are a few resources on the shelf in the narthex. As the year goes on you may find more. Please make use of them.

Upcoming Special Service

02/18/2018

7:00 PM

Combined evening worship @ Bethel CRC

Deacons Report

Fund	YTD Offering	YTD Budget	YTD Surplus shortfall of 100% paid
Local Budget	\$173,484.62	\$160,477.00	\$13,007.62
Denominational	\$11,725.00	\$33,805.00	-\$22,080.00
Classical	\$5,824.00	\$9,933.00	-\$4,109.00

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

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 3rd-8th grade boys from the church and community, modeling for them what it's like to be a man of God.

Last Week's Offerings

Local Budget	\$4,195.00
Neen Benevolent Needs	\$1325.00

Our Family

Birthdays

	<u>February</u>		<u>February</u>
Randy Ver Hage	1	Cara Aylesworth	2
Allegra Bossenbroek	3	Karen Aalsma	3
Eric Schaver	4	Alexa Hofman	5
Wilma Navis	6	Jonah Mulder	7
Luke Jansen	8	Katie De Jager	10
Jean Jansen	10		

Anniversaries

Glen & Sandy Greenfield

February

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

- Brian Van Herwaarden's dad, Al as he recovers 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.
- Leanne Johnson as she begins radiation treatments.
- Ruth Buwalda as she recovers from surgery. She is currently at the Christian Home, but hopes to return home soon.

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

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 is looking for a song leader. If you are interested please contact Brian O'Donovan.

Pro-Life Issues in Research & Medicine: Faith & Science Do Work Together: Our church is organizing a special pro-life event at the Waupun Library on **Monday, February 5 at 6:30 PM**. Join us for a night of learning about Pro-life issues in research & medicine from the perspective of three Christian doctors. After their presentation, there will be a social time with refreshments.

Coffee Break begins on Wednesday, February 7th at Bethel CRC from 9:00-10:30am. Women of all ages are invited to attend. Our next 6-week session will be on *Easter*, a study is based on the accounts of Jesus' suffering, death, and resurrection in the gospel of Matthew. Nursery is available.

Senior Class Fundraiser: The senior class and Neighbors Club at CWC will be holding a fundraising supper from 5:30-7:30 pm on Friday, February 9 in the cafeteria at CWC. Students will be serving mostaccioli, lettuce salad, orange salad and bars for dessert. Funds raised will be donated to

Coreluv/OH4F for the purchase of backpacks/school uniforms and equipment for special needs children.

Christian Fellowship will NOT be meeting in February. The next meeting will be on March 1.

CWC Freshman Class Fundraiser... is Tuesday, February 13, serving from 5-7:30 pm Menu: pulled pork sandwiches, baked beans, chips, carrots, homemade bars & lemonade. The cost is freewill donation to support the Class of 2021. Come out and watch the boys and girls play basketball.

VALENTINES DAY SUPPER-looking for an excuse not to cook? Well, your high schoolers have you covered! Mark your calendar as the Youth Groups of 1st CRC & Bethel CRC will be having a spaghetti supper at Bethel CRC on Wednesday, February 14, from 5:30 pm-7:30 pm. This will be a free will donation supper that will go towards our summer serve trip, down to areas affected by the hurricanes of this past year. 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 1st CRC & Bethel CRC will be holding a FUN NIGHT VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT and baked goods sale on Saturday, March 10 at CWC. A free will dinner will be provided, along with entertainment and care for your younger kids. More details to follow, 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 summer serve trip. Thanks much!

Calendar

Today:	9:30 AM	AM Worship Service
	10:45 AM	Sunday School & Catechism
	6:00 PM	PM Worship Service
Monday:	6:00 PM	First Place 4 Health @ 1 st CRC
	6:30 PM	ProLife event @ Waupun Public Library
Tuesday:	8:00 AM	Prayer Meeting @ 1 st CRC
	9:00 AM	First Place 4 Health @ 1 st CRC
Wednesday:	9:00 AM	Coffee Break
	6:30 PM	GEMS-Father/Daughter Swim Night
	6:30 PM	Cadets meets @ the Union
	7:00 PM	Youth Group @ the Union
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: Becca Vree

Helpers: Cassidy Ritzema
Cody Van Herwaarden

Elder/Deacon Greeters

Scott Ritzema

Eric Homan

Fellowship Coffee

Al & LeAnne Holden

Greeters

Jon & Jenna, Juliette, & Joy Mulder

Musical Praise

Toni Hofman

Nursery

Bonnie Vander Berg

Kim Greenfield

Zach Vander Werff

Offering: Local Budget

February Cause: GEMS/Cadets

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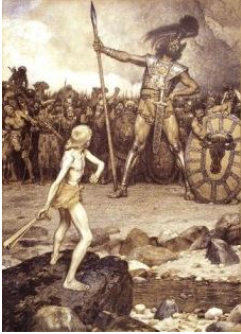
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CREATION MOMENTS

Proclaiming Evidence for Truth
THIS WEEK'S CREATION MOMENT

Archaeologists Find Goliath



And there went out a champion out of the camp of the Philistines, named Goliath, of Gath, whose height was six cubits and a span. – 1 Samuel 17:4

Sometimes you just have to feel sorry for Bible skeptics who cast doubt on the historical accuracy of the Bible. With each passing year, archaeologists keep finding evidences that the Bible is thoroughly reliable!

Take, for instance, the story of David and Goliath. Bible skeptics insist that the biblical account has no connection to reality. But in 2005, archaeologists, digging at the biblical home of Goliath, unearthed a shard of pottery bearing an inscription of the Philistine's name.

While the discovery does not prove Goliath's existence, it does support the Bible's depiction of life at the time of the supposed battle, said excavation director Dr. Aren Maeir of Israel's Bar-Ilan University. "What this means is that at the time there were people there named Goliath," he said. "It shows us that David and Goliath's story reflects the cultural reality of the time."

Though many skeptics tell us that David slaying the giant Goliath is a myth written down hundreds of years later, Dr. Maeir said that finding the inscription gives credence to the biblical story. As reported in Great Britain's *The Independent*, "The shard dates to about 950 BC, within 70 years of when biblical chronology says David squared off against Goliath, making it the oldest Philistine inscription found. It was at Tel es-Safi in southern Israel, thought to be the site of the Philistine city of Gath."

Clearly, the Bible's account of David and Goliath is no tall tale!

Ref: Rachel Hoag, "Shard of pottery supports Bible account of David and Goliath," *The Independent*, 11/11/05. Lithograph: David and Goliath by Osmar Schindler (c. 1888). (PD)

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