

First Christian Reformed Church

Waupun, Wisconsin

*“Enter into His gates with thanksgiving,
and into His courts with praise.”
Psalm 100:4*

Welcome

In Christ we welcome all who need comfort, friendship, and hope. Our worship is designed to honor God as well as encourage and feed His people. We hope and pray that God will speak to you today.

If you are presently seeking a church home, we welcome you to join our fellowship. If you would like further information about our church, log onto the church website or contact Pastor Craig or the church office.

Our Vision

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.

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Office hours: Tuesday and Thursday 10 AM – 3 PM

Bulletin announcements deadline: Thursday noon

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9:30 AM Worship

(*Please stand if you are able)

Prelude

*Call to Worship

Songs of Praise led Praise Team #3

*God's Greeting

*We Greet Each Other

God's Will

Song: "Don't Be in Such a Hurry"

(Children aged 3 years through 4th grade may come forward for the Children's Message during the song.)

Children's Message

 led by Laura Venhuizen

(Afterwards, children aged 3-6 may leave for Children's Worship in the upstairs Youth Room.)

*Scripture: Ecclesiastes 7:8-9

We Study God's Word: "Don't Be In Such a Hurry"

Prayer

*Song of Response: "Take Time to Be Holy"

R656 vs.1-3

Congregational and Offertory Prayer

Offering: Education Fund

*Benediction

*Closing Song: "Take Time to Be Holy" R656

vs. 4

*Postlude

Accompanist

Brenda Hofman

Children & Worship

Teacher: Lauren Durant

Helpers: Lexi De Jager
Joe Bresser

Greeters

Dick & Barb Heeringa

Library

Angela Buwalda

Marcia Buteyn

Rose Homan

Nursery

Katie & Lexi De Jager

Heather Hoekstra

Sound System

Glen Greenfield

Transportation

Glen Greenfield (346-5152)

Paul Vande Kolk (324-8981)

Ushers

Dale Huizenga

Seth Huizenga

Jacob Mulder

Keith Venhuizen

Video Projection

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Missionary Letters

Wiebe Buwalda to Daryl Pfantz

Larry Daane to Brother Bob

Gary De Jager to Chaplain Peter⁺

⁺Please pray especially for this missionary family this week.

7:00 PM Worship

(*Please stand if you are able)

Prelude

*Call to Worship

Musical Praise led by Den Vande Berg

Pastoral Prayer led by Brian O'Donovan

We Study God's Word

Scripture: Genesis 48

Prayer of Application

Song of Response: "Standing On the Promises"
R410 vs.1-5

Affirmation of Faith: Our World Belongs to God #21 G1025

The Lord promised to be God to Abraham, Sarah, and their children, calling them to walk faithfully before him and blessing the nations through them. God chose Israel to show the glory of his name, the power of his love, and the wisdom of his ways.

The Lord gave them the law through Moses and led them by rulers and teachers, shaping a people in whom God is revealed—a light to the nations.

Offering: Youth Unlimited

Benediction

Doxology: "Salvation Belongs to Our God" (see screen)

*Postlude

Accompanist

Cara Aylesworth

Greeters

Glen & Sandy Greenfield

Nursery

Scott & Jenny Ritzema

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Welcome

We welcome our visitors and hope that you enjoy worshipping with us. The red Celebration Hymnals are located under the pew in front of you. Inform an usher if you prefer a large-print bulletin, and feel free to check one of the "Visitor" mailslots in the narthex for additional materials.



Worship Notes

Verse of the Week: Ecclesiastes 7:8-9 "The end of a matter is better than its beginning, and patience is better than pride. Do not be quickly provoked in your spirit, for anger resides in the lap of fools."

Church Family

“Our granddaughter, Holly has been honorably discharged from the Air Force. Thanks for all the prayers on her behalf. Please continue to pray for her brother, Jeff, who is still in Iraq.” – **Larry & Trix Daane**

August 9

Greetings:

Neen and I went to Immigration this morning to pick up her passport and to make and other final arrangements only to find out that she will also need a visa that will take more time than we have left before my departure.



In a word - no Neen. And no one is more disappointed than Neen or myself. We know all of you are as well. Yet we have left it in the Lord's hands from the beginning and accept this knowing He is in charge and has his reasons.

We all know the verses. Here's a couple: James 1:2; Proverbs 3:5

Thanks to all of you who have been so gracious and accommodating in anticipation of Neen's arrival - another way that you stand with us.

I value your prayers that my trip goals will be accomplished in accordance with the good Lord's will.

Thanks

Brother Bob

We rejoice with the following who will celebrate an anniversary or birthday this week:

Anniversaries: Aug
Norm & Angela Buwalda 20

Congratulations!

<u>Birthdays:</u>	<u>Aug</u>		<u>Aug</u>
Alice Redeker	16	Arky Navis	19
Glen Greenfield	18	Paul Vande Kolk	19
Toni Hofman	18		

Church News

Needed: A catechism teacher from September through December for the 7th/8th grade class. Please contact Brian O'Donovan ASAP to volunteer or if you have questions.

The **Vision Committee** will meet at the front of the sanctuary after this morning's service.

Please pick up your containers from the kitchen today else they will be donated to Bargains Galore.

Needed: Items for the next issue of First Family Ties. Do you have a favorite old photo you are willing to share? Do you have a recipe that needs sharing? Maybe you know something about another member that is newsworthy, or your child has written something worth sharing.... Please help us keep the newsletter full of interesting bits of information by sharing with us—we need your help! Articles can be emailed to Lois at muldelj@powercom.net or placed in her mailslot today.

Due to unforeseen circumstances, **Council** was unable to meet this past Monday. They will meet at 8:00 PM tomorrow, instead. Please inform an elder or deacon if you have any matter for the council.

Safe Church Team will meet at 6:30 PM this Wednesday.

Worship Committee will meet at 6:00 PM this Thursday. New members are always welcome



All those participating in the **Cedar Rapids service project** are asked to meet after the morning worship service next Sunday.

Care Group 5 invites everyone to stay for a time of refreshments and fellowship with Brother Bob after next week's morning service.



Focus on Leadership Workshop:

- 1) A brochure was in your mailslot last week. We will be hosting this practical hands-on workshop for leaders, deacons, teachers, Bible study coordinators, and church leaders on Sunday, August 30. Council will cover the registration cost of First CRC attendees, but please still fill out the registration form and place in the "RETURN" mailslot by August 24 if you wish to attend. Extra forms are available on the counter.
- 2) Some help is needed. We will be serving our guests supper at CWC. Please sign up in the narthex if you can donate a salad or bars/cookies or if you would be willing to help serve the meal.

Care Group 8 is organizing a yarn drive for the Waupun Correctional Institution. One of their many community services

programs is a crocheting program, whereby inmates crochet items from baby caps and booties to afghans, hats, mittens, scarves, etc. All

of their finished projects are donated to non-profit organizations such as Pregnancy Help Center, Food Pantries, SAVS (Sexual Assault Victim Services) Providers, The Cathedral Center, Beacon House, Naomi House, Relay for Cancer, Women's & Children's



Horizons, Head Start, and many more. In the past, Waupun Correctional Institution has purchased the yarn for these projects with institution program funds; however, it is becoming increasingly difficult for them to continue this program without help. Please place your donated yarn (preferable "Red Heart" brand or softer baby yarns – no "eyelash"/fuzzy yarn, please.) of all standard colors in the narthex container by September 6. Thank you!

Advanced Notice: Our evening service on September 6, Labor Day Sunday, will be a combined worship at Bethel CRC.

Community News

Recently you received a **love letter from the Bible League volunteers.** Please prayerfully consider supporting their project to provide Bibles and train nationals in Africa. Please respond on or before next Sunday. Thanks for your support.

The Zion Congregational (old stone church, Alto) annual service will be held at 2:00 PM today. Pastor Cal Vande Zande will present the message with special music by Norm Jansma and Hearts of Grace. There will be a free-will offering. Refreshments will be served after the service.



The Christian Home & Rehab. Center Pie Social: Come to our good old-fashioned pie social, serving delicious homemade pies, ice cream, BBQ sandwiches, and beverages held on Wednesday, August 26, from 5 to 7 PM at the Christian Living Center. Free-will donations will be accepted with the proceeds going towards the purchase of a computer for the residents.

Needed: Donations of at least 7 more homemade pies from our church for the Christian Home & Rehab Center Pie Social. Please sign the sheet in the narthex by today if you are willing to contribute to this ministry. Contact Sue Buwalda if questions: 324-3929 or 382-5371.

Bake Sale for World Vision: I recently read the book *The Hole is Our Gospel* by Richard Stearns, President of World Vision. World Vision is a Christian humanitarian organization dedicated to working with the children, families and communities worldwide to battle poverty and sickness caused by injustice. The book really impacted me to do my part to help the impoverished. There will be a bake sale at Bargains Galore on August 20, beginning at 10 AM with proceeds going to World Vision. Baked goods are needed as well as shoppers for baked goods. Baked goods can be dropped off at my house, 503 West Brown Street, on August 19. Thanks for your help!! - Rachelle Buwalda



The Praise Team from First Reformed Church would like to invite you to a **Praise Concert at Harris Mill Park** on August 27 at 6:00 PM. Bring your lawn chairs and join us for a night of praise and fellowship.

Bargains Galore Thrift Store is planning its **4th Annual Community Day to benefit The Union Youth Center.** This charitable event will be held at Bargains Galore on Saturday, August 29, from 10 AM–2 PM. Bargains Galore will be giving all money made from sales that day directly to The Union to help off-set their substantial monthly utility expenses. Currently, The Union incurs approximately \$2,000 of utility

expenses for an average month. Another easy way you can make a difference is by donating cookie dough for The Union (homemade or pre-packaged.) On the Community Day, drop off cookie dough at the store and receive a \$5 Gift Certificate to Bargains Galore!

Agnesian HealthCare Hospice Hope has scheduled its 8th annual “**Widowed Before Retirement—Growing Through Grief**” free weekend retreat for those who have lost their life partner to death before the age of retirement. It is a program where men and women, ages 18 to retirement, can work through the grieving process after a loved one has died. To register, call Agnesian HealthCare Journeys health resource center at (920) 926-4960. Registration deadline is Friday, September 4. For more information, contact S. Joyann Repp, Hospice Hope Bereavement Coordinator at (920) 924-4660.

Wish List: The Christian Home Transitional Care Unit is in need of supplies for the patients: playing cards, board games (Sequence, Scrabble, Checkers, Cribbage, etc), Dominoes, hand held electronic games, puzzles, “fresh” magazines, construction paper & markers, craft items, DVD’s, nail care supplies. If you have any good used items, can purchase an item, or have any questions please contact Sabrina Karst, TCU Activities, at sabrinak@christian-home.org or 324-9051. THANK YOU!

Miscellaneous Items

Serve with CRWM in West Africa! Christian Reformed World Missions is seeking a volunteer business or agricultural developer to serve in Guinea, West Africa. Help empower, enable, and train Guineans in creating and running a food-processing and marketing business and/or a small dairy and vegetable farm. For more information about this and other opportunities with CRWM, visit www.crwmm.org.

Leaving Home for University? If you or someone you know is attending a public university this fall, the Christian Reformed Campus Ministry would like to know! Send us your name, address, and which university will be attended, and we will forward this information to the CRC campus ministry at that university. Or, contact them directly yourself! See our directory of ministries at www.crcma.com. Let’s keep the covenant alive! Our campus ministries nurture discipleship that includes mentoring, fellowship, social justice work and spiritual growth. For details or to send contact info, please email Rev. Brian Bork at waterloocampusministry@gmail.com

Church Calendar

Today:	9:30 AM	Morning Worship
	10:45 AM	Vision Committee
	7:00 PM	Evening Worship
Mon:	7:00 PM	Elder’s Meeting
	7:30 PM	Deacon’s Meeting
	8:00 PM	Council
Wed:	6:30 PM	Safe Church Team
Thu:	6:00 PM	Worship Committee
Thu-Sat:		Co-ed Softball Tournament @ Edgewood

Next Week

Accompanist

AM – Lois Mulder

PM – Lois Mulder

Children's Message

Dominique Van Hill

Children & Worship

Teacher: Beth Andrew

Helpers: Jason De Jager

Austin Huizenga

Greeters

AM – Greg & Kim Root

PM – Gregg and Kristi Zonnefeld

Library

Lexi De Jager

Linda Pausma

Nancy Wierenga

Musical Praise

Praise Team 2

Nursery

AM – Dan & Gladys Montsma

Cody Zonnefeld

PM – Dominique Van Hill

Breanna Smits

Offering

AM – World Missions

PM – Local Budget

Pastoral Prayer

Al Venhuizen

Sound System

Pete Vander Werff

Transportation

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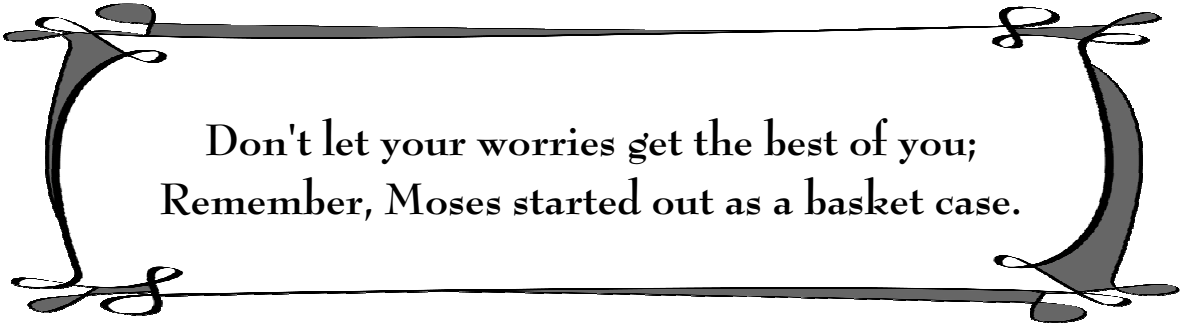
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Don't let your worries get the best of you;
Remember, Moses started out as a basket case.

Prayer List



Shut-Ins

Gerald Bossenbroek
Delia Buteyn
Hazel Buwalda
Bea Heideman
Junice Kamphuis
Eugene Kikkert
Millie Kuiper

Josie Looman
Bud Navis
Wilma Navis
Marion Scheuers
Howard Te Beest
Jerry Tjepkema
Minnie Tobak

Health Concerns

Bob Bille's father, Marvin, as he undergoes radiation and chemo treatments for esophageal cancer.

Gene Hofman's mother, Kathryn, as she deals with cancer.

Thanks that **Marion Scheuers'** one leg has healed. Pray for healing in her other leg.

Military

Wiebe & Ruth Buwalda's grandson, Peter Woreck (Afghanistan)

Larry & Trix Daane's grandson, Jeff Daane (Iraq)

Sam Daane (Beal AFB, CA)

Jack & Marla De Jager's nephew, Jonathan Sturing (Mosul, Iraq)

Casey Derksen (Iraq)

Chaplain Peter Hofman

Louie & Nancy Wierenga's grandson, Devin Terry (Baghdad, Iraq)

Requests

Pray for those **who are unemployed** – for peace as they wait for the Lord to open the correct employment doors and that their needs will be met in the meantime.

Pray that the bank will accept the offer for a short sale on the **Van Hill's house** in Holland, MI.

Pray for T.B.B., a medical student in Algeria who became a follower of Christ two years ago through Back to God Ministries International Arabic outreach. T. has been witnessing to his family and reports that his father has become very open to the Gospel, but not yet his mother and brother. He asks us to pray that all of his family would accept the truth of Jesus as Savior.

To add or remove a prayer request, please inform Marla.
All requests will remain on the prayer list until notified otherwise.



Among our greatest hopes for our children is that they will be joyful, loving members of our families, and that they will have lives filled with contentment and meaningful relationships. For many parents, this hope seems beyond reach. This workshop is designed to empower parents during their journey with their children.

Bethany Christian Services-Wisconsin and Cornerstone Church have partnered to bring Dr. Karyn Purvis, PhD, who is the Director of the Texas Christian University Institute of Child Development and a developmental psychologist and adoption researcher. Co-author of *The Connected Child*, Karyn travels extensively, both nationally and internationally, providing dynamic training and consultation for families and professionals working with at-risk children.

Date: Saturday, October 10, 2009

Time: 8 AM. to 4:30 PM (lunch on your own)

Early Bird Registration and Payment must be received by October 1, 2009:

\$15 for a single attendee

\$20 for a married couple

For more information, or to print the registration form, please visit our website:

www.cornerstone-pca.com

www.bethany.org/wisconsin

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