

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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Church Secretary Office Hours: Tuesday and Thursday 10 AM – 3 PM
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9:30 AM Worship

*(*Please stand if you are able)*

Prelude

***Call to Worship (Psalm 136)**

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.

His love endures forever.

Give thanks to the God of gods.

Give thanks to the Lord of lords:

to him who alone does great wonders,

His love endures forever.

who by his understanding made the heavens,

who spread out the earth upon the waters,

who made the great lights—

the sun to govern the day,

the moon and stars to govern the night;

His love endures forever.

to him who struck down the firstborn of Egypt

and brought Israel out from among them

with a mighty hand and outstretched arm;

His love endures forever.

to him who divided the Red Sea asunder

and brought Israel through the midst of it,

but swept Pharaoh and his army into the Red Sea;

His love endures forever.

to him who led his people through the desert,

who struck down great kings, and killed mighty kings—

Sihon king of the Amorites and Og king of Bashan—

His love endures forever.

and gave their land as an inheritance,

an inheritance to his servant Israel;

His love endures forever.

to the One who remembered us in our low estate

and freed us from our enemies,

and who gives food to every creature.

His love endures forever.

Give thanks to the God of heaven.

His love endures forever.

***God's Greeting**

***We Greet Each Other**

***Opening Hymn: "There's No God as Great" G517**

God's Will: Responsive Reading of the Law, "As a Rule of Gratitude" G1017

Hear, O people of God, the law which the Lord speaks in your hearing this day, that you may know his statutes and walk according to his ordinances.

Teach us, O Lord, the grace of your law, and give us life by your Word.

The God who saved us in Jesus Christ gave this law, saying: I am the Lord your God! You shall have no other gods before me.

We will worship the Lord our God and serve only him.

You shall not make yourself an image of anything to worship it.

Living no more in bondage to earthly gods, we will worship the Lord our God in spirit and in truth.

You shall not misuse the name of the Lord.

We will use the holy name of God with reverence, praising him in everything we do and say.

You shall observe the Sabbath by keeping it holy, for in six days you shall labor and do all your work.

This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

The first part of the law is this great commandment:

That we love the Lord our God with all our heart, with all our mind, and with all our strength.

The second part of the Law is similar to the first: you shall honor your father and mother, that you may live long in the land the Lord your God is giving to you.

As children we will be obedient to our parents in the Lord; as parents we will correct our children and guide them in the training and instruction of the Lord; we will respect the lawful authorities appointed by God.

You shall not murder.

We will be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave us.

You shall not commit adultery.

We will use our bodies in ways that are holy and honorable, and abstain from immorality and impurity.

You shall not steal.

We will do what we can for our neighbor's good, and work faithfully so that we may share with the poor.

You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.

We will speak the truth with our neighbor in love, render judgments that are true and make for peace, and not devise in our hearts any evil against anyone.

You shall not covet anything that belongs to your neighbor.

We will be content whatever the circumstances through the strength of Christ within us.

Thus we must love our neighbor as ourselves.

For the Lord requires of us to do justice, to love kindness, and to walk humbly with our God. Amen!

Song of Preparation: “Kindness” from the Music Machine

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

Children’s Message: Marla De Jager

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

Ministry of Music: “Amazing Grace” by Kelli Heeringa

***Scripture:** Psalm 106:1-12; Romans 2:4

We Study God’s Word: “Your Kindness Leads to Repentance”

Prayer

***Response in Song:** “Lord of All Hopefulness” G558 vs. 1-3

Congregational and Offertory Prayer

Offering: Denominational Ministry Shares

***Benediction**

***Parting Song:** “Lead Me, Guide Me” G544 vs. 1-2

***Postlude**

Accompanist

Junice Rens

Children & Worship

Teacher: Nancy Vande Berg

Helpers: Becca Smits

Den Vande Berg

Greeters

Scott & Jenny Ritzema

Library

Rose Homan

Sandy Greenfield

Allegra Bossenbroek

Nursery

Keith & Laura Venhuizen

Gretchen Hoekstra

Sound System

Dan Scheuers

Transportation

Arky Navis (324-2859)

Morris Te Grootenhuis (539-1246)

Ushers

Ray Hofman

Brian O'Donovan

Tyler Ten Pass

Thomas Venhuizen

Video Projection

Steve Wierenga

Missionary Letters

Mickey Derksen to Daryl Pfantz

Sarah Doerr to Brother Bob

Joe Durant to Chaplain Peter⁺

⁺Please pray especially for this missionary family this week.

Welcome

We welcome our visitors and hope that you enjoy worshiping 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

We welcome Kelli Heeringa, Dick & Barb Heeringa's granddaughter, who will provide this morning's special music.

This evening's worship is a 7:00 PM combined worship at Bethel CRC.



Verse of the Week: Romans 2:4 "Or do you show contempt for the riches of his kindness, tolerance and patience, not realizing that God's kindness leads you toward repentance?"

Church Family

We extend our sympathies to the **Gregg & Kristi Zonnefeld family** in the passing of Kristi's father. May the Lord's continuing presence and his gift of eternal life comfort you during your loss.

“Thanks for your prayers and concern for us after our barn fire.” – **Brian, Flora, Tom, and Joe Bresser**



Ruby Buteyn has moved to Room 401 in the Christian Home. Her phone number is 324-7020.

Please pray for the group going to **Cedar Rapids, IA**, on Thursday to help with the clean up from last year's flood. Thank you for your financial support of this project!

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

Congratulations!

<u>Anniversaries:</u>	<u>Sep</u>	<u>Birthdays:</u>	<u>Sep</u>
Clayton & Ruby Buteyn	7	Dale Jansen	6
Peter & Kristin Hofman	8	Debra Navis	6
John & Arlene De Jager	9	Travis Mulder	8
Charles & Lori Kitchner	10	Hazel Buwalda	9
Larry & Trix Daane	11	Seth Huizenga	11

Church News

**Monthly Budget Update
Month ending July 2009**

Fund	Year to Date Receipts	Year to Date Budget	Difference
Local Budget*	\$9,443.55	\$11,233.00	(\$1,789.45)
Denominational Shares	\$2,619.37	\$6,180.00	(\$3,560.63)
Classical Shares	\$1,225.22	\$1,665.00	(\$439.78)
Faith Promise Fund**	\$1,254.00	\$1,400.00	(\$146.00)

*Local Budget balance = \$4,339.47.46 (after Designated funds are withdrawn)

**Faith Promise Balance = \$1,081.02

Council is STILL looking for someone to coordinate our church's program at the Christian Home twice a year. Any groups and/or individuals willing to do this are asked to contact Mike Vander Berg.

URGENTLY 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 Education Fund Committee will meet briefly in the upstairs classroom after the morning service.

If you haven't submitted your completed **Ministry Service Form** yet, please fill one out from the narthex counter and put in the "RETURN" mailslot **today**.

Today is the last day to donate yarn for the Waupun Correctional Institution. Please place your donation (preferable "Red Heart" brand or



softer baby yarns – no “eyelash”/fuzzy yarn, please) of all standard colors in the narthex container. Thank you!

The new **Sunday School season** begins next Sunday. The 11th/12th class will meet at 8:15 AM in the upstairs Youth Room. Students in 5th-10th grade will meet in the upstairs classrooms after the morning service. All pre-schoolers (who turned 4 by September 1) are invited to join the rest of the classes in the basement after the morning service.



The **8:45 AM First Fellowship** resumes next Sunday, and the **library hours** switch back to after the evening worship.



Sign up in the narthex by next Sunday if you would like to receive the bimonthly newsletter **Nurture** from CRC-NA. It is full of fresh, fun, and do-able ideas that real families can use. A sample is on the bulletin board.

Are you the mother of a preschooler? If so, we invite you to check out our **MOPS** group this year! Meet other moms, enjoy some time together, some fun activities, and some good food, too! Meetings are held at 6:30 PM on the 2nd Thursday of every month. Our first meeting of the year will be held this Thursday at Bethel CRC. The theme we will focus on this year is **Together on Planet Mom. "For where two or three come together in my name, there I am with them." Matthew 18:20.** Membership for the year is \$20—and due only after you have come to a meeting to see if MOPS is for you! If you have any questions or would like more information, call Sara at (920) 324-1086 or Rachelle at (920) 324-3580. We hope to see you there!



GEMS Girls Club will kick off the year with a movie night this Friday from 6:30-8:30 PM at Edgewood Community Church in Waupun. (Drop the girls off at the entrance closest to Edgewood Dr.) All girls in 3rd-8th grade are invited, so feel free to invite a friend or 2!

GEMS (Girls Everywhere Meeting the Savior) Theme Night and Registration will be Wednesday, September 16th from 6:30-8:30 PM at Bethel CRC in Waupun. All girls in 3rd grade-8th grade are welcome! GEMS meets every 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month from September through April. Theme Night is a special opening night where the girls will do a prayer fitness challenge—so dress in workout/fitness gear for this special night. Any girl is welcome to come to the Theme night even if they aren't sure they are going to be in GEMS for the year. A donation of \$20 per family for the year is appreciated. Please come inside Bethel the first night of GEMS to fill out a registration card and get a calendar and other information for your daughter(s). Please contact Annie Syens with any questions- anniesyens@yahoo.com or 318-2289. Thanks!

Care Group 6 is invited to the Van Hill's for fellowship after the September 20th morning worship.

The 2009 Waupun Area CROP Walk (Community Responding to Overcoming Poverty) will be held on October 10. Money raised goes to fight hunger world-wide as well as for our local food pantry. With walks of 1, 3, or 5 miles there is a distance for everyone. If you would like to walk or for more details contact Bob Mulder



Community News

Hospice Hope Volunteers Needed: If you have a desire to be of help to others, develop your ability to relate well to people during crises times, grow personally, give something back to your community, experience the challenges of new experiences, and have a direct personal impact on your world, please consider being a Hospice volunteer. Volunteers play a crucial role in our services by supporting our patients and families in direct patient care, respite care, bereavement care, administrative work and more. See the bulletin board for September 19th and October 3rd training information. The deadline for registering is this Tuesday.

The Waupun Area Food Pantry is in need of cream soups such as Cream of Mushroom, Cream of Chicken, and Cream of Celery. (No Tomato soup, please.) Place your donations in the narthex box by next Sunday.

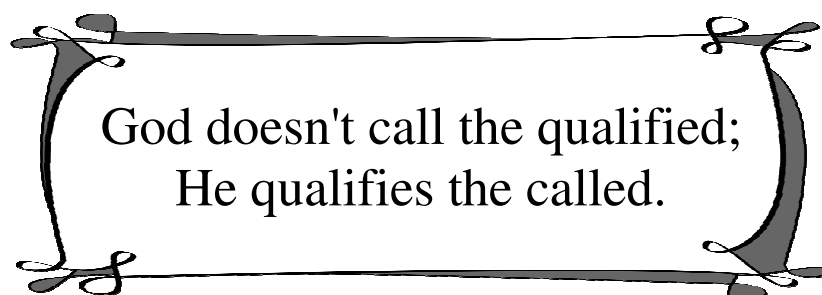


The Christian Homestead is planning for the holidays! We are in need of winter-themed mugs, curling ribbon, tea cups and saucers for the "Winter Tea" and decorations for winter, as well as items for Easter and spring. Thank you!! Donations can be dropped off at The Homestead (1001 W. Brown St.) or call 324-6560.

Miscellaneous News

CRWRC: Thousands of people affected by Hurricane Ike last year are still in need of CRWRC's help. CRWRC Disaster Response Services is at work in Louisiana and Texas, and in other locations affected by disaster and need to raise approximately \$350,000 to complete projects in these areas. To give to these disaster response efforts, mark your gift "Disaster Response Services" and place in any offering.

Paul's Missionary Journeys in Greece (March 31 - April 13): Walk in the footsteps of Paul during the day and study his letters at night! Travel by motor coach and cruise ship to sites connected with Paul's second and third missionary journeys. Each evening features a study session on "Paul: His Life & His Letters." Join host Jeff Weima, professor of New Testament at Calvin Theological Seminary and leading Pauline scholar, for this tour. For information, contact Dr. Weima at weimje@calvinseminary.edu or 616-957-6019



Church Calendar

Today:	9:30 AM	Morning Worship
	10:45 AM	Education Fund Committee
	7:00 PM	Evening Worship @ Bethel CRC
Thu:	6:30 PM	MOPS @ Bethel CRC
Fri:	6:30 PM	GEMS @ Edgewood
Next Sun:	8:15 AM	11 th /12 th Catechism
	8:45 AM	First Fellowship

Next Week

Accompanist

AM – Lois Mulder
PM – Laura Ten Pass

Children's Message

Brian O'Donovan

Children & Worship

Teacher: Tabbie Vander Werff
Helpers: Breanna Smits
Trevor Zonnefeld

Greeters

AM – Marcia Buteyn
Winnojean Scheuers
PM – Charlie & Lori Kitchner

Library

Linda Pausma
Angela Buwalda
Winnojean Scheuers

Musical Praise

Mike Vander Berg

Nursery

AM – Bonnie, Lucas, & Dylan Vander Berg
PM – Brad & Rhonda Schouten
Jason De Jager

Offering

AM – Local Budget
PM – Elim Christian School

Pastoral Prayer

Al Venhuizen

Sound System

Glen Greenfield

Transportation

Arky Navis (324-2859)
Morris Te Grootenhuis (539-1246)

Ushers

Ray Hofman
Brian O'Donovan
Tyler Ten Pass
Thomas Venhuizen

Video Projection

Katie De Jager

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 (Fort Carson, CO)

Casey Derksen (Iraq)

Chaplain Peter Hofman

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

Requests

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

Remember the **Sunday School and Catechism teachers** as they train the children in the instruction of the Lord.

School Bells: With pencils sharpened and in hand, students and teachers overseas have begun another school year. Like teachers in Christian school classrooms here, **CRWM missionary teachers** have a unique opportunity to present the Gospel in their classrooms. As you pray for education programs here, pray for missionary teachers working around the world.

Back to God Ministries International—More than 300 million children live in China—most of whom have never heard of Jesus. Praise God that our Chinese website is reaching some of these children. A listener from Anhui province wrote: “My child and I listen to Kids World. Before [I found your program] I did not know there are children's Gospel programs. Thank you so much, for the children need the Gospel and the truth too.”