

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
Bulletin announcements deadline: Thursday noon
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9:30 AM Worship

*(*Please stand if you are able)*

Prelude

*Call to Worship

Song of Praise: “Lamb of God” R302

*God’s Greeting

*We Greet Each Other

Song of Preparation: “Let us Draw Near to the Throne of God” (see screen)

(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

Proverbs 28:13

Matthew 18:21-35

I’m Sorry reading by Nick Andrew and William Bronkhorst

We Study God’s Word: I’m Sorry

Prayer of Confession and Assurance (read responsively)

**Holy and merciful God,
we confess to you and to one another,
and to the whole communion of saints in heaven and on earth,
that we have sinned by our own fault
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done
and by what we have left undone.**

We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength.

We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

We have not forgiven others as we have been forgiven.

Have mercy on us, O God.

We have not listened to your call to serve as Christ served us.

We have not been true to the mind of Christ.

We have grieved your Holy Spirit.

Have mercy on us, O God.

We confess to you, O God, all our past unfaithfulness:

the pride, hypocrisy, and impatience in our lives,

we confess to you, O God.

Our self-indulgent appetites and ways
and our exploitation of other people,

we confess to you, O God.

Our anger at our own frustration
and our envy of those more fortunate than ourselves,

we confess to you, O God.

Our intemperate love of worldly goods and comforts
and our dishonesty in daily life and work,

we confess to you, O God.

Our negligence in prayer and worship
and our failure to commend the faith that is in us,

we confess to you, O God.

Accept our repentance, O God,
for the wrongs we have done.

For our neglect of human need and suffering
and our indifference to injustice and cruelty,

accept our repentance, O God.

For all false judgments,
for uncharitable thoughts toward our neighbors,
and for our prejudice and contempt
toward those who differ from us,

accept our repentance, O God.

For our waste and pollution of your creation
and our lack of concern for those who come after us,

accept our repentance, O God.

Restore us, O God,
and let your anger depart from us.

**Favorably hear us, O God,
for your mercy is great. Amen.**

Communion: G979

Offering: Benevolent Fund

Ministry of Music led by the Choir: "Before the Throne of God Above"

***Benediction**

***Doxology:** "By the Sea of Crystal" G620

***Postlude**

7:00 PM Worship

*(*Please stand if you are able)*

Prelude

*Call to Worship

*God's Greeting

Songs of Praise led by Mike Vander Berg

Prayers of the People led by Gregg Zonnefeld

Offering: Denominational Ministry Shares

***Song of Preparation:** "The Solid Rock" R526 vs. 1-3

***Affirmation of Faith:** "Our Commitment to Holy Living" (responsively)

Since we have been saved by grace, how shall we live in relationship to Him who saved us?

We will have no other gods before Him; we will not make for ourselves any substitute gods; we will not abuse the name of the Lord, but speak it only in reverence and love; we will honor the Lord's day through worship, witness and fellowship with His people.

How shall we live in relationship with others?

We will honor our parents and hold the family in high esteem; we will not abuse, hate or injure our friends or neighbors by words, gestures or deeds; we will not commit adultery, but live holy disciplined lives; we will not steal; we will not lie; we will not grasp for what we do not have, nor reject others for having it.

How does Jesus summarize these commandments?

He says that we should love the Lord our God with all our heart, mind and strength, and our neighbors as ourselves, and by God's grace, we will do it!

***We Study God's Word:** Ruth 4

Prayer

*Benediction

***Doxology:** "Praise God from Whom all Blessings Flow" G638

*Postlude

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

This morning we celebrate **Holy Communion**. We welcome visitors in our midst to partake of the Lord’s Supper with us if you are a professing member of a church that holds the Bible to be God’s infallible Word and if you profess your faith in the triune God (Father, Son and Holy Spirit).

Today is the **International Day of Prayer for the Persecuted Church**. There are many Christians around the world who are abandoned because of their faith in Jesus. Some Christians are abandoned by their families; children are kicked out of their homes because they refuse to stop following Jesus. Some Christians are abandoned by their friends because their friends are afraid to be seen with a Christian. Sometimes when Christians are abandoned, people wonder if maybe God has rejected them, too. But God promises in the Bible that he will never leave us. He has promised to be with us no matter what. Commit time in your prayers to remember Christians who feel abandoned. *“We are hard pressed on every side, but not crushed; perplexed, but not in despair; persecuted, but not abandoned; struck down, but not destroyed.”* 2 Corinthians 4:8-9



Verse of the Week: Proverbs 28:13 “He who conceals his sins does not prosper, but whoever confesses and renounces them finds mercy.”

Next Sunday morning, Pastor Verlan Van Ee will lead us in worship as part of a 3-way pulpit exchange between Bethel, Living Hope, and us for the Vertical Habits series.

Our Family

We extend our sympathies to the families of **Ruby Buteyn and Paul Vande Kolk** who laid their sister, Joann Bronkhorst, to rest this past Monday. May the Lord continue to comfort you during this time of loss.

“Thank you for uplifting our family and extended family in your prayers when Rose’s father underwent quadruple heart bypass. We praise God for granting a successful surgery and good recovery.” – **Steve & Rose Homan**

“Thank you for your thoughts, prayers, cards, and gifts of food in the passing of Ken’s mother. Thanks also to Pastor Craig, Pastor Norman, and Elder Denny for your visits.” – **Ken & Gardie Ten Pass**

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

<u>Anniversaries:</u>	<u>Nov</u>		<u>Nov</u>
Dewey & Lois Pausma	14	Jerry & Jeanette Tjepkema	14

<u>Birthdays:</u>	<u>Nov</u>	<i>Congratulations!</i>	<u>Nov</u>
Trix Daane	9	Howard Loomans	11
Kim Greenfield	9	Sean Scheuers	12
Leanne Johnson	9	Jacob Mulder	14
Jake Vander Werff	10	Allen Stahmann	14

Church News

Have you been thinking of making profession of faith? Would you like to join a group that will talk about what we believe? Then let Pastor Craig know. A new group will be starting soon.

Youth Group Members: Please meet briefly at the front of the sanctuary after this morning's service to talk about Winter Retreat. Reminder: the registration form needs to be mailed tomorrow.



Needed: Adults to accompany the Youth Group to Winter Retreat on January 21-24. Please contact a Youth Group leader if you are interested or have questions.

Care Group 8 (Elder Glen Greenfield and Deacon Todd Schouten) is invited to the Van Hill's for fellowship after this morning's worship service.

The Sunday Night Bible Study Group will be meeting next week instead of this evening.

Revised Office Hours: Tuesday & Wednesday 10 AM-3 PM. Please submit bulletin announcements by Wednesday noon.

Pastor Craig and Elder Glen Greenfield will be serving **home communion** to our shut-ins on Tuesday. If you or someone you know desires home communion but has not yet been contacted, please inform Pastor Craig.

SWaT: Our postponed activity has been rescheduled for this Wednesday. Please RSVP if you can make it. We will meet at Mark Vander Werff's at 6:15 PM, and parents can pick up at Culver's at 8:30 PM.

Youth Group will meet at 7:00 PM this Wednesday at the Union. Lunch: Anna Hofman.



Friendship Bible Study will meet at Bethel CRC next Monday, November 16. Kids (ages 7-18) at 5:45-6:45 PM; Adults at 7:00-8:00 PM.

Due to the overwhelming response to **Christmas Stars**, we will now be taking two buses on December 5. We have approximately 15 tickets/seats available. If anyone is still interested, please talk to Mike and Bonnie Vander Berg by



Monday, November 16.



The Sunday School and Catechism classes will once again be involved with **Operation Christmas Child**. You will find the specific information in your mailboxes this morning. We invite **everyone** to help us fill shoe boxes or donate money to help cover the postage for these boxes. (Please put money in an envelope marked for Operation Christmas Child in the offering or give to Brian O'Donovan). We will need all filled shoeboxes brought to church by **Sunday, November 22**. Thanks for your support. *"Every shoe box offers an opportunity to share the Good News of the Savior with a hurting child."* Franklin Graham.

It's that time of year again! The **Senior Supper** is coming up soon, and the Youth Group wants to know who will be joining in on this year's fun times and great food! The dinner will be December 9 at 6:30. There is a sign-up sheet in the narthex or you can call Scott and Jen Ritzema (324-0714). Please sign up if you plan on coming and let us know if you will be needing a ride to church or a ride home after the dinner. We are looking forward to another fantastic night of fellowship!

Community Happenings

Central Wisconsin Christian will host its annual "**Salute to Veterans**" this Tuesday at 1:30 PM in the Secondary Campus Gymnasium. All area veterans are invited to join us for this special ceremony which will reflect on the gift of service shared by those who fought to defend the cause of freedom in the past and remembering the soldiers currently deployed. Veterans in attendance will be personally recognized for their contributions. The public is invited to join this moving ceremony of reflection and remembrance.



MOPS Moms: Our next meeting is this Thursday at 6:30 PM at Bethel CRC. Bring non-perishable food or toiletry items for the Waupun Food Pantry and double your chances of winning great prizes!! Call Sara with any questions at 324-1086 or Rachele at 324-3580 if you need childcare.



***As in water face reflects face,
so the heart of man reflects the man.***

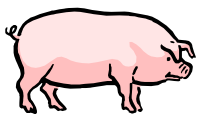
Proverbs 27:19

Moms In Touch International, in celebration of 25 years of praying for children and schools, is hosting a unique prayer and fasting event called **Arise! Cry Out!** On this day women around the world will unite with one heart, one voice and in one Spirit for a worldwide day of extraordinary prayer for children and schools.

Please join us at Delevan Christian Reformed Church (850 Oak Street) this Saturday at 9 AM-1 PM. Contact: Laurie Gaspar 262-728-2027 to register. For more information, visit www.MomsInTouch.org.

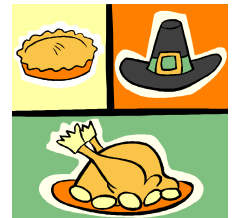
We look forward to a day of unprecedented prayer. Imagine the impact our prayers could have throughout our schools, communities, world, and throughout the generations as women in hundreds of locations around the globe pray with one heart for God to bring repentance, restoration and revival to the children in our own communities and those around the world.

Tickets are now on sale for the **11th Annual Pork Chop Supper**, hosted by area pork producers and the CWC Athletic Booster Club. The dinner will be held in the secondary campus gym this Saturday with serving from 4:30-7:00 PM.



The menu includes a delicious thick-cut pork chop with all the fixings. Carry outs will be available that evening for those who choose to eat at home. Tickets can be purchased at the CWC office at a cost of \$8.00 in advance and \$10 at the door, with tickets for kids under 10 just half price. Come out and join us for great night of food and fellowship!

A special invitation is extended to singles, couples, and/or families who are alone or unable to prepare the traditional Thanksgiving Day meal. Pella Lutheran Church's 20th annual **Thanksgiving Day dinner** will be served at 12 noon on Thursday, November 26, in the church's fellowship hall. Please phone a reservation to Heidi Wardin at 324-9410 or Jan White at 324-8608 or 324-3799 by Friday, November 20,



Around the World

The CRC has been deeply involved in restorative justice, which attempts to engage victims of crime, offenders and the affected communities in bringing about deep and lasting solutions by focusing on restitution, restoration, healing, and the future. See what God is doing through restorative justice, and how you can become a part of it: click on Issues, then Restorative Justice on the Office of Social Justice's website: www.crcjustice.org.

CRC News - This week's stories include: CRWRC Holds Travel-to-Africa Contest, Calvin Prof Sees Hope in Honduras, CRHM Translates Coffee Break Study, Partnerships and Microloans Help Businesses. To read these and subscribe to the weekly email, visit www.crcna.org/news.

Headed to Urbana '09? CRWM and CRWRC are offering grants to help with the cost of travel for CRCNA young people who are attending Urbana '09. For more

information and to download an application, visit www.crwm.org. Applications are due November 30--apply today!

Dordt College announces a new learning vacation to be held June 6-11, 2010. Join Dordt professors Jim Schaap and Robb De Haan as they lead their third **Great Plains Experience**, this time on the "Prairie's Edge." The motorcoach tour begins and ends in Sioux Center at Dordt, and takes in a wide spectrum of topics including wind energy, changes in farming practices, the 1862 Sioux Indian Uprising, and lifestyles in small, rural communities. You'll visit places in eastern South Dakota and western Minnesota that most tourists will never find. That's the adventure! For a brochure or more information, contact Dianne De Wit at 712-722-6029 or ddewit@dordt.edu

Calendar

Today:	8:15 AM	11 th /12 th Grade Catechism
	8:45 AM	First Fellowship
	9:30 AM	Morning Worship
	10:45 AM	Sunday School & Catechism
	10:45 AM	Choir Rehearsal
	7:00 PM	Evening Worship
Wed:	10:00 AM – 3:00 PM	Revised Office Hours (bulletin announcements are due by noon)
	6:15 PM	SWaT @ Mark Vander Werff's
	7:00 PM	Youth Group @ the Union
Thu:		No Office Hours
Next Sun:	8:15 AM	11 th /12 th Catechism
	8:45 AM	First Fellowship

AM Worship

Accompanist

Cara Aylesworth

Children & Worship

Teacher: Nancy Vande Berg

Helpers: Austin Huizenga
Den Vande Berg

Greeters

Seth, Cara, Reegan & Brayden Aylesworth

Nursery

Dale & Beth Andrew
Mikayla Zonnefeld

Sound System

Glen Greenfield

Transportation

Percy De Vries (324-4678)

Glen & Sandy Greenfield (346-5152)

Ushers

Norm Buwalda

Grant Kamphuis

Dan Montsma

Trevor Zonnefeld

Video Projection

Katie De Jager

Missionary Letters

Melissa H. to Daryl Pfantz

Steve H. to Brother Bob

Bruce H. to Chaplain Peter⁺

⁺Please pray especially for this missionary family this week.

PM Worship

Accompanist

Brenda Hofman

Greeters

Bob & Kathy Bille

Library

Winnnojean Scheuers

Sandy Greenfield

Arlene De Jager

Nursery

Jenna Hofman

Jordan De Jager

Sound System

Glen Greenfield

Transportation

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Katie De Jager

Next Week

Accompanist

AM – Lois Mulder

PM – Laura Ten Pass

Children's Message

Brian O'Donovan

Children & Worship

Teacher: Beth Andrew

Helpers: Jordan De Jager

Adam Venhuizen

Greeters

AM – Allegra Bossenbroek

Lois Mulder

PM – Brian, Flora, Tom, & Joe Bresser

Library

Lori Kitchner

Nancy Wierenga

Marcia Buteyn

Musical Praise

Keith Venhuizen

Nursery

AM – Brad, Rhonda, Josh, & Jolie Schouten

PM – Scott & Jenny Ritzema

Offering

AM – Local Budget

PM – Faith Promise

Pastoral Prayer

Ken Homan

Sound System

Pete Vander Werff

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Prayer List



Shut-Ins

**Gerald Bossenbroek
Ruby Buteyn
Bea Heideman
Eugene Kikkert
Josie Looman
Wilma Navis
Jerry Tjepkema**

**Delia Buteyn
Hazel Buwalda
Junice Kamphuis
Millie Kuiper
Bud Navis
Howard Te Beest
Minnie Tobak**

Health Concerns

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

Military

**Wiebe & Ruth Buwalda's grandson, Peter Woreck (Afghanistan)
Larry & Trix Daane's grandson, Jeff Daane (NAS Pensacola, FL)
Sam Daane (Beal AFB, CA)
Jack & Marla De Jager's nephew, Jonathan Sturing (Fort Carson, CO)
Casey Derksen (Camp Taji, Iraq)
Chaplain Peter Hofman (Fort Bragg, NC)
Louie & Nancy Wierenga's grandson, Devin Terry (Baghdad, Iraq)**

Requests

Remember those with **physical and/or mental disabilities** and those who care for them.

Continue to uplift those affected by the **Ft. Hood shootings** this past week.

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