

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)

The Opening

Prelude

*We Greet Each Other

*Call to Worship

*God's Greeting

*Songs of Praise led by Praise Team #3

Confession and Assurance

Call to Confession: Psalm 51:3-6 in unison

³ For I know my transgressions, and my sin is always before me.

**⁴ Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight,
so that you are proved right when you speak and justified when you
judge.**

⁵ Surely I was sinful at birth, sinful from the time my mother conceived me.

**⁶ Surely you desire truth in the inner parts; you teach me wisdom in the
inmost place.**

Prayer of Confession: Psalm 51:1-2; 7-12 in unison

**¹ Have mercy on me, O God, according to your unfailing love;
according to your great compassion blot out my transgressions.**

² Wash away all my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin.

**⁷ Cleanse me with hyssop, and I will be clean; wash me, and I will be whiter
than snow.**

⁸ Let me hear joy and gladness; let the bones you have crushed rejoice.

⁹ Hide your face from my sins and blot out all my iniquity.

¹⁰ Create in me a pure heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me.

¹¹ Do not cast me from your presence or take your Holy Spirit from me.

**¹² Restore to me the joy of your salvation and grant me a willing spirit, to
sustain me.**

Assurance of Pardon: Psalm 51:15-17

God's Call to Gratitude

We Hear the Word of God

Children's Lesson led by Ken Homan

(Children aged 3 years through 4th grade may come forward for the Children's Message. Afterwards, children aged 3-6 may leave for Children's Worship in the upstairs Youth Room.)

Song of Preparation: "God Himself is with Us" G244:1-3

*Scripture: Psalm 71

Text: Psalm 71:8

Sermon: "Our Awesome Father"

1. The Correct Consciousness
2. The Ready Response

Prayer of Application

The Response of the People

*Song of Response: "Fill Thou My Life" G547:1-3

Congregational and Offertory Prayer

Offering: Local Budget

Dismissed to Serve

*Parting Song: "O Come, My Soul, Sing Praise to God" G297:1-3

*Benediction

*Doxology: "Bless His Holy Name" G627

*Postlude

Accompanist

Lois Mulder

Children & Worship

Teacher: Beth Andrew

Helpers: Breanna Smits
Whitney Wierenga

Fellowship Coffee

Kevin & Andrea Buwalda

Greeters

Harry & Pat Homan

Nursery

Allen & Lisa Stahmann

Lynnae Smits

Sound System

Pete Vander Werff

Transportation

Percy De Vries (324-4678)

Louie Wierenga (324-3683)

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Jason De Jager

Seth Huizenga

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Missionary Letters

Dan Roets to Daryl Pfantz⁺

Greg Root to Brother Bob

Darrall Schaver to Chaplain Peter

⁺Please pray especially for this missionary family this week.

7:00 PM Worship

*(*Please stand if you are able)*

The Opening

Prelude

*Call to Worship

*Opening Song: "Come, Thou Almighty King"
G246:1-4

*God's Greeting

Time of Prayer and Praise

Musical Praise led by Ben Homan

Prayers of the People led by Brian O'Donovan

We Hear the Word of God

*Scripture: Genesis 12:1-9

Text: Genesis 12:2-3

Sermon: "Blessed to be a Blessing"

1. The Able Author
2. The Abundant Appropriation
3. The Perfect Procedure

Prayer of Application

The Response of the People

*Song of Response: "When We Walk with the
Lord" G548:1-3

*Affirmation of Faith: "Apostles' Creed" G813

Offertory Prayer

Offering: Building Fund

The Dismissal

*Parting Song: "Lead Me, Guide Me" G544:1-3

*Benediction

*Doxology: "He Is Lord" G633

*Time of Meditation

*Postlude

Accompanist

Cara Aylesworth

Greeters

Jim & Lois Groenewold

Library

Nancy Wierenga

Dorothy Schouten

Lori Kitchner

Nursery

Dominique Van Hill

Thomas Venhuizen

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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. Large-print bulletins and children's bulletins are available in the back sanctuary rack

Please feel free to check one of the **“Visitor” mailslots** in the narthex for additional materials.



Worship Notes

Pastor Norman leads us in worship today while Pastor Craig is on vacation.

Prayer for the Nations: In celebration of the Winter Olympics in Vancouver, British Columbia on February 12-28, we will watch a Christian Reformed World Missions prayer video during this morning's offering. It highlights ways to pray for countries represented in the Olympics and the ministries of CRWM. Look for a prayer guide for the 17-day event in your mailslot today.

This morning's offering is the Local Budget—to pay the church's operating expenses.

This evening's offering will be for the Building Fund—to pay for upkeep on the church building.

Our Family

We extend our sympathies to **Orlene Smits** and **Brian & Lorna O'Donovan** in the passing of their sister-in-law and aunt, **Marge Vossekuil**. Visitation is 4-6 PM today at Werner Harmsen Funeral Home and 9:30 AM tomorrow at First Reformed Church, with the funeral service following. May the presence of the Lord and the prayers of friends comfort you during your loss.

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

<u>Anniversaries:</u>	<u>Feb</u>		<u>Feb</u>
Den & Nancy Vande Berg	11	Bruce & Leanne Huizenga	12
<u>Birthdays:</u>	<u>Feb</u>	<i>Congratulations!</i>	<u>Feb</u>
Grace Hartgerink	7	Alex Schaver	11
Luke Jansen	8	Steve Homan	13
Katie De Jager	10	Steve Wierenga	13
Jean Jansen	10		

Church News

Please sign up TODAY for the Senior Supper which has been rescheduled for next Wednesday. The food and fun begin at 6:30 PM. Please let us know if you will be able to attend. You can also call Scott & Jen Ritzema at 324-0714.



Halle Group is sponsoring a **Cut-and-Tie Fleece night** tomorrow night—fleece blankets will be made and given to the Waupun Area Food Pantry for distribution. Men, this is not just a women’s project—we can use lots of hands. Bring your scissors and come to the church basement. We will be there from 6 to 9 PM. Come when you can.

Council will meet in the upstairs Youth Room at 8:00 PM tomorrow. Please inform an elder or deacon if you have any matter for the council.

Worship Committee will meet this Tuesday at 5:30 PM.

SWaT will meet at Bethel CRC at 4:30 PM this Wednesday (or as soon as you can make it) for our mini-service project. The plan is to work for a time, have some pizza and then finish up. Please, email Pat to RSVP so we know how much pizza to order. See you Wednesday.

Youth Group will meet this Wednesday, 7:00 PM, at the Union. Snacks: Tyler Jansen.

MOPS Moms—Our annual “Spa Night” is this Thursday at 6:30 PM. We will meet at the Body Joy Spa in Waupun for a night of fun! If you have not signed up yet, please call Gina at 324-2662. Any other questions?-- call Sara at 324-1086.



The Union is hosting a middle school dance this Friday for grades 6-8. The cost of admittance is 3 dollars. The doors open at 7:00 PM and the dance ends at 10:00 PM. In addition, we are in need of adult volunteers to help chaperon this dance. If you are willing or able to be of service please contact Randy at randy@fdlyfc.org or (920) 344-9608.

Please feel free to contact him with any questions that you may have.

Saturday Night Alive will meet this Saturday, 6:30 PM, at Lois’.

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



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 by February 21.

Church Social Outing: Mark your calendars for a fun-filled evening of bowling and pizza at Jud-Sons on Friday, March 5 at 6:30 PM. This is a great activity for all ages! Check your mailbox for more details. Please sign up in the narthex by Sunday, February 21. Contact Steve or Melissa Wierenga with questions.



Save the Date! “High Seas Expedition” VBS will be held July 19-22 here at First CRC.

Community Happenings



See the bulletin board for information on **free H1N1 Vaccinations Clinics**.

For those participating or still interested in going on Trinity's **adult mission trip** to Mt. Vernon, KY – there will be a trip meeting at 7:00 PM tomorrow in Trinity's lower level. If you have questions, please contact Megan Van Peurse (324-2400) or Jim Nummerdor (324-3264).

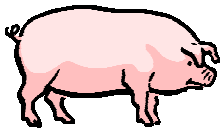
Surprise your special someone with a **Singing Valentine!** Youth for Christ will send a Barbershop Quartet (men or women) to an office, home, classroom, restaurant... or anyplace in Fond du Lac or Waupun on Friday, February 12. The quartet will arrive unannounced and will sing two "special" love songs; presenting your "sweetheart" with a long-stemmed rose, a box of chocolates, a card (naming the sender) and a Polaroid photo with the quartet. All for only \$40.00. Call the YFC office at 923-1416 or fill out the on-line form at www.fdlyfc.org by Wednesday by this Wednesday!



Kingdom Kids 4K Pre-School at Central Wisconsin Christian will be offering three sessions for the 2010-2011 school year. Three-day and two-day options are available in either our morning or afternoon programs. Sign-up for Kingdom Kids will begin on February 15. To find out more, call the school office at 324-2721 or find more details online at www.centralwisconsinchristian.org.



Pork Chop Supper fundraiser for Trinity Reformed's adult mission trip to Mt. Vernon, KY will be Saturday, February 20, from 5-8 PM. Tickets are \$8 in advance and includes pork chop, baked potato, corn, applesauce, roll, milk, coffee, and dessert. Tickets can be purchased by calling the church office (324-2400). Tickets at the door will be \$8.50.



Financial Classes starting February 22 at the Waupun Library. Preview and information sessions will be held February 11 at 5:30 p.m. at the Library. Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University - 13 week course is hosted by First Reformed Church. For more information or to sign-up call Kari Ruis at 324-9091.

Soup Supper: The Youth Group at First Reformed Church at 422 W. Franklin Street in Waupun will be holding a soup and chili supper on Wednesday, February 24th. Serving will be from 5:00 - 6:30 p.m. A freewill donation will be taken to support youth group events throughout the year.



Calendar

Today:	8:15 AM	11 th /12 th Catechism
	8:45 AM	First Fellowship
	9:30 AM	Morning Worship
	10:45 AM	Sunday School/Catechism
	10:45 AM	Choir Rehearsal
	5:30 PM	Easter Cantata Rehearsal @ 1 st Randolph Reformed
	7:00 PM	Evening Worship
Mon:	6:00 – 9:00 PM	Cut-and Tie Fleece Night (come when you can)
	7:00 PM	Elder's Meeting
	7:30 PM	Deacon's Meeting
	8:00 PM	Council
Tue:	5:30 PM	Worship Committee
Wed:	4:30 PM	SWaT @ Bethel CRC
	7:00 PM	Youth Group @ The Union
Thu:	6:30 PM	MOPS @ Body Joy Spa
Fri:	6:00 PM	Middle School Dance @ The Union
Sat:	6:30 PM	Saturday Night Alive @ Lois'
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

Marla De Jager

Children & Worship

Teacher: Dominique Van Hill
Helpers: Lynnae Smits
Cody Zonnefeld

Fellowship Coffee

Pete & Tabbie Vander Werff

Greeters

AM – Gene & Toni Hofman
PM – Phil, Mary-Nell, & Anna Hofman

Library

Faith Miedema
Marge Vande Streek
Sandy Greenfield

Musical Praise

Elaine Homan

Nursery

AM – Charlie & Lori Kitchner
Dylan Vander Berg
PM – Katie De Jager
Jason De Jager

Offering

AM – The Christian Home
PM – Education Fund

Pastoral Prayer

Keith Venhuizen

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Prayer List



Shut-Ins

Gerald Bossenbroek
Ruby Buteyn
Bea Heideman
Eugene Kikkert
Josie Looman
Wilma Navis
Minnie Tobak

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

Health

Pray that **Charlie Kitchner** will be relieved of blood clots.

Pray for continued healing from neck pain for **Sandy Greenfield**.

Remember **Wayne Kok** as he recovers from a fall on the ice.

Pray for continued recovery and improvement for **Martin Miedema** and **Merle Schouten**.

Pray for **Lois Mulder's brother, Mark**, as he prepares for a hip replacement in March.

Remember **Dewey and Don Pausma's brother-in-law, Hank Den Hollander**, as he struggles after a stem cell transplant for his Leukemia.

Pray that **Pastor Ken Prol's** (Randolph 1st CRC) back surgery will be successful.

Military

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)

Chaplain Peter Hofman (Fort Bragg, NC)

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

Requests

Remember **Kevin & Andrea Buwalda** as they anticipate the blessing of parenthood.

Pray for the Lord's blessing on **Toni Hofman's brother, Mike**, as he works with a medical team in Haiti.

Uplift **Orlene Smits and Brian & Lorna O'Donovan** in the passing of their sister-in-law and aunt, Marge Vossekuil.

Remember the **soldiers who have returned from active duty** as they adjust back to civilian life.

Pray for the **Olympic athletes**—that their hearts will be open to hearing the Gospel while in Canada.

Pray that God will use **Back to God Ministries Spotlight** programs to lead Okantha, a Buddhist monk in India, to a relationship with Jesus Christ. Okantha found the Spotlight website and was intrigued by its content. He calls himself "your pupil of the internet." Pray that Okantha would also become a disciple of Jesus Christ!



The Union Update

February 2010

Singing Valentine

For a small donation, YFC will send a Barbershop Quartet (Men or Women) to an office, home, classroom, restaurant... Or anyplace in Fond du Lac or Waupun on Friday, February 12th

For Details:

Call the YFC office at 923-1416 or visit our website by Wednesday, February 10th to reserve your Valentine!

The Bowl-a-thon is coming!!!

March 7th - Beaver Dam

March 12th & 13th - Fond du Lac

TEAM INCENTIVES!

GRAND PRIZE for Individual Pledges Raised!

LOTS of DOOR PRIZES

Silent Auction!

DJ ~~ FUN Bowling Challenges

RAFFLE!!

For more information or to sign up your team go to our website!

Fond du Lac YFC and the Union have a new website!

Check it out at www.fdlyfc.org

Junior High Dances: Feb 12th & March 19th @ 7pm

Once a month the Union puts on a Middle School Dance. Our facility is completely open to all Middle School aged kids. There are games, skate park, movies, and music. Cost is \$3.00.

The Union is a local youth center located in the old middle school building in Waupun. It is a part of the Fond du Lac Area chapter of Youth For Christ. Campus Life, Campus Life JV, Middle School dances, and High School Hang Out are a few of the events that take place at The Union.

On any give week The Union could have between 50 to 500 teens walk through its doors.

For more information or to fulfill a need:

Scott: 920-948-8185 or Randy: 920-344-9608

<http://www.fdlyfc.org/theunion.cfm>

Thank you for your prayers and support!