

First Christian Reformed Church



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Secretary Office Hours: Tuesday & 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:**

"My Country, 'Tis of Thee" R807 vs. 3-4
"Song for the Nations" R439 vs. 1-5

***God's Greeting**

***We Greet Each Other**

Preparatory

Song: "If My People Will Pray" R803

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

Children's Message by Laura Venhuizen

(Afterwards, children ages 3-6 may leave for Children & Worship in the upstairs Youth Room.)

Song of Preparation: "Stand Up Stand Up For Jesus" R730 vs. 1

Congregational Prayer

***Scripture:** Revelation 3:7-13 read by Erin Homan

We Study God's Word: "Hold Onto Your Crowns"

Prayer

***Response in Song:** "Crown Him with Many Crowns" R45 vs. 1-3

Offertory Prayer

Offering for Local Budget

***Benediction**

***Parting Song:** "Battle Hymn of the Republic" R804 vs. 4

Postlude

Accompanist

Laura Ten Pass

Children & Worship

Teacher: Pete Vander Werff

Helpers: Breanna Smits

Cody Zonnefeld

Fellowship Coffee

Steve & Heidi Smits

Greeters

Brad, Rhonda, Joshua, Jolie, & Jenna Schouten

Library

Sandy Greenfield

Nancy Wierenga

Faith Miedema

Nursery

Dominique Van Hill

Sue Buwalda

Thomas Venhuizen

Sound System

Seth Aylesworth

Transportation

Arky Navis (324-2859)

Paul Vande Kolk (324-8981)

Ushers

Jack De Jager

Jordan De Jager

Ray Hofman

Dave Rens

Video Projection

Steve Wierenga

Missionary Letters

Lauren D. to Daryl Pfantz

Ashley F. to Brother Bob

Katie G. 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

*God's Greeting

Songs of Praise led by Merle Schouten

Prayers of the People led by Gregg Zonnefeld

Offering for Classical Ministry Shares

We Study God's Word: Judges 9:22-57

*Song of Response: "Faith is the Victory"
R727 vs. 1, 3, 4

*Affirmation of our Faith: based on Belgic Confession, Article 27 (see screen)

Prayer

*Benediction

*Doxology: "Glory Be To The Father" R812

*Postlude

Accompanist

Junice Rens

Greeters

Merle & Dorothy Schouten

Nursery

Kim Greenfield
Trevor Zonnefeld

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Welcome

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. If you would like further information about our church, check out our website at www.waupuncrc.com or contact Pastor Craig (324-2249) or the church office (324-2898)

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

"Blessed is the nation whose God is the LORD." (Psalm 33:12a)



Today is Independence Day, and we pause to thank the Lord for our founding fathers who declared "all men are created equal, endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that

among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness.” We thank Him for graciously watching over and blessing our country during the past 234 years and ask for His continued blessings in the years to come. We pray for His protection over those serving in the military and ask for peace. In all, may we recommit ourselves to “Defend the cause of the weak and fatherless; maintain the rights of the poor and oppressed, Rescue the weak and needy; deliver them from the hand of the wicked.” (Psalm 82:3-4)

Today is also **Preparatory** for the celebration of the Lord’s Supper next Sunday morning.

The 2011 Ministry Survey will be collected after this morning’s service. Please pick up a form from the back of the sanctuary, if needed, and turn it in to an Elder as you leave the sanctuary. Thank you for committing to serve God during this coming year.

This morning’s sermon is the last in a series of seven from Revelation entitled “**The Seven Churches of Revelation**.” We often shy away from this last book of the Bible with its stunning imagery and symbolism. Yet, over and over it beckons us to “hear what the Spirit says to the churches”—those of long ago and of today.

This morning’s offering is for the **Local Budget**—to pay the church’s operating expenses, which includes the minister’s salary and living expenses, church utilities, support staff wages, and other supplies and services needed to run the church.

This evening’s offering is for **Classical Ministry Shares**—to support regional ministries that are designated by Classis Wisconsin. This fund currently supports a Classis Fund, a Student Fund, Classis Home Missions, Classis World Missions, Dordt College, and Trinity Christian College.

Verse of the Week: Revelation 3:11 “I am coming soon. Hold on to what you have, so that no one will take your crown.”

Our Family

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

<u>Anniversary:</u>	July		July
Scott & Jenny Ritzema	8	Eric & Andrea Van Wyk	8
<u>Birthday:</u>	July		July
Kristi Zonnefeld	4	Harold Greenfield	8
Carol Navis	7	Michelle Root	9
Sadie Navis	7	Dana Turnmeyer	10
Lucas Vander Berg	7		

Congratulations!

June 28, 2010 "We will indeed be deployed to Afghanistan by the end of July. For security reasons I can't say exactly when or where yet. What I can tell you is that the conditions will be harsh and the environment very austere. It's times like this that I am reminded of and extremely thankful for our Sovereign God. He has the whole world in his hands...and the little tiny baby in his hands. Still waiting on the baby to arrive. Thankful for prayers." – **Chaplain Peter Hofman**



Church News



Sign up **today** to join us for another church outing as we cheer on the **Wisconsin Timber Rattlers** in Appleton on Saturday, July 17. This fun-filled evening will include a tailgate party, baseball game and fireworks! Any questions, contact Steve or Melissa.

VBS Need: Clean, clear used water bottles with the cap for crafts.



Have you ever wanted to paint a ship? Well now is your chance. We need your help to paint the VBS backdrop. We will be painting this Tuesday at 9:00-11:00 AM, this Wednesday at 6:30-8:00 PM, and next Monday, July 12, at 9:00-11:00 AM. The plan is to set up all the decorations for VBS on Friday, July 16, from 9:00 AM till we finish.

Our church will be preparing and serving the **Community Meal at the Waupun Area Food Pantry** this Friday from 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM. **Ten salads, 6 desserts, and servers are still needed.** Please sign up on the counter today. Contact Glen Greenfield if you have questions. If you contributed to last week's meal, please pick up your pan/container from the kitchen/.

All VBS volunteers: plan on a VBS meeting next Sunday at 11:00 AM here at First CRC. There should be a notice in your mailbox. If you did not get one, please contact Dominique at 324-2249. If you cannot make the meeting, please let Dominique or Joe know right away.

Reminder: Our annual Congregational meeting will be held at 7:00 PM on Monday, July 19. Nominations for the Office of Elder are: Norm Buwalda, Larry Daane, Jack De Jager, Harold Greenfield, Bill Hoekstra, Phil Hofman, Ken Homan, Steve Homan, Dale Huizenga, Dan Scheuers, Merlin Schouten, and Morris Te Grootenhuis. Nominations for the Office of Deacon are: Dale Andrew, Seth Aylesworth, Brian Bresser, Keith Buwalda, Percy De Vries, Ray Hofman, Ben Homan, Randy Kamphuis, Dan Montsma, Steve Tjepkema, Jon Venhuizen, and Steve Wierenga.

Advance Notice: We will be having a joint **VBS service** with Bethel CRC at CWC's secondary campus on Sunday, July 25, at 9:30 AM. We will be celebrating our great week of VBS. After the service we will be having a **potluck** with both churches and those from the community who have come

to join us. We ask that each family please bring a main dish and a dessert or salad to pass as well as their own table service and drinks. If you have any questions please contact Dominique at 324-2249

Community Happenings



July 5 activities in downtown Friesland: Serving of food and homemade pies begins at 4:00 PM. Master's Voice (more band information on bulletin board) will be performing 6:30-8:00 PM with the Friesland Band Concert at 8:15 PM and fireworks at dusk. Join us in fun and fellowship in an alcohol-free environment.

A Garden Walk to benefit The Bible League International will be held on Tuesday, July 13, from 1 PM til ? at the Country Aire Bed and Breakfast, (Carol DeGroot) N6659 Hwy 26, Rosendale — 1 1/2 miles south of Rosendale. Goodies will be served. Donations to go to The Bible League International.



Michael Kelly Blanchard, an outstanding Christian singer-songwriter, will present a live concert in the First Christian Reformed Church of Oostburg, WI, on Friday, July 23 at 7:00 PM. Enjoy songs that stir the heart and challenge the Christian life. Limited reservations. Please call Michael DuMez at 920-564-2402 for details.



The second annual World Vision Bake sale has been set for August 19 at Bargains Galore. We will once again be needing many baked items to sell in an attempt to surpass last year's earnings. Some special requests for this year's sale include diabetic and gluten-free items as we had many requests for them last year. So, start thinking about what you can donate to this worthy cause. More details will come as the date draws closer.

Labor Day Campers there is one cabin still available and a couple of campsites. Contact Jeff Homan at 324-4930 if interested in attending this annual campout.



Around the World

Faith formation doesn't just happen! The new book **"Shaped by God"** offers faith nurture guidance for church leaders, education committees, parents, and educators. Learn more at www.FaithAliveResources.org or call 1-800-333-8300.

Calendar

Today:	8:45 AM	First Fellowship
	9:30 AM	Morning Worship
	7:00 PM	Evening Worship
Tue:	9:00-11:00 AM	VBS painting
Wed:	6:30-8:00 PM	VBS painting
	7:00 PM	Co-ed Softball @ Edgewood
Fri:	10:00 AM – 3:00 PM	Community Meal @ the Waupun Area Food Pantry
Next Sun:	8:45 AM	First Fellowship

High Seas Adventure VBS

When: July 19-22, 9:00 AM to Noon
Where: 1st CRC
Who: Four year olds through upcoming 5th graders.



We can't do it without your help!

- ✓ **Donate food:** sign up on the VBS table. Please bring all items to church by Sunday, July 11.
- ✓ **Volunteer your time:**
 - sign up to be a Crew Leaders, kitchen helper, nursery worker, etc.
 - help paint the backdrops (see previous announcement)
 - help set-up & decorate on Friday, July 16
- ✓ **Pre-register** online at www.waupuncrc.com/vbs_register.cfm or at the VBS table
- ✓ **Purchase the VBS High Seas Expedition CD.** Just \$4 from Dominique.
- ✓ **Donate items for decorating** (label anything you wish to be returned to you): Rope lights: blue or green, lanterns, wooden crates, trunks, greenery, rope (lots), green and blue plastic table cloths, anchor, white or blue sheets for sails, old string mops, world maps, wooden barrels, large bell, stuffed animals; lobsters, crabs, parrots, spiders, pelicans, dolphins, whales, clear used water bottles with the cap for crafts.

Thanks - Dominique and Joe





Focus on Leadership

A practical hands-on workshop
for elders, deacons, teachers,
Bible Study coordinators,
and Church leaders.

Sunday, August 29, 2010

Speaker Highlight

Ben & Bev Becksvort live in Grand Rapids, MI, where Ben serves as Great Lakes Regional Leader for CRC Home Missions. They have previously served ministries in Minnesota, Ohio and Michigan. Bev is a church musician as well as a trained therapist, doing marriage and family counseling along with work in the area of domestic violence. They have made nearly 50 presentations of the Healthy Congregations material in church classis retreats and in pastor & staff workshops.



Session Highlight

“Becoming...”

- More able to take responsibility for our own feelings (NOT just taking on responsibility for other's feelings)
- More able to guide our feelings by our thinking (NOT just allowing our thinking to be driven by our feelings)
- More able to focus on our own functioning (NOT just paying attention to the poor functioning of others)
- “Healthy in God and robust in love.” [Eph. 4: 16]

“Providing...”

- A more healthy response to challenges, rather than a knee-jerk reaction
- A non-anxious presence in anxious times
- A solid connection with others during conflict
- A healthy embracing of differences
- An awareness of the often-unseen way that emotional processes function **within systems.**

Next Week

Accompanist

AM – Lois Mulder

PM – Laura Ten Pass

Children's Message

Ken Homan

Children & Worship

Teacher: Nancy Vande Berg

Helpers: Den Vande Berg

Lynnae Smits

Fellowship Coffee

Gregg & Kristi Zonnefeld

Greeters

AM – Steve, Heidi, Becca, Breanna,

Lynnae, & Kaytlin Smits

PM – Allen, Lisa, Josie, & Jack Stahmann

Library

Winnnojean Scheuers

Lori Kitchner

Dorothy Schouten

Musical Praise

Tyler Ten Pass

Nursery

AM – Dan & Gladys Montsma

Anna Hofman

PM – Tabbie Vander Werff

Hollie Ten Pass

Offering

AM – Cary Christian Center

PM – Ed Fund

Pastoral Prayer

Ken Homan

Scripture Reader

Jim Groenewold

Sound System

Dan Scheuers

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Jack De Jager

Jordan De Jager

Ray Hofman

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Prayer List



Shut-Ins

Gerald Bossenbroek
Hazel Buwalda
Junice Kamphuis
Millie Kuiper
Bud Navis
Minnie Tobak

Ruby Buteyn
Bea Heideman
Eugene Kikkert
Josie Looman
Wilma Navis

Health

Remember **Don Bronkhorst** who has been diagnosed with cancer. His wife is also not well, one son is terminally ill, and the other son is disabled.

Remember **Brother Bob** as he undergoes testing and treatments.

Uplift **Louie Wierenga's sister, Connie**, who is undergoing chemo treatments.

Pray for relief from pain for **Nancy Wierenga**.

Military

Larry & Trix Daane's grandson, Jeff Daane (NAS Pensacola, FL)

Sam Daane (Beal AFB, CA)

Jack & Marla De Jager's nephew, Jonathan Sturing as he enjoys his time home on furlough

Chaplain Peter Hofman (Fort Bragg, NC)

Marge Vande Streek's grandson, Brian Vande Streek (Afghanistan)

Louie & Nancy Wierenga's grandson, Devin Terry as he enjoys his time home on furlough

Request

Remember **Neen Kocmoud** during Brother Bob's absence.

Pray for a **heart of giving** towards the church budget.

Pray for the joint ministry of radio broadcast, pastoral counseling and follow-up by **Back to God Ministries International and CRC World Missions staff in Haiti**. Staff reports that people seem to be more open to hearing the Gospel. Pray that the Word proclaimed will help bring healing and draw people into relationship with Jesus Christ.

While many people enjoy a time of vacation rest and relaxation, a crew of **new missionaries** are hard at work, preparing for challenging overseas assignments. This week they will undergo intensive orientation. Add a piece of armor to their gear by remembering them in prayer

To add or remove request, please inform Marla.