

9:30 AM Worship

(*Please stand if you are able)

We Gather In Worship

*God Calls Us to Worship

*Opening Song of Praise: Teen Praise

"Where Justice Rolls Down"

Children's Message: Teen Drama

"Amazing Grace (My Chains are Gone)"

(Children ages 3 years through 4th grade may come forward.)

*God's Greeting and We Greet One Another

We Are Renewed in God's Grace

Affirmation of Faith: "Our hope in daily life" (in unison)

As citizens we acknowledge the Spirit's work in human government for the welfare of the people, for justice among the poor, for mercy toward the prisoner, against inhuman oppression of humanity.

We must obey God above all rulers, waiting upon the Spirit, filled with the patience of Christ.

We pray for the fruits of the Spirit of Christ who works for peace on earth, commands us to love our enemies, and calls for patience among the nations.

We give thanks for God's work among governments, seeking to resolve disputes by means other than war, placing human kindness

Accompanist

Brenda Hofman

Children & Worship

Teacher: Tabbie Vander Werff Helpers: Zach Vander Werff

Breanna Smits

Fellowship Coffee

Kevin & Andrea Buwalda

Greeters

Grant Kamphuis Austin Montsma

Nursery

Steve & Melissa Wierenga Trevor Zonnefeld

Sound System

Pete Vander Werff

Transportation

Paul Vande Kolk (324-8981) Louie Wierenga (324-3683)

Ushers

Norm Buwalda Jim Groenewold Gene Hofman Austin Huizenga

Video Projection

Lois Mulder

Missionary Letters

Randall G. Daryl Pfantz⁺ Trayton G. to Brother Bob Jim G. to Chaplain Peter

*Please pray especially for this missionary family this week.

above national pride, replacing the curse of war with international self-control.

We hear the Spirit's call to love one another opposing discrimination of race or sex, inviting us to accept one another, and to share at every level in work and play, in church and state, in marriage and family, and so fulfill the love of Christ.

As male and female, we look to the Spirit, who makes us the stewards of life to plan its beginning, to love in its living, and to care in its dying.

God makes us the stewards of marriage with its lifelong commitment to love; yet God knows our frailty of heart.

The Spirit leads us into truth—the truth of Christ's salvation, into increasing knowledge of all existence.

The Spirit rejoices in human awareness of God's creation and gives freedom to those on the frontiers of research.

We are overwhelmed by the growth in our knowledge.

While our truths come in broken fragments, we expect the Spirit to unite these in Christ.

Congregational Prayer

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

God Speaks through His Word

*Scripture: Isaiah 58:6-8 Prayer for Illumination

Sermon: "A Show of Hands"

Prayer of Application: "Show of Hands" (responsively)

God of all nations, we join our voices with those all around the world who long for justice and equality for all the earth. Empower us to use our voices.

Give us the words, O God, to speak for those who cannot speak.

Goal 1: Eradicate Extreme Poverty and Hunger

We pray for the eradication of extreme poverty,

For those people living on less than \$1 a day,

For those people who are chronically hungry,

For people created in the image of God, whose poverty has robbed them of their dignity,

Empower us to use our voices,

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Goal 2: Achieve Universal Primary Education

We pray for universal primary education,

For girls, for minority children, children in rural areas, children with disabilities.

For those who families cannot afford school fees or uniforms, who must work instead of attend school.

For all school-aged children without access to schools

Empower us to use our voices,

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Goal 3: Promote Gender Equality and Empower Women

We pray for gender equality and women's empowerment,

For women who live in poverty because girls are not given an education,

For women who do the same job as men, but are paid less,

For women who have no representation in government, and have no women in positions of power to emulate,

For women who are fearful in their communities or in their own homes, Empower us to use our voices,

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Goal 4: Reduce Child Mortality

We pray for children who die before their fifth birthday,

For sick children who live in parts of the world where preventable diseases like diarrhea, malaria, and measles go untreated,

For weak children whose immune systems reflect the chronic hunger they were born into,

Empower us to use our voices,

Give us the words, O God, to speak for those who cannot speak.

Goal 5: Improve Maternal Health

We pray for improved maternal health,

For the mother who dies each minute from complications during pregnancy, childbirth, or after delivery,

For midwives, skilled birth attendants, doctors, and nurses who assist women in giving birth,

And for children and husbands left alone in the wake of these preventable deaths.

Empower us to use our voices,

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Goal 6: Combat HIV/AIDS, Malaria, and Other Diseases

We pray for the ability to combat HIV/AIDS, malaria, and other diseases For those who wait for the miracle of Anti-Retro Viral drugs to treat HIV, For those whose communities are ravaged by preventable diseases like malaria, which was eradicated in North America but continues to take lives in poorer countries,

For pharmaceutical research to find cures and treatments, and the availability of drugs to the poorest and most vulnerable, Empower us to use our voices,

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Goal 7: Ensure Environmental Sustainability

We pray for environmental sustainability,

For the 1 billion people who lack access to clean water and basic sanitation

For the loss of diversity of species and unchecked damage to

ecosystems

For the world you created, you sustain, and you love, O God Empower us to use our voices,

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Goal 8: Develop a Global Partnership for Development

We pray for a global partnership for development.

For financial systems that are fair, that treat people with dignity, and that do not prey on the vulnerable,

For developing countries struggling under the weight of crippling debt, developed countries, and the men, women, and children who live there, For companies developing medicines, technologies, information and communications which could change the lives of the poor, Empower us to use our voices,

Give us the words, O God, to speak for those who cannot speak.

Closing Dialogue

Give us the words, O God, to speak for those who cannot speak.

Empower us to use our voices.

Guide us, lead us, and enliven us

As we seek to be your hands and feet – participants in your coming kingdom.

In Christ's name we pray,

Amen

We Respond to God's Word

*Song of Response: "We've a Story to Tell to the Nations" R446
Offertory and Our Offerings: Denominational Ministry Shares

We Leave to Serve God

*God's Parting Blessing

*Doxology: "Jesu, Jesu" G601 vv.2-3

*Postlude

7:00 PM Worship

(*Please stand if you are able)

Prelude

Call to Worship

*God's Greeting

Songs of Praise led by Toni Hofman

Prayers of the People led by Ken Homan

Offering for the Education Fund

*We Study God's Word: Jonah 4

*Song of Response: "I Know Not Why God's Wondrous Grace" G495

*Affirmation of Our Faith (responsively)

What do you believe about the work of God?

We believe that God—who is perfectly merciful and also very just—sent his Son to assume the nature in which the disobedience had been committed, in order to bear in it the punishment of sin by his most bitter passion and death.

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And what do you believe about the work of Jesus Christ?

We believe that Jesus Christ presented himself in our name before his Father, to appease his wrath with full satisfaction by offering himself on the tree of the cross and pouring out his precious blood for the cleansing of our sins, as the prophets had predicted.

Why did he endure all this?

He endured all this for the forgiveness of our sins.

What comfort does this give you?

We find all comforts in his wounds and have no need to seek or invent any other means to reconcile ourselves with God than this one and only sacrifice, once made, which renders believers perfect forever.

*Benediction

*Doxology: "We Are an Offering" R678

*Postlude

Welcome

We welcome our visitors and hope that you enjoy worshiping 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 songs and responsive readings will be displayed on the video screens, but feel free to use the hymnals if you wish. The Celebration Hymnals (R) are located under the pew in front of you.

Large-print bulletins and children's bulletins are available from an usher or the back sanctuary rack. Please feel free to check one of the "Visitor" mail slots in the narthex for additional materials.

Worship Notes

This morning's offering is for the **Denominational Ministry Shares**—supports national and worldwide ministries as designated by Synod. This fund currently supports Back to God Ministries International, Calvin College, Calvin Theological Seminary, Faith Alive Resources, Christian Reformed Home Missions, Christian Reformed World Missions, Specialized Ministries, Denominational Services, The Network, and Special Assistance.

This evening's offering is for the **Education Fund**—to pay for Christian Education at CWC for the children of the congregation.

Verse of the Week: Isaiah 58:6 "Is not this the kind of fasting I have chosen: to loose the chains of injustice and untie the cords of the yoke, to set the oppressed free and break every yoke?"

Our Family

Please remember the **Wiebe Buwalda and Sylvia Montsma families** in your thoughts, prayers, and actions as they struggle with their loss. May God continue to surround them with love and fill them with strength and peace.

See your mail slot for messages from **Brother Bob** and the **Pfantzes**.

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

Anniversary Glen & Sandy Greenfield	5	Den & Nancy Vande Berg	11
<u>Birthday</u>			
Kailee Hofman	5	Katie De Jager	10
Wilma Navis	6	Jean Jansen	10
Luke Jansen	8	Alex Schaver	11

A Word of Thanks

"Thank you to Pastor Craig and the congregation for the many condolences expressed during this past week." - Dick & Barb Heeringa and Peter Montsma

"I am slowly improving and wish to thank everyone for your prayers and words of encouragement. Thank God for His healing hand." - Sandy Greenfield

Church News

Have you been thinking about profession of faith? Would you like to stand with the rest of the congregation and say that God is the Lord of your life? Then talk to Pastor Craig so we can start a new profession of faith class.

The Worship Committee will meet this Tuesday, 4:00 PM, at CWC.

SWAT Valentine's Day Event is this Wednesday at 5:30 PM. Pizza will be provided. Please let Becky or Bonnie know if you can make it or not.

Vision Implementation Committee will meet this Thursday at 5:30 PM. Please review the Vision Plan. If you need another copy of it let Pastor Craig know. A meal will be provided.

The February **MOPS** meeting is this Thursday, 6:30-8:30 PM, at Bethel CRC. This month's topic is marriage and our speaker is Mike Giebink, Associate Pastor at Edgewood Community Church in Waupun. Please join us! For more information, contact Jamie Fikkert at 324-2008.

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 lois.mulder@att.net or placed in her mail slot by Sunday, February 19.

Lent begins on February 22. Our services for Lent will be following the famous book *Pilgrim's Progress* by John Bunyan. Written in 1678 during Bunyan's second imprisonment for "holding unlawful assemblies and not conforming to the national worship of the Church of England," the book depicts in allegorical language Bunyan's dream about the journey of Christian from the City of Destruction to the Celestial City. Along the way, Christian and other traveling companions experience both the hardships and joys that are part of the Christian life: forgiveness, temptation, doubt, persecution, and spiritual battles. You are all invited to read that book in preparation for our services as we walk the same road that John Bunyan did so many years ago.

Save the Date: Waupun MOPS is hosting professional Christian speaker and image consultant Jill Tallents on Thursday, March 8 at 6:30 PM here at First CRC (please note the change of location). Jill will be speaking on the topic of *Fashion Forward Faith: Transforming Moms through Jeans and Jesus.* This event is FREE (a free-will offering will be taken) and open to the public—women of all ages and life-stages are encouraged to attend so please invite your female family, friends and neighbors for a fun and encouraging night topped off by a dessert social.

Any ladies interested in attending the **Hearts at Home Conference** March 16-17 in Normal, IL along with a group from Bethel CRC are asked to please contact Jamie Fikkert at sixfikkerts@att.net or 324-2008. Cost and travel arrangements to be determined.

Advance Notice: Camp Calvin will be held June 18-23, 2012. Please mark your calendars now to reserve these dates.

Community Happenings

A Community Day of Prayer will be held Friday, March 2, 1:00 PM at the United Methodist Church in Waupun. Pastor J. D. McCarty will be the speaker. Please plan on attending for a time of prayer and fellowship.

Change is a fact of life! That means it may be time to update your estate plan. Your plan should reflect your current family and financial circumstances. Don Long, a Christian attorney from Barnabas Foundation, will come alongside you to help review your current plan. This confidential estate planning review is available to you at no charge and with no obligation. Don will be meeting with Christian families in our area during the week of February 13-16. Call Barnabas Foundation toll-free at 888-448-3040 to schedule a conversation with Don.

The Union/High School Campus Life kids are hosting the 2nd annual **Valentine's Spaghetti Dinner** on Monday, February 13 at 5:00-7:30 PM. Enjoy a special dinner with the ones you love and be served by the kids in the Campus Life program at The Union. Cost is a free-will gift and all donations will go to the students for trips or other activities Youth for Christ provides.

Singing Valentines to Benefit Youth for Christ: A local barbershop quartet will deliver Singing Valentines on Monday, February 14.Recipients will be serenaded with two songs, and will be given a rose and small box of chocolates. The quartet will arrive unannounced and search for the person at his or her office, home, classroom, restaurant or any place in the Fond du Lac or Waupun areas. All proceeds will benefit Youth for Christ/Campus Life. The cost of a Singing Valentine is \$40. To reserve your valentine greeting, sign up online at www.fdlyfc.org or call the YFC office by Monday morning, February 13, at 923-1416.

Join the **Randolph Community Choir** for this year's Easter Cantata, "Alone on the Altar." Rehearsals begin on Sunday, February 19, 5:30 PM,

at the First Reformed Church in Randolph. If you have any questions, call Chris Geleynse at 326-3691

Brrr... It's cold out! Come warm up at Trinity Reformed's **Pork Chop Supper** February 25 to raise funds for this year's mission trip to Mt. Vernon, KY (March 19-25). Tickets in advance are \$9 per person and the meal includes a pork chop, baked potato, corn, applesauce, roll, and dessert. Tickets are available by calling Trinity Reformed Church (324-2400) or Jim Nummerdor (324-3264).

Around the World

Sign up for **Faith Alive News** and get free email updates from Faith Alive Christian Resources about ministry tools that can help you as you live and serve. If you sign up by February 9 you'll be entered to win a Kindle Fire and other Faith Alive product! Sign up today at FaithAliveResources.org/FANews or Facebook.com/FaithAlive - or call us at 1-800-333-8300.

Ministry Webinar: The Network - Your Ministry Connection on February 8. The Network is an online destination where you can connect with other CRC members who serve in their local churches. The Network is built on the idea that often the best help comes from people who are doing similar work and have struggled with similar questions. Discover all the resources and connections The Network has to offer. Presented by Jonathan Wilson the Community and Content Manager for The Network. Register at www.crcna.org/webinars

Summer Academy at Calvin: It's never too early to start exploring college! Calvin College offers the opportunities for current high school students to experience college life firsthand AND earn college credit through Calvin's Summer Academy. Students live on campus, take a college course, meet new friends, gain college readiness skills, and will even earn a grant toward Calvin tuition. For more information, and to apply, go to www.calvin.edu/go/summeracademy. Apply by March 15 to be considered for this selective program!

Summer Hope Equals Team to Israel and the West Bank: Join a team of young adults from June 11 to July 13 to learn about peace and reconciliation in Israel and the West Bank. Contact Mariano Avila at mavila@crcna.org for more details.

CRWRC Name Change Discussion: For 50 years, CRWRC has been responding on your behalf to situations of poverty, disaster, and injustice around the world. Thank you for your devoted support. As we look forward to the future, CRWRC is considering changing its name to better communicate who we are and what we do. This is not something that we undertake lightly. We want to make sure our new name continues to reflect you and the ministry you want to do through us. To weigh in on the proposed new name, logo, tagline, and color options, please visit

www.crwrc.org/proposedname. If you would prefer to talk to someone over the phone, please call 1-800-552-7972.

<u>Calendar</u>

Today: 8:15 AM 11th/12th Catechism

8:45 AM First Fellowship 9:30 AM Morning Worship

10:45 AM 4K-10th Sunday School & Catechism

7:00 PM Evening Worship

Mon: 6:30 PM DivorceCare @ the Pizza Ranch
Tue: 4:00 PM Worship Committee @ CWC

Wed: 5:30 PM SWaT

7:00 PM Youth Group hangout @ Jon & Kim's

Lunch: Lucas Vander Berg

Thu: 5:30 PM Vision Implementation Committee

6:30 PM MOPS @ Bethel CRC

Next Sun: 8:15 AM 11th/12th Catechism 8:45 AM First Fellowship

Next Week

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Lois Mulder

Children's Message

Pastor Craig

Children & Worship

Teacher: DVH

Helpers: Adam Venhuizen

Jordan De Jager

Fellowship Coffee

Steve & Heidi Smits

Greeters

AM – Charlie, Lori & Brandon Kitchner

PM - Howard & Pat Loomans

Library

Winnojean Scheuers

Lori Kitchner

Dorothy Schouten

Musical Praise

Ben Homan

Nursery

AM – Keith & Laura Venhuizen Whitney Wierenga

PM - DVH

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Offering

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Prayer List

Shut-Ins

Gerald Bossenbroek Bea Heideman Junice Kamphuis Eugene Kikkert Millie Kuiper Josie Looman Wilma Navis Liz Van Zanen

Health

Tim & Sarah Aalsma as Sarah recovers emotionally from a stroke and undergoes radiation therapy.

Allegra Bossenbroek's sister, Helen, as her knee replacement surgery has been rescheduled for this week.

Gerald Bossenbroek as he struggles with his health.

Joyce Haan as she recovers from back pain and a concussion after a fall.

Toni Hofman's friend, Blaine, who is struggling with drug addiction.

Harry Homan as he doctors for back pain.

Strength for **Brother Bob, Neen, and Angel** as they continue the Philippines ministries even as Brother Bob's health declines.

Liz Van Zanen as she struggles with back pain.

Those recovering from surgery: Randall Greenfield, Lois Pausma and Laura Ten Pass

Those undergoing cancer treatment: Larry Daane; Brenda Kamphuis; Dave Katsma; Dewey & Lois Pausma's friend, Doris; Lisa Rens; Mike & Bonnie Vander Berg's sister-in-law; Louie Wierenga's sister, Connie; Gregg Zonnefeld's uncle, Pastor Jim Hoogeveen; and Gregg & Kristi Zonnefeld's friend, Janna.

Military

Larry & Trix Daane's grandson, Jeff Daane (Navy aircraft carrier)

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

Pastor Norman & Joyce Haan's grandson, Scott Voss (Pensacola, FL)

Chaplain Peter Hofman and his commander William Linn (Afghanistan)

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

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

Praise

God's healing hand on Sandy Greenfield.

Requests

Healing for those who are experiencing hurt in their lives.

Restoration of broken relationships.

The Wiebe Buwalda and Sylvia Montsma families as they mourn their loss.

Holiness of the church.

Church Vision Statement

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's Office Hours: Tue. & Thu. 10 AM – 3 PM Bulletin Announcement Deadline: Thu, 12:00 Noon