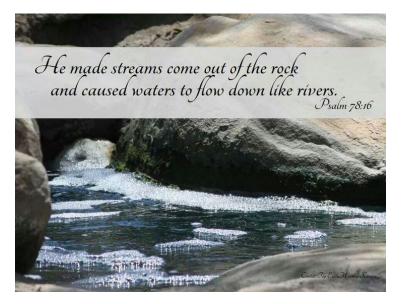
# Welcome to

**First Christian Reformed Church** 



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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. You will find a visitor card in your pew, please fill one out and place it in the offering bag. 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).

Large-print bulletins and children's bulletins are available from an usher or the back sanctuary rack.

You can tune in to AM 1170 every Sunday morning at 8:30 to hear last week's sermon. You are also able to listen to sermons from our website as well as view the bulletin. Website address is www.waupuncrc.com

Church Office Hours Tuesday from 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM Thursday from 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM All announcements due in the office by 9:00 AM Thursday Phone: 920-324-2898 email: waupuncrc@gmail.com

#### 9:30 AM Worship Service (\*Please stand if you are able)

#### We Gather In Worship Prelude

# \*Call to Worship

#### \*Opening:

You are Worthy of My Praise Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing – R11 vs 1-3

# \*God's Greeting and We Greet One Another

# We Are Renewed in God's Grace

#### **Repentance and Forgiveness**

Be mindful of your mercy, O LORD, and of your steadfast love, for they have been from of old. Do not remember the sins of my youth or my transgressions; according to your steadfast love remember me, for your Goodness' sake, O LORD! Good and upright is the LORD; therefore he instructs sinners in the way. For your name's sake, O LORD, pardon my guilt, for it is great. Turn to me and be gracious to me, for I am lonely and afflicted. Relieve the troubles of my heart, and bring me out of my distress. Consider my affliction and my trouble, and forgive all my sins.

**Song:** Lord Speak to Me That I May Speak – G528 vs 1-4

# **Congregational Prayer**

Offertory and Our Offerings: Faith Promise Accompanist Cara Aylesworth

Children & Worship Leader: Dominique Van Hill Helpers: Gretchen Hoekstra Lynnae Smits

Fellowship Coffee Mike & Bonnie Vander Berg

**Greeters** Keith, Laura, Josie, Harm, Arent & Neil Venhuizen

#### Nursery

Eric & Stacy Schaver Josie Venhuizen

Sound System Eric Homan

**Transportation** Percy De Vries (324-4678) Glen Greenfield (346-5152)

Ushers Ray Hofman Al Holden Don Pausma Dave Rens

Video Projection LeAnne Holden

Missionary Letters Dan R. to Daryl Pfantz Greg R. to Neen Ryan R. to Chaplain Peter+

<sup>+</sup>*Please pray especially for this missionary family this week* 

# Children are dismissed for Walk Out Worship

# God Speaks through His Word

Scripture: Psalm 78

Sermon: Rebellion, Anger, & Mercy

# We Respond to God's Word

Song of Response: Before the Throne of God Above

# We Leave to Serve God

\*God's Parting Blessing

\*Doxology: Lord of the Universe

# \*Postlude

## 6:00 PM Evening Hymn Sing (\*Please stand if you are able)

Prelude

Call to Worship

\*God's Greeting

**Opening Songs (2)** – Congregation Choice

Special Music: Norm & Shirley Jansma

Songs (3) – Congregation Choice

Prayers of the People led by Gregg Zonnefeld

Songs (3) – Congregation Choice

Litany: Love the Lord, Your God - R810

\*Closing – Ken Homan

\*Closing Song: God the Father of Your People - G322 vs 2

\*Postlude

Evening Offering for August is for Elim

# Worship Notes

**Tonight** Bethel will join with us for a hymn sing. Come ready to sing your hearts out to God.

Accompanist Cara Aylesworth Sound System Eric Homan

Transportation Percy De Vries (324-4678) Glen Greenfield (346-5152)

Video Projection LeAnne Holden **Next Sunday morning** we begin a series entitled "Sinners Anonymous". Up until Advent we will walk through the twelve steps of AA and find that if we follow them we will be more Christ-like. We like to think that we are in control but the truth is that we are in control of so little. When it comes to sin we like to think that we can stop if we just have more will-power but that is a lie that we taught ourselves to believe. The first step to a holy life is to admit that we are powerless. Only then can we shed the lie and get the help that we need.

**Next Sunday evening** we will worship at Bethel CRC at 7:00pm for our Labor Day service.

**Verses of the Week:** 17 But they continued to sin against him, rebelling in the desert against the Most High. 21 When the Lord heard them he was very angry; his fire broke out against Jacob, and his wrath rose against Israel. 23 Yet he gave a command to the skies above and opened the doors of the heavens. Psalm 78:17, 21, & 23

#### This week be in prayer for:

- Parents
- Candidates for president of U.S.
- New Hope in Wisconsin Rapids

#### Give thanks to God for:

- Strength for each new day
- The work of missionaries
- Our neighbors

#### Last Week's Offerings

Local Budget \$3,515.00 Denominational Ministry Shares \$2,129.25

#### Our Family

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

Birthdays:	<u>September</u>		<u>September</u>
John Bronkhorst	3	Nina Te Beest	4
Karen Venhuizen	4	Laura Venhuizen	4
Kaytlin Smits	4	Bea Te Grootenhui	is 5

**Laura Ten Pass** has just one more chemo treatment left. Pray that she will finish strong and that the results will show God's power and blessing.

Meals continue to be needed for Brian and Laura Ten Pass as Laura continues to receive chemo treatments. Please sign up on the meal train

website www.mealtrain.com/trains/15mq25 or contact Gardie Ten Pas (324-3315) or Jan De Vries (324-4678).

New address for Gretchen & Heather Hoekstra: 735 Wilcox St., Waupun

#### Church News

**Today is the Focus on Leadership Conference** put on by Classis Wisconsin. Join with us at Brookfield CRC and grow in your faith and leadership. There are extra brochures in the back of church. If you would like to carpool come to church at noon.

Christian Fellowship will meet on Thursday, September 3 at 6:30 PM at church.

Information on the Church-wide Bible Study was handed out last week. Please remember to place your sheets in the return slot in back of church. If you did not get a sheet, you can get one from the shelf in the narthex. These are due TODAY.

You won't want to miss an amazing retreat featuring Gracia Burnaham at the Trinity Reformed Church in Waupun, WI on September 22. Everyone, any age, will enjoy the encouragement Gracia will give as she shares her journey of trials and tribulation through the Filipino jungle. At the retreat, hosted by Bible League International Volunteers, there will be an offering to provide Bibles to South America. You won't want to miss hearing Gracia Burnham retell her riveting story of forgiveness after being held hostage for over a year. The deadline is in two days, September 1, so act now! Please see a brochure/poster for costs and more details or talk to Phyllis Hofman (324-5234), Margaret Miedema (324-4883), or Arlene De Jager (344-1674).

**OH4F** would like to ask for your prayers as we anticipate the start of another school year with nearly 200 children already registered. That is double the number of students that we had last school year! God does wonderful things....please pray that we have enough funds to continue with the feeding program that has been instituted for the community children, also that we are able to accommodate more children as the need arises. As our numbers rise the need for sponsorship also grows, **please prayerfully consider becoming a sponsor.** You can sign up at www.oh4f.org/donations

**First Place 4 Health is starting a new season.** A New You is possible with the support of First Place 4 Health, a Christ-centered weight loss group which focuses on emotional, mental, physical and spiritual wellness. This session's Bible Study will be <u>A Thankful Heart</u>. Please come and share spiritual growth and physical wellness with us. There will be 4 meeting times at 2 different churches to make it convenient for everyone. Orientation will be on: **Sept 14<sup>th</sup> at 6 PM & Sept 15<sup>th</sup> at 9 AM** at First Christian Reformed

Church (20 Bly St. Waupun). **Sept 15<sup>th</sup> at 1:15 PM & 5:15 PM** at Immanuel Lutheran Church (525 W Main St, Waupun) Orientation will give you a chance to learn more about the program and determine if you'd like to join us. The Bible Study will start the following week. The session is 12 weeks long. Any questions? Call Toni at 920-960-2748 or Ann at 920-210-9006. Meetings are handicap accessible, and the public is welcome.

**Save the Date – Harvest Auction 2015:** Mark your calendars for the Italian-themed CWC Auction *Bella Notte,* to be held on Saturday, September 19<sup>th</sup>. Find out more details, register to attend, and watch the list grow at cwcauction.com.

# <u>Calendar</u>

Today:	8:45 AM	First Fellowship
-	9:30 AM	Morning Worship
	6:00 PM	Combined Evening Hymn Sing @ 1 <sup>st</sup>
		CRC
Tuesday:	8:00 AM	Prayer Meeting
Wednesday:	6:30 PM	Bible Study leaders training
•	7:00 PM	Education Team Meeting
Thursday:	6:30 PM	Christian Fellowship @ 1 <sup>st</sup> CRC
Next Sunday:	8:45 AM	First Fellowship
•	9:30 AM	Morning Worship
	7:00 PM	Combined Evening Worship @ Bethel
		CRC
		Offering

# Next Week

Accompanist Lois Mulder

#### **Children & Worship**

Leader: Dominique Van Hill Helpers: Parker Van Hill Megan Greenfield

#### **Fellowship Coffee**

Jim & Lois Groenewold

#### Greeters

AM – Randy & Janet Ver Hage

#### Nursery

Bonnie Vander Berg Andrea Buwalda Reegan Aylesworth Offering Building Fund September Evening Offering: Parent Life with Youth for

Christ

#### Sound System

Seth Aylesworth

#### Transportation

Jim Groenewold (520-0055) Arky Navis (324-2859)

#### Ushers

Keith Buwalda Ben Mulder Noah Mulder Adam Venhuizen

Video Projection

Travis Mulder

# Prayer List

<u>Shut-Ins:</u> Elaine Greenfield Joyce Haan Lee Heideman Winnie Kuiper Wilma Navis Alice Redeker

## <u>Health</u>

Those struggling with addiction and their families.

Charlie Kitchner's dad as he continues to recover.

Those with cancer and those undergoing cancer treatments and their families: Carlie Jansen, Laura Ten Pass, Alice Redeker, Neen and Jessie Veleke.

#### **Military**

Joyce Haan's grandson, Scott Voss (Whidbey Island, WA) Chaplain Peter Hofman (Fort Jackson, SC) Austin Montsma (Osan AFB, South Korea) Louie & Nancy Wierenga's grandson, Devin Terry (Bahrain)

# <u>Requests</u>

Remember **Neen & Angel** as they continue Brother Bob's Ministry. **Pray for** LOVE, patience, understanding and forgiveness in all our relationships.

Pray for our country

Group	Elder	Deacon
1	Ken Homan	Kevin Buwalda
2	Denny Vande Berg	
3	Jim Groenewold	
4	Scott Ritzema	Dan Montsma
5	Brian Bresser	Joe Durant
6	Mike Vander Berg	Brad Schouten
7	Gregg Zonnefeld	Dave Venhuizen
8	Pete Vander Werff	Charlie Kitchner



# **Bug Baits Bug**



But they that will be rich fall into temptation and a snare, and [into] many foolish and hurtful lusts, which drown men in destruction and perdition. – 1 Timothy 6:9

All of us are familiar with using bait to lure prey. Both live and artificial bait are used to catch fish.

Stores lure shoppers with sale prices. The use of both bait and camouflage is an even more sophisticated activity. The duck hunter not only hides in a blind, disguised to look like the natural surroundings, but he sets decoys around him to make it look as if the area is safe for ducks.

The juvenile assassin bug is just as sophisticated as the duck hunter. Assassin bugs are very fond of termites. A juvenile assassin bug will glue bits of the termites' nest to its body until it is nearly invisible against the nest. The bug will then patiently wait for a termite to wander too close. The first termite caught is drained by the assassin bug, and then its body is dangled in front of an opening in the nest.

When a nest mate dies, termites usually save the body as a protein source in their protein-poor diet. As a termite grabs for the body of its nest mate, the assassin bug pulls the body back. The termite is lured further out of the nest until it is grabbed for lunch. The second termite is then used as bait.

The juvenile assassin bug is every bit as clever about its hunting as the human duck hunter. In its own way, it proves that intelligence did not evolve; it is a gift of our all-wise Creator.

Ref: "Bugs that Use Bait." Science 83. P. 6. Photo: Courtesy of Fernando Luna. (CC-BY-SA 3.0)

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