

4/16/2017

*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](http://www.waupuncrc.com) or contact Pastor Craig (920-539-3848) 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](http://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: [wauuncrc@gmail.com](mailto:waupuncrc@gmail.com)**

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

**We Gather In Worship**

**Prelude – Band**

**Special Music –**

Then Came the Morning – Craig Slings

**\*Call to Worship**

**\*Opening:** Christ the Lord is Risen Today –  
R367 vs 1-4

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

**Scripture –** Romans 6:1-11

**Testimony –** Scott

**Song:** Christ Arose – R357 vs 1-3

**Scripture –** Philippians 3:1-11

**Testimony –** Charlie

**Song:** The Strife is O'er, the Battle IDone

**Easter Prayer**

**Offertory and Our Offerings:** Local Budget

**Children are dismissed for Walk Out  
Worship**

**God Speaks through His Word**

**\*Scripture:** 1 Peter 1:3, Luke 24:1-11

**Sermon:** Alive in Christ

**We Respond to God's Word**

**\*Song of Response:** He's Alive – Craig  
Slings

**We Leave to Serve God**

**\*God's Parting Blessing**

**Closing Song:** He Lives – R368 vs 1 & 3

**Walk-Up Choir:** Hallelujah Chorus

**\*Postlude**

**Accompanist**

Lois Mulder

**Children & Worship**

**Leader:** Pat Jonker

**Helpers:** Harm Venhuizen  
Marissa Jansma

**Fellowship Coffee**

Gregg & Kristi Zonnefeld

**Greeters**

Troy Aalsma, Taylor  
Sweetman and Lenette

**Nursery**

Jon & Jenna Mulder  
Kim Venhuizen  
Miranda Vander Berg

**Sound System**

Eric Homan

**Transportation**

Jim Groenewold (520-0055)  
Louie Wierenga (324-3683)

**Ushers**

Gene Hofman  
Brandon Kitchner  
Dan Montsma  
Harm Venhuizen

**Video Projection**

Randall Greenfield

**Missionary Letters**

Noah M. to Daryl Pfantz  
Travis M. to Neen+  
Carol N. to Chaplain Peter

*\*Please pray especially for  
this missionary family this  
week*

## Worship Notes

**This morning** is one of the most celebrated days in the Christian calendar as we shout "Hallelujah!" and "He is risen!". Raise your voice in praise to our Savior who died and rose from the grave. Christ has died. Christ is risen! Christ will come again!

**Tonight, we will worship at Bethel starting at 7:00pm** as we hear the Randolph Community Choir sharing the message "Mercy Came Running".

**Next Sunday** we begin looking at who we are to be. First we see that we are to be content with what we have. Content is not a word that describes most of us. We have listened to advertisements, friends, and celebrities all telling us that we need more, and so we live with restless spirits, hoping that the next thing will satisfy us. But Paul tells us that he has learned to be content whatever the circumstances. The only way that we can be content is by realizing what is important. Our peace comes from God, so why don't we spend more time focusing on Him?

**Next Sunday evening** we will have a special service in which the community is invited. Robert Brock from Voice of the Martyrs will share with us stories of Christians who are persecuted from around the world. One of the most powerful messages he will share with us is about forgiveness and what we can learn from our persecuted family, including how we can remember them in prayer as well as practical aid and relief.

**"There will be a "walk-up choir" singing the Hallelujah Chorus at the end of the service. Anyone who wishes to sing along is invited to come up front at the end of the service when prompted. Heart for worship needed, talent optional."**

**Verse of the Week:** Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead. 1 Peter 1:3

### Upcoming Special Service

April 16	9:30 AM	Easter Sunday
April 16	7:00 PM	Combined Service @ Bethel CRC Easter Cantata presented by Randolph Community Choir
April 23	6:00 PM	Voice of the Martyrs speaker Robert Brock @ 1 <sup>st</sup> CRC
April 30	9:30 AM	GEMS Sunday

## Last Week's Offerings

Local Budget	\$6,425.00
Mission Backpack	\$ 100.00

All loose offering will go toward Local Budget

**If you are making a donation to the maintenance and remodeling project**, please label the envelope or check Capital Improvements. This will help the deacons. Thank you!

**April cause: Mission Backpack:** Mission Backpack is an organization that hands out backpacks with food to help students eat on the weekend when they don't have access to school food. They receive healthy snacks, cereal and other items.

## Our Family

### Birthdays

	<u>April</u>		<u>April</u>
Kaytlin Bronkhorst	16	Pat Jonker	16
Laura Ten Pass	16	Denny Vande Berg	17
Dan Montsma	20	Dave Rens	22

### Anniversaries

	<u>April</u>
Greg & Kim Root	17

**Winnie Kuiper will be turning 99 years old on April 24**, we would like to encourage you to send cards to Winnie to commemorate this milestone.

Winnie Kuiper  
Prairie Ridge Living Center  
819 Wilcox St.  
Room 8  
Waupun, WI 53963

**Thank you** for the many cards and well wishes on my birthday. God is good all the time! **Pete Montsma**

**A big thank you** to the Council for being great sports (and gracious winners!) at our Youth Group vs. Council volleyball fundraiser on Wednesday. **And thank you everyone that came** out to cheer and have a good time. We appreciate all your support! Maybe the Council will be up for a rematch next year? - **Youth Group and Leaders**

**As you pray this week please remember these people in your prayers:**



- **Pat Loomans** who is recovering from a serious case of pneumonia. She is home and every day her situation improves.

- **Jeanette Tjepkema** is at the Christian Home going through rehab while she gains her strength back.

If at any time you would like your name added to or taken off of the prayer list, please contact Gladys.

## **Church News**

**Mens Bible Studies:** Wednesday **Evening Group** will meet on **Wed, April 19**. This will be the last study for this group.

### **The Voice of the Martyrs is coming to Waupun!**

We will be hosting Robert Brock, a national speaker with The Voice of the Martyrs for over 23 years. He will be leading a special service here on Sunday, April 23 at 6 PM. Stories of Christian persecution have been prominently featured in the news recently. When we see our brothers and sisters suffering, we wonder what we can do to help. Robert has traveled to dozens of countries around the world and has shared in nearly 2,000 churches and venues reaching thousands with the message of our persecuted family. He is an excellent communicator bringing to life the faith and courage of our persecuted brethren. Through video, photos and Robert's firsthand accounts, his presentation has informed, challenged, and inspired many to renew their walk with the Lord.

There are some books and literature in regard to Voice of the Martyrs on the table in the narthex, please feel free to pick one up.



**Blood Drive:** Did you know one pint of blood can save three lives? Central Wisconsin Christian is hosting a blood drive on April 26. The blood drive takes place at 10:00am- 4:00pm at Central Wisconsin Christian. Come help the anatomy class raise 80 pints of blood for the American Red Cross. Contact Dan Ten Napel at [dtennapel@centralwisconsinchristian.org](mailto:dtennapel@centralwisconsinchristian.org) or call the office at 324-4233. Please consider donating! Thank you.

**Calling all Seniors** – looking for a great night of fun, food, and fellowship provided by some great middle school kids? Come join us on **Wednesday, April 26 (5:30-7:30 p.m.)** at CWC commons area for a light supper and Bunco. Hope to see you there! Please sign-up by April 23 in the narthex area. Any questions – please contact Katie DeJager @ 979.8363.

**Mark your calendars for April 20!** A 2-for-1 night of comedy is coming your way. First, beginning at 6:30, the 8th grade class will be presenting their play, 'The Great American Talent Show'. It will be followed with the high school Improv troupe presenting their annual show at 7:30. No tickets needed- donations will be appreciated to cover costs for the production. We'd love to see you there!

The **Annual Meeting** for constituents and supporters of Central Wisconsin Christian School will be held on Tuesday, April 25<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM. The agenda will consist of the election of new Board members, approval of the budget and tuition schedule for 2017.18, and reports by committees and administrators. Materials are available on our website at [centralwisconsinchristian.org](http://centralwisconsinchristian.org). Parents In Action will have their spring business meeting prior to the meeting at 6:00 PM.

All grandparents and special friends of Central Wisconsin Christian are invited to join us for our special **Grandparents' Day Celebration** on Friday, April 28<sup>th</sup>. It's a wonderful chance for you to experience Christ-centered education and celebrate our partnership in the lives of kids. Classrooms will be open for visitation from 8:00-11:00 AM, followed by a luncheon at 11:15 and Program of Praise at 12:15 PM. Please mark your calendar and kindly RSVP at 324.4233 if you plan to attend.

Consider joining Open Hands 4 the Fatherless (OH4F) this **August 11-16, 2017 on a Vision Trip to Haiti!** Come with us and experience God in a whole new way! If you are interested, send an email requesting information to [gladys@oh4f.org](mailto:gladys@oh4f.org) or you can contact Gladys Montsma @ 920.210.5329 if you have any questions. **TODAY is the last day to register, so contact us today!**

**For the month of May Wendy's in Beaver Dam will be donating 20% of orders to OH4F!** Vouchers are available from OH4F board members and in your mailboxes or during May just mention you are supporting OH4F and they will mark your order. It is a great way to help the Myan, Haiti school and OH4F!

**The Christian Home Spring Benefit Concert will be presented on Sunday, May 7 at 2:00 PM,** at First Reformed Church, 422 W. Franklin Street, Waupun. The church is handicapped accessible. The concert will feature four men's choruses: Pine Haven Men's Chorus, Alto Men's Chorus, United Men of Praise, and the Friesland Community Men's Chorus. Also, a mass chorus combining all four groups will be featured. A freewill offering will be accepted, designated for accessories for the future chapel in the new facility. Save the date for an uplifting afternoon of inspiring praise to God!

**Are you looking for a joyful place for your children to be loved and cared for as they learn?** Central Wisconsin Christian is accepting students for the 2017/18 school year. CWC provides a top-notch, faith-infused curriculum where students grow spiritually and academically. As a participant in the Wisconsin Choice Program, eligible families can qualify for full-cost tuition vouchers. Every day is an "Open House" at CWC, so to find out more check us out at [discovercwc.org](http://discovercwc.org) or call us at 920.318.1349.

**Camp Calvin 2017 Registration is now open!** Please register online today! Camp Calvin is a Christian camp for all youth entering grades 4-9 in

the Fall of 2017. Camp Calvin will be held on June 19-24, 2017. For Registration, Camp Information, Photos, or to contact Camp Calvin with any questions, please visit [www.CampCalvin.com](http://www.CampCalvin.com). Brochures can be found on the table in the narthex.

## **Calendar**

<b>Today:</b>	9:30 AM	AM Worship Service @ 1 <sup>st</sup> CRC
	7:00 PM	Combined Easter Cantata @ Bethel CRC
<b>Monday:</b>	6:00 PM	First Place 4 Health @ 1 <sup>st</sup> CRC
	6:00 PM	Friendship Bible Study @ Bethel CRC
<b>Tuesday:</b>	8:00 AM	Prayer Meeting
	9:00 AM	First Place 4 Health @ 1 <sup>st</sup> CRC
<b>Wednesday:</b>	9:00 AM	Coffee Break @ Bethel CRC
	6:30 PM	Elders Meeting @ 1 <sup>st</sup> CRC
	7:00 PM	Mens Bible Study @ Steve Smits
	7:00 PM	Youth Group @ the Union
Thursday:	6:30 PM	Christian Fellowship @ 1 <sup>st</sup> CRC
	6:30 PM	8 <sup>th</sup> Grade class play @ CWC
	7:30 PM	CWC Improv @ CWC
<b>Next Sunday:</b>	9:30 AM	AM Worship Service @ 1 <sup>st</sup> CRC
	6:00 PM	PM Worship Service with Special Presentation by Robert Brock from Voice of the Martyrs

## **Next Week**

### **Accompanist**

Brenda Hofman

### **Children & Worship**

**Leader:** Dominique Van Hil

**Helpers:** Parker Van Hill  
Arent Venhuizen

### **Fellowship Coffee**

Mike & Bonnie Vander Berg

### **Greeters**

Cara, Reegan & Braeden  
Aylesworth

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Mikayla Zonnefeld

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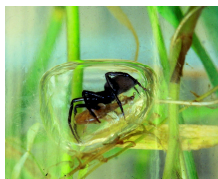
### **Video Projection**

Lois Mulder

# CREATION MOMENTS

Proclaiming Evidence for Truth  
THIS WEEK'S CREATION MOMENT

## The Spider That Thinks It's a Scuba Diver



Of fowls after their kind, and of cattle after their kind, of every creeping thing of the earth after his kind, two of every sort shall come unto thee, to keep them alive. – Genesis 6:20

Most spiders use their silk to make webs to catch prey. But there's one spider that spins its silk to make a virtually waterproof sack and fills it with air bubbles so it can survive underwater for hours at a time. In fact, the air-filled sack is so efficient, it allows this air-breathing spider to live virtually its whole life a few inches below the water's surface.

Scientists have known about the diving bell spider for a long time. But a few years ago they discovered that this silken sack is actually able to produce its own air supply. Acting much like a fish's gills, the finely woven sack draws oxygen from the water while letting nitrogen exit the diving bell.

Evolutionists can't explain how the spider learned how to scuba dive and produce silk that makes the diving bell virtually waterproof. Oh, they will say what they always say – natural selection and mutations over millions of years. But creationists have no need of such far-fetched explanations.

The Creator showed His fondness for this spider by giving it what it needs to avoid predators above the water while feeding upon underwater creatures. Now, think about how much more our Creator loves each one of us. He gave us His Son, who lived a sinless life and then died as a spotless sacrifice on our behalf so we would be found holy and blameless in God's sight through faith in Christ.

Ref: "Diving Bell Spider Uses Bubble Like Gills", Discovery News, 6/9/11. Photo: Diving bell spider enjoys its lunch under water within its virtually waterproof silken sack. Photo posted at the Deep Blue Home website. (Fair Use)

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