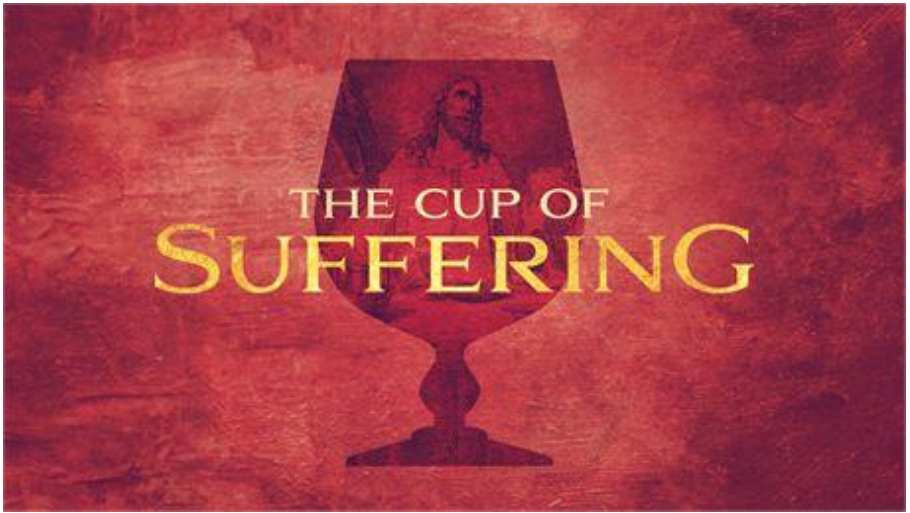


Welcome to
First Christian Reformed Church



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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 (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

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:** Led by Praise Team

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

We Are Renewed in God's Grace

Communion

Song: I Give You My Heart

Congregational Prayer

Offertory and Our Offerings:
Denominational Ministry Shares

Children are dismissed for Walk Out Worship

God Speaks through His Word

***Scripture:** Psalm 22

Sermon: Why?

We Respond to God's Word

***Song of Response:** O Sacred Head, Now Wounded – R316 vs 1-3

We Leave to Serve God

***God's Parting Blessing**

***Closing:** Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow – G638

***Postlude**

Accompanist

Brenda Hofman

Children & Worship

Leader: Jenna Mulder

Helpers: Jolie Schouten
Elise Ritzema

Fellowship Coffee

Phil & Mary Nell Hofman

Greeters

Geoff, Emily & Rynn Aalsma

Nursery

Eric & Stacy Schaver
Lynnae Smits

Sound System

Scott Ritzema

Transportation

Jim Groenewold (520-0055)
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Gene Hofman
Brandon Kitchner
Dan Montsma
Harm Venhuizen

Video Projection

Travis Mulder

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*

6:00 PM Evening Worship
(*Please stand if you are able)

Prelude

Call to Worship

***God's Greeting**

Opening Songs Led by Ben Homan

Prayer of the People Led by Brian O'Donovan

We Study God's Word: Romans 4:18-25

Song of Response: My Faith Looks Up to Thee – R539 vs 1-4

***Affirmation of our Faith:** Q & A 21 & 22

21. Q. What is true faith?

A. **True faith is not only a knowledge and conviction that everything God reveals in his Word is true; it is also a deep-rooted assurance, created in me by the Holy Spirit through the gospel, that, out of sheer grace earned for us by Christ, not only others, but I too, have had my sins forgiven, have been made forever right with God, and have been granted salvation.**

22. Q. What then must a Christian believe?

A. **Everything God promises us in the gospel. That gospel is summarized for us in the articles of our Christian faith--a creed beyond doubt, and confessed throughout the world.**

***Benediction**

***Closing Song:** Glory Be to the Father – G635

***Postlude**

Worship Notes

This morning we celebrate communion together. As we do, Psalm 22 speaks to us of the agony that Christ endured and the praise that He deserves. If you trust in Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior then you are invited to join with us in this remembrance.

Next Sunday is Palm Sunday, when we see Jesus riding into Jerusalem as king. We will also see that this king of ours shows His emotions through weeping for those whom He had created. As Jesus looks ahead to all the suffering that He was about to go through. He also realized that some would not believe, they would not even benefit from the terrible price that Jesus was about to pay. It was hard enough to take it all in, the physical,

emotional, and spiritual suffering that He would endure but to think that for some it wouldn't matter, drove our Savior to weeping.

Verse of the Week: "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me? Why are you so far from saving me, so far from the words of my groaning?"
Psalm 22:1

This week be in prayer for:

- Those who have suffered from miscarriages
- Single parents trying to raise their children
- Christ Community Church in Sheboygan

Give thanks to God for:

- Being able to worship in the church building
- Being the ruler of all
- The coming of Spring

Upcoming Special Service

April 2	9:30 AM	Communion
April 9	9:30 AM	Palm Sunday Service
April 13	7:00 PM	Maundy Thursday Service
April 16	9:30 AM	Easter Sunday

Last Week's Offerings

Local Budget	\$4,652.00
World Renew	\$ 145.00

The Deacons are currently exploring the ability to donate to church using ACH/EFT. This would allow members of the congregation to have their gifts automatically drafted from their checking accounts on a regular basis much like other auto draft items. Because there are some costs associated with putting a system in place, the deacons would like some feedback. Would you use ACH/EFT for regular contributions to church? Please talk to a deacon or email Jon Venhuizen at jvnhzn@gmail.com

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>
Ken Homan	3	Steve Smits	4
Pete Montsma	5	Jaxon Buteyn	5
Brian Bresser	6	Tirzah Ritzema	7
Tabbie Vander Werff	8	Miranda Vander Berg	8

Anniversaries

	<u>April</u>
George & Karen Aalsma	4

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 so much for the cards and kind words when my Grandma Jean passed away. It was wonderful to be all together with my large extended family. **The Van Hill Family**

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



- Todd Schouten who has been suffering from shortness of breath. Pray that the doctors will find the problem, that it is nothing serious, and that soon he will be back to normal.
- Pat Loomans who is recovering from a serious case of pneumonia. She is home and every day her situation improves.

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

Church News

There will be no Sunday School or Catechism this week, we will resume on April 9.

Attention 6th-12th grade band students: We are organizing a band to play on Easter Sunday morning April 16. We plan to have one practice on Saturday, April 15 at 1 p.m. If you would like your music before that day, please contact Katie DJ (920.979.8363).

Calling all Parents! Join us for a Free PARENT ONLY Community Event on **Tuesday, April 4th @ 7 PM at the Waupun Public Library**. CWC's Parents in Action group will be hosting speaker, Aaron Baart (Dean of

Chapel at Dordt College) to hear about Pornography/Sexting and Technology/Sexual Pressures facing kids today. Aaron will be doing a multimedia presentation and allowing time for Question & Answers. For questions, contact: cwcpcia@gmail.com.

Ready, set, race! The Cadets pinewood derby race is Wednesday April 5. Racing begins at 6:30 at CWC in the Crusader Centre. The **GEMS will be providing a delicious meal starting at 5:30** as a fundraiser for their group. A lot of hard work has gone into building the race cars. Come and show your support for your Cadets/GEMS group!

Please join us for the 3rd Annual **Mom's & More Night Out** held at Central Wisconsin Christian in the new Cornerstone Learning Center on **Monday, April 10th from 6-8pm**. This open house will offer many local vendors with displays and door prizes. Come for a night of friends, fellowship, and fun. Central Wisconsin Christian is located at 301 Fox Lake Rd. Waupun, WI. All women are welcome!

Come join us for an intense (rescheduled!) game of volleyball between the Council and Youth Group! On Wednesday, April 12 at CWC we're serving up Tony's Pizza at 6pm with the game starting at 7pm. There will be a free will donation for the youth group ministry. Dress to support your team...Council's team is WHITE. Youth group's team is BLACK. We're looking forward to a fun and entertaining night! See you there!

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 or call us at 920.318.1349.

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.

Do you like children? Have you felt God calling you but didn't know what to? Then join 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, please visit our website: www.oh4f.org or send an email requesting information to gladys@oh4f.org or you can contact Gladys Montsma @ 920.210.5329 if you have any questions. **Deadline for registration for this trip is April 16, 2017, 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 out the Myan, Haiti school and OH4F!

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. Brochures can be found on the table in the narthex.

Calendar

Today:	9:30 AM	AM Worship Service @ 1 st CRC
	6:00 PM	PM Worship Service @ 1 st CRC
Monday:	6:00 PM	First Place 4 Health @ 1 st CRC
Tuesday:	8:00 AM	Prayer Meeting
	9:00 AM	First Place 4 Health @ 1 st CRC
Wednesday:	9:00 AM	Coffee Break @ Bethel CRC
	5:30 PM	GEMS Fundraiser Meal @ CWC
	6:30 PM	Cadets Pinewood Derby @ CWC
	7:00 PM	Youth Group @ the Union
Thursday:	6:30 PM	Christian Fellowship @ 1 st CRC
Next Sunday:	9:30 AM	AM Worship Service @ 1 st CRC
	10:45 AM	Sunday School & Catechism
	6:00 PM	PM Worship Service @ 1 st CRC

Next Week

Accompanist

Cara Aylesworth

Children & Worship

Leader: Becca Vree

Helpers: Aubryn De Jager
Miranda Vander Berg

Fellowship Coffee

Steve & Heidi Smits

Greeters

George & Karen Aalsma

Musical Praise

Elaine Homan

Nursery

Annie Lemmenes

Jen Ritzema

Josh Schouten

NEXT WEEK CONTINUED:

Offering: Classical Ministry
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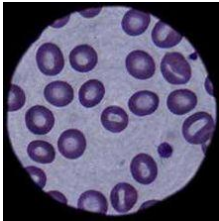
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Mike Vander Berg

CREATION MOMENTS

Proclaiming Evidence for Truth
THIS WEEK'S CREATION MOMENT

Blood – Another Masterpiece of Design



Elect according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, through sanctification of the Spirit, unto obedience and sprinkling of the blood of Jesus Christ: Grace unto you, and peace, be multiplied. – 1 Peter 1:2

Have you ever wondered why blood cells look like red discs that are indented toward the middle? Furthermore, is this distinctive shape an element of design or is it the product of millions of years of mutations and natural selection?

Creationist and biologist Alan Gillen makes a strong case for design in his aptly named book *Body by Design*. According to Dr. Gillen, scientists used IBM mainframe computers to determine the ideal shape for a cell whose job is transporting oxygen to cells and taking away waste products. They discovered that the red blood cell's bioconcave shape allows for maximum surface contact of oxygen-carrying hemoglobin with the cells. This facilitates the two-way exchange of blood gases.

He also points out that this shape gives red blood cells flexibility and elasticity, so they can be folded when flowing through narrow blood capillaries. Plus, they have smooth, rounded edges that reduce the amount of friction as they scurry through veins, arteries and capillaries.

Now, what if evolution's first attempt produced red blood cells that were shaped like cubes and had thin, sharp edges? What if the cells didn't have their distinctive bioconcave shape? Obviously, blood cells had to be designed just right the first time or else the living organism would have died.

Ref: Alan L. Gillen, *Body by Design*, p. 76 (Master Books, Seventh Printing, 2011). Photo: Scanning electron micrograph of red blood cells. (PD)