

*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 in the back sanctuary rack.

You can 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: [waupuncrc@gmail.com](mailto: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 My King  
All Creatures of Our God & King –  
G431 vs 1,3 & 5

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

**We Are Renewed in God's Grace**

**Profession of Faith:** Brandon Kitchner, Josh  
Schouten, Kaytlin Smits, Miranda Vander  
Berg & Mikayla Zonnefeld

**Song:** I Will Rise

**Congregational Prayer**

**Offertory and Our Offerings:** Local

**Children are dismissed for Walk Out  
Worship**

**God Speaks through His Word**

**\*Scripture:** 1 Samuel 8:1-22

**Sermon:** Who is King?

**We Respond to God's Word**

**\*Song of Response:** Lead On, O King  
Eternal – R724 vs 1&2

**We Leave to Serve God**

**\*God's Parting Blessing**

**\*Closing:** Lead On, O King Eternal – R724  
vs 3

**\*Postlude**

**Accompanist**

Laura Ten Pass

**Children & Worship**

**Leader:** Becca Vree

**Helpers:** Shirley Otto  
Ethan Schulz

**Elder/Diacon Greeters**

Al Venhuizen

Brian O'Donovan

**Fellowship Coffee**

Gregg & Kristi Zonnefeld

**Greeters**

Andy & Beth Schlieve

**Nursery**

Danielle & Marissa Jansma

Heather Hoekstra

**Sound System**

Pete Vander Werff

**Transportation**

Percy De Vries (324-4678)

Glen Greenfield (346-5152)

**Ushers**

Will Bronkhorst

Brandon Kitchner

Tyler Ten Pass

Harm Venhuizen

**Video Projection**

Beth Schlieve

**Missionary Letters**

Morris T. to Daryl Pfantz

Ken T. to Neen

Brian T. to Chaplain Peter+

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

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

**Prelude**

**Call to Worship**

**\*God's Greeting**

**Opening Songs** led by Michelle Mulder

**Prayers of the People** led by Al Venhuizen

**We Study God's Word:** Matthew 16:13-19

**\*Song of Response:** Am I a Soldier of the Cross? – R728 vs 1-4

**\*Affirmation of our Faith:** HC Q&A 84-85

**Q&A 84 Q.** How does preaching the gospel open and close the kingdom of heaven?

- A.** **According to the command of Christ: The kingdom of heaven is opened by proclaiming and publicly declaring to all believers, each and every one, that, as often as they accept the gospel promise in true faith, God, because of what Christ has done, truly forgives all their sins. The kingdom of heaven is closed, however, by proclaiming and publicly declaring to unbelievers and hypocrites that, as long as they do not repent, the anger of God and eternal condemnation rest on them. God's judgment, both in this life and in the life to come, is based on this gospel testimony.**

**Q&A 85 Q.** How is the kingdom of heaven closed and opened by Christian discipline?

- A.** **According to the command of Christ: Those who, though called Christians, profess unchristian teachings or live unchristian lives, and after repeated and loving counsel refuse to abandon their errors and wickedness, and after being reported to the church, that is, to its officers, fail to respond also to their admonition—such persons the officers exclude from the Christian fellowship by withholding the sacraments from them, and God himself excludes them from the kingdom of Christ. Such persons, when promising and demonstrating genuine reform, are received again as members of Christ and of his church.**

**\*Benediction**

**\*Closing Song:** Glory Be to the Father – R812

**\*Postlude**

## Worship Notes

**This morning** we witness the professions of faith of Brandon Kitchner, Josh Schouten, Kaytlin Smits, Miranda Vander Berg, & Mikayla Zonnefeld. What a blessing to hear these young people declare their faith in God.

**Next Sunday** we will be called to examine ourselves in anticipation of the Lord's Supper, the following week. At the same time we will hear about our shepherd king, our God who rules over us and gently guides us, even coming to our rescue when we are in need. The story of David, the shepherd, becoming king is such a highlight that many books include this event. David represents much of what our Shepherd King, our God, is. And God points to this by declaring that from David will come as a King who will rule for eternity. We celebrate this as we look to our Shepherd who leads us beside still waters and our King who rules over us and protects us even through the valley of the shadow of death.

Due to cancelling services two weeks ago our reading schedule has been moved back by one week. This means that the readings for this coming week will actually be what was listed for the previous week. We will continue going through the Bible. So, if you have been keeping up you are now one week ahead.

**Verses of the week:** <sup>19</sup> But the people refused to listen to Samuel. "No!" they said. "We want a king over us." <sup>20</sup> Then we will be like all the other nations, with a king to lead us and to go out before us and fight our battles." 1 Samuel 8:19-20

### **This week be in prayer for:**

- Nicaragua: protests against their leader
- Churches that are looking to close their doors
- Church plants struggling to grow

### **Give thanks to God for:**

- Warmer weather
- Rest
- So many forms of transportation

## Upcoming Special Service

5/6/2018	9:30 AM	Preparatory
5/13/2018	9:30 AM	Communion
5/27/2018	7:00 PM	Combined Memorial Day Service @ Bethel CRC

## Deacons Report

At any time, you may donate to any cause by writing the cause in the "other" line or by writing it on the memo line of a check.

**Electronic giving is now available.** If you would like to get setup send an email to Jon Venhuizen at [jvnhzn@gmail.com](mailto:jvnhzn@gmail.com)

**For Brother Bob Ministry donations** please make checks payable to First CRC and put Brother Bob in the Memo or mark it on your envelope.

**If you are donating 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** 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.

### Last Week's Offerings

Local Budget	\$6,580.00
Mission Backpack	\$ 50.00

### Our Family

**The Outreach Committee would like to thank the congregation** for their generous support for the Dodge County Pregnancy Center! We raised \$1083 for this fantastic local cause.

**We rejoice with the Van Hill family** as they now have a court date (May 11) for the adoption of their foster daughter, Lucy.

Congratulations to **Travis and Jessica (Eisenga) Mulder** who were united in marriage this weekend. May they feel the Lord's blessing as they start this new chapter in their lives.

### Birthdays

Sue Buwalda  
Lynnae Smits  
Amanda Buteyn

### May

1  
4  
5

Flora Bresser  
Bruce Huizenga

### May

3  
5

### Anniversaries

Bob & Kathy Bille

### May

5



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

- Kim Root as she heals from hip replacement surgery
- Ben & Alyssa Homan and Eden as she has surgery this coming week to place rods in her back.
- Laura Ten Pass as she goes through treatments for the spots that were found. Pray for peace and healing.

- Leanne Johnson as she waits for results from her treatments.
- The Charlie Kitchner family as they mourn the loss of Charlie's stepmom Kim.
- Winnie Kuiper and family as they mourn the death of her son, Frank.
- Give praise that Winnie was able to celebrate her 100<sup>th</sup> birthday this past week with family & friends.
- Kathy & Bryon Kamphuis and family as Kathy's brother, Terry Rake, passed away this past week.
- Bob Decker who is experiencing health issues due to bleeding on the liver. Pray for healing and peace.
- Morris Te Grootenhuis as he awaits test results.

It can be easy to forget about those that we don't see every week so we are including a list of shut-ins within our congregation. We hope that you will take some time to visit, send cards, and pray for these members of our family. As Romans 12:10 says, "Be devoted to one another in brotherly love. Honor one another above yourselves."

- Joyce Haan
- Winnie Kuiper
- Wilma Navis

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

## **Church News**

If your group is planning to use the church for any events please make sure that you have reserved it through the church secretary in advance. Thank you.

**The Outreach Committee is looking for two people to organize our Care Ministry.** This ministry helps set-up meals for those who are sick, have just had a baby, or may be going through a difficult time. This is a great way to show love in our church family. Please talk to Bonnie Vander Berg if you would be willing to help in this way!

First CRC will **reimburse half of the cost for students' Camp Calvin attendance** for this year. Please contact Keren for reimbursement.

**The Christian Home & Rehabilitation Center is having its annual spring concert and benefit at 2 p.m. on Sunday, May 6<sup>th</sup>** at the First Reformed Church, Waupun. The concert will feature the New Generation Singers, led by Laura Ten Pass; Jon Schmaltz, pianist; and The Pella Praise Band, featuring Vicki Bellville, Laura Cameron, Harvey Oosterhouse and Sherry Oosterhouse. A freewill offering will benefit the Christian Home & Rehabilitation Center's new chapel, as well as resident services and programs. The Christian Home & Rehabilitation Center, 331 Bly Street in Waupun, supports long-term skilled nursing care, rehabilitation services, memory care and assisted living apartments.

We will be having a **Spring-Clean-Up-Day at church on Saturday, May 5<sup>th</sup>**. We are asking for men & women to help out with various indoor & outdoor projects. We will be **starting at 8:30am**. Please bring buckets, rags, and a vacuum if able. Watch for more details to follow!

**The Building & Grounds committee has a lawn-mower, weed-eater, and leaf blower available to the highest bidder.** If you are interested, please put your bid in a sealed envelope in **Brian Bresser's mailbox by Sunday, April 29<sup>th</sup>**. The lawn tool must be picked-up by Saturday, May 5<sup>th</sup>. If you interested in the items, please talk to Brian Bresser for more details.

**The CWC music department has upcoming performances that we would like to invite you to.** The middle school students will be presenting their Festival concert on Tuesday May 1. The 5th grade band will make their debut. The choir and band will also perform. Following this the students will perform their various solos and ensembles that they are preparing for the upcoming Music Festival. This concert will begin at **4:00 pm** in Crusader Centre.

The **CWC Honors Recital will be held Monday May 7** in the Cornerstone. We will begin at **7:00 pm**. This recital features those high school students who performed at the state solo and ensemble competition. If you would like to attend please RSVP by calling the school office at 324-4233.

The Waupun Christian Clergy invite you to join with other Christians in Waupun to pray for America on Thursday, May 3 at 6:30 pm at the Union Gym.

**VBS this year is June 25-28** the theme is Shipwrecked Rescued By Jesus. It will be held at Bethel CRC. The CD's are here, contact Dominique if you would like one. They are \$5.00. Sign-up will be coming soon.

**Camp Calvin 2018 Registration is Now Open!** Please register online today! Camp Calvin is a Christian youth camp for students entering grades 4-9. At Camp Calvin, students will explore and enjoy God's creation, worship our Lord with songs, and receive inspiration from our spiritual leaders. Camp Calvin will be held June 18-23, 2108 For Registration, Camp information, photos, or to contact Camp Calvin with any questions, please visit [www.CampCalvin.com](http://www.CampCalvin.com)

Join the Randolph Christian School at the Waupun Pizza Ranch on Monday, April 30<sup>th</sup>. Our 7th and 8th grade students will be working in the restaurant that night from 4:30 – 8:00 to earn money for their classes gifts to RCS when they graduate. 10-15% of buffet, pick-up and delivery sales and all tips will go to support their cause!

The community is once again planning for the **summer bag lunch program**, our church has helped to provide for this for several years. If

anyone is interested in organizing this for our church please contact Gladys. There are several weeks open but will be taken up quickly.

**Cleaning/Maintenance Position at the Union** – The Union is looking for a person or a couple to clean and do light maintenance weekly. Contact Scott Ritzema for details at (920)948-8185.

### Calendar

<b>Today:</b>	9:30 AM	AM Worship Service
	10:45 AM	Sunday School & Catechism
	6:00 PM	PM Worship Service
<b>Tuesday:</b>	8:00 AM	Prayer Meeting @ 1 <sup>st</sup> CRC
	9:00 AM	First Place for Health @ 1 <sup>st</sup> CRC
<b>Wednesday:</b>	9:00 AM	Coffee Break @ Bethel CRC
	7:00 PM	Youth Group @ the Union
<b>Thursday:</b>	6:30 PM	Christian Fellowship @ 1 <sup>st</sup> CRC
<b>Next Sunday:</b>	9:30 AM	AM Worship Service
	10:45 AM	Sunday School & Catechism
	6:00 PM	PM Worship Service

### Next Week

#### **Accompanist**

Lois Mulder

**Offering:** Local Budget

**May Cause:** Youth Ministry Fund

#### **Children & Worship**

**Leader:** Pat Jonker

**Helpers:** Megan Greenfield  
Jolie Schouten

#### **Prayer**

Brian O'Donovan

#### **Sound System**

Eric Homan

#### **Elder/Deacon Greeters**

Don Pausma  
Jon Venhuizen

#### **Transportation**

Morris Te Grootenhuis (539-0438)  
Louie Wierenga (324-3683)

#### **Fellowship Coffee**

Mike & Bonnie Vander Berg

#### **Ushers**

Jesse Buteyn  
Glen Greenfield  
Noah Mulder  
Josh Schouten

#### **Greeters**

Brad, Rhonda, Josh, Jolie &  
Jenna Schouten

#### **Musical Praise**

Elaine Homan

#### **Video Projection**

Katie DeJager

#### **Nursery**

Brad & Rhonda Schouten  
Megan Greenfield



# CREATION MOMENTS

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THIS WEEK'S CREATION MOMENT

## Brain Food



Spikenard and saffron; calamus and cinnamon, with all trees of frankincense; myrrh and aloes, with all the chief spices. – Song of Solomon 4:14

On a previous Creation Moments broadcast, we had good news for coffee drinkers – specifically, that the caffeine in coffee does not make a person dehydrated. The long-held myth that coffee is a diuretic was the product of 90- years-old bad science. Well, today we've got even more good news about something you might already be consuming at breakfast. Once you hear how feeding it to laboratory mice improved their learning ability, you might want to make it a regular part of your family's breakfast.

I'm talking about cinnamon. Kalipada Pahan from Rush University Medical Center said that consuming cinnamon "would be one of the safest and the easiest approaches to convert poor learners to good learners."

He reached this conclusion after his research team discovered that feeding cinnamon to laboratory mice increased the levels of a protein called CREB in the brain's hippocampus. This is the part of the brain that is known to be the key to learning.

Pahan reported, "We have successfully used cinnamon to reverse biochemical, cellular and anatomical changes that occur in the brains of mice with poor learning." With this in mind, the research team is now investigating to see if cinnamon might be useful in the treatment of people with Parkinson's disease.

Wasn't it good of our Creator to give us so many foods and spices that are not only a joy to eat but helpful to our bodies?

Ref: "Cinnamon may aid learning ability: Spice consumption made mice better learners," ScienceDaily, 7/12/16. Deb Song, Rush University Medical Center press release. Photo: Pixabay.

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