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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:

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna – R297 vs 1-3 All Hail King Jesus – R103

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

## We Are Renewed in God's Grace

#### **Confession and Assurance**

God of exodus and wilderness, God of refuge and help, hear us now as we make our confession to you.

In times of temptation we forget what you have done for us. You give us everything we need, yet we often remain unsatisfied; you trust us to care for creation, yet we often abuse that trust and spoil what we have been given. You show us the way we are to follow, yet we often continue on the path of self-indulgence and self-centeredness. Forgive us, we pray. [Silence]

We ask for your direction, your patience, your love,

in the name of Jesus Christ, who, in spite of his temptations, was faithful to your saving Word. Amen. Accompanist Cara Aylesworth

Children & Worship Leader: Becca Vree Helpers: Aubryn De Jager Miranda Vander Berg

Fellowship Coffee Steve & Heidi Smits

**Greeters** George & Karen Aalsma

#### Nursery

Annie Lemmenes Jen Ritzema Josh Schouten

Sound System Pete Vander Werff

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

#### Ushers

Gene Hofman Brandon Kitchner Dan Montsma Harm Venhuizen

Video Projection Mike Vander Berg

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

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

## **Congregational Prayer**

## Offertory and Our Offerings: Local Budget

## Children are dismissed for Walk Out Worship

## God Speaks through His Word

\*Scripture: Luke 19:28-44

Sermon: The Crying King

## We Respond to God's Word

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

## We Leave to Serve God

## \*God's Parting Blessing

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

## \*Postlude

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

Prelude Call to Worship \*God's Greeting Opening Songs Led by Elaine Homan Prayer of the People Led by Ken Homan We Study God's Word: Matthew 3:16-17, 28:18-19 ~ Lord's Day 8 Song of Response: Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty – R3 vs 1-4 \*Affirmation of our Faith: Apostle's Creed \*Benediction \*Closing Song: Father we Love You – G634 \*Postlude

# Worship Notes

**This week** is called Holy Week because within it we approach Good Friday, remembering Jesus' death, and move on to Easter, where we celebrate our risen Savior. During this week take some time to silently reflect on what Christ has done for us.

**Thursday night** we will worship at 7:00. In this service we will somberly reflect on the price that was paid for our sins by Jesus Christ. We will join together for communion, considering the weight of this event.

**Next Sunday** is one of the most celebrated times of worship as we sing our Alleluias, recognizing that Christ arose. Come and worship our risen king and hear testimonies of how God has given new life.

**Next Sunday evening** we will worship at Bethel at 7:00pm. The Randolph Community Choir will lead us in a cantata entitled "Mercy Came Running". Hear the Easter story told in song.

**Verse of the Week:** As he approached Jerusalem and saw the city he wept over it. Luke 19:41

#### This week be in prayer for:

- Those who do not believe the story of Good Friday and Easter
- Those who are feeling like their bodies are falling apart
- The church so we might bring the gospel message to the world

#### Give thanks to God for:

- Jesus' death
- Jesus' resurrection
- God's limitless love

## **Upcoming Special Service**

April 9	9:30 AM	Palm Sunday Service
April 13	7:00 PM	Maundy Thursday 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 30	9:30 AM	GEMS Sunday

# Last Week's Offerings

Local Budget	\$5	,782.00
<b>Denominational Ministry Shares</b>	\$1	,073.00
Mission Backpack	\$	10.00

All loose offering will go toward Local Budget

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 jnvnhzn@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

<b>Birthdays</b>	<u>April</u>		<u>April</u>
Pat Loomans	10	Rose Homan	11
Elijah Hofman	11	Gabriel Hofman	11
Harry Venhuizen	12	Elliana Mulder	12
Peter Hofman	14	Pat Homan	15

#### Anniversaries Harold & Carol Greenfield

April

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** to our Church family for the prayers, cards and meals brought in and to Pastor Craig and Mike Vander Berg for their calls and visits, **Pat and Howard Loomans** 

## 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.
- Charlie Kitchner and family as they mourn the death of his dad, who passed away this week.

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

## Church News

Attention 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> 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).

Please join us for the 3rd Annual <u>Mom's & More Night Out</u> 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!

**Mens Bible Studies: Wednesday Noon Group** will meet on **Wed, April 12**. Wednesday **Evening Group** will meet on **Wed, April 19**. This will be the last study for each of these groups.

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.

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.

<u>Calling all Seniors</u> – looking for a great night of fun, food, and fellowship provided by some great middle school kids? Come join us on <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>April 26 (5:30-7:30 p.m.)</u> 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. 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 28th. 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 <u>gladys@oh4f.org</u> or you can contact Gladys Montsma @ <u>920.210.5329</u> if you have any questions. <u>Deadline for registration is fast approaching</u>, <u>April 16, 2017, so contact us today!</u>

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!

**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 <sup>st</sup> CRC
	10:45 AM	Sunday School & Catechism
	6:00 PM	PM Worship Service @ 1 <sup>st</sup> CRC
Monday:	6:00-8:00 PM	Moms and More Night Out @ CWC
Tuesday:	8:00 AM	Prayer Meeting
-	9:00 AM	First Place 4 Health @ 1st CRC
Wednesday:	9:00 AM	Coffee Break @ Bethel CRC
	11:45 AM	Mens Bible Study @ Mike Vander Berg
	2:30 PM	Mary Martha @ Prairie Ridge
	6:00 PM	Youth Group Pizza Fundraiser @ CWC
	7:00 PM	Youth Group vs Council Volleyball @
		CWC
Thursday:	7:00 PM	Maundy Thursday Service @ 1 <sup>st</sup> CRC
Next Sunday:	9:30 AM	AM Worship Service @ 1 <sup>st</sup> CRC
-	7:00 PM	Combined Easter Cantata @ Bethel CRC

## Maundy Thursday

Accompanist Laura Ten Pass

Sound Joe Bresser

Video Projection Katie De Jager

## Next Week

Accompanist Lois Mulder

Children & Worship Leader: Pat Jonker Helpers: Harm Venhuizen Marissa Jansma

Fellowship Coffee Gregg & Kristi Zonnefeld **Greeters** Troy Aalsma, Taylor Sweetman & Lenette

**Nursery** Jon & Jenna Mulder Kim Venhuizen Miranda Vander Berg

Offering: Local Budget April Cause: Mission Backpack

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#### Proclaiming Evidence for Truth THIS WEEK'S CREATION MOMENT

## "Primitive" Electric Eel Not So Primitive After All

Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honour and power: for thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were created. – Revelation 4:11

Electric eels release strong electric current into the water to make fish thrash about and come out of hiding. Now scientists have discovered another shockingly sophisticated trick used by electric eels. As reported by Reuters, "Vanderbilt University neurobiologist Kenneth Catania said some have viewed electric eels as unsophisticated, primitive creatures with a single tool in the toolbox, shocking their prey to death." But he added, "In reality, they manipulate their electric fields in complex ways that only now are being appreciated."

Basically, electric eels brings their positive end – located in their head – close to the negative end in their tail. By trapping their prey between the positive and negative ends of their "battery", the eels are able to more than double the voltage inflicted on prey. According to Catania, "We know from basic physics that bringing two electrical poles together concentrates the electric field, and we know from basic muscle physiology that running a muscle too fast for too long causes exhaustion. But I would never have imagined an electric eel could produce the same results."

The reason he didn't imagine this is because he believes – despite the evidence – that electric eels are primitive creatures produced by non-intelligent chance mutations. But creationists who study electric eels aren't shocked by their sophisticated abilities. We know they were created just one day before man.

Ref: Will Dunham, "Zap happy: electric eels innovative in subduing hapless prey," Reuters, 10/28/15. Photo: Electric eel at the New England Aquarium. Photographed by Steven G. Johnson. (CC BY-SA 3.0)

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