

*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**

**\*Call to Worship**

**\*Opening:** God of Wonders  
He Knows My name

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

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

**Preparatory**

**Song:** Be Thou My Vision – R562 vs 1-4

**Congregational Prayer**

**Offertory and Our Offerings:** Local Budget

**Children are dismissed for Walk Out Worship**

**God Speaks through His Word**

**\*Scripture:** James 5:13-16, John 17:1

**Sermon:** Be Intimate

**We Respond to God's Word**

**\*Song of Response:** The Bond of Love – R423 vs 1 & 2 (transition into next song)  
The Servant Song – R424 vs 1-5

**We Leave to Serve God**

**\*God's Parting Blessing**

**Closing:** Doxology – R815

**\*Postlude**

**Accompanist**

Lois Mulder

**Children & Worship**

**Leader:** Kim Greenfield

**Helpers:** Ryer Greenfield  
Brandon Kitchner

**Fellowship Coffee**

Pete & Tabbie Vander Werff

**Greeters**

Bob & Kathy Bille

**Nursery**

Dominique & Parker Van Hill  
Phylcia Bronkhorst

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**Missionary Letters**

Shirley O. to Daryl Pfantz+  
Dewey P. to Neen  
Don P. 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 Elaine Homan

**Prayers of the People** Led by Brian O'Donovan

**We Study God's Word:** Job 1:6-22 ~ Lord's Day 10

**\*Song of Response:** Humble Praises, Holy Jesus – G484 vs 1 & 2

**Affirmation of our Faith:** HC Q&A 27-28

27 Q. What do you understand by the providence of God?

- A. **Providence is the almighty and ever present power of God by which he upholds, as with his hand, heaven and earth and all creatures, and so rules them that leaf and blade, rain and drought, fruitful and lean years, food and drink, health and sickness, prosperity and poverty—all things, in fact, come to us not by chance but from his fatherly hand.**

28 Q. How does the knowledge of God's creation and providence help us?

- A. **We can be patient when things go against us, thankful when things go well, and for the future we can have good confidence in our faithful God and Father that nothing will separate us from his love. All creatures are so completely in his hand that without his will they can neither move nor be moved.**

**\*Benediction**

**\*Closing Song:** God is So Good – R193 vs1

**\*Postlude**

**Worship Notes**

**Next Sunday**, the Lord willing, we will once again join around the table to remember the death of Jesus Christ, which is the greatest gift ever given. During this coming week take time to consider your actions, your thoughts, and your faith. As we come together next Sunday we will also look at God's call to us to be generous. There is no one that has been more generous than Jesus Christ and so we ought to seek to follow in His footsteps.

**Verse of the Week:** Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous man is powerful and effective. James 5:16

**This week be in prayer for:**

- Farmers as they go out into the fields
- Parents as they raise their children, especially in the faith
- New Hope Community Church in Wisconsin Rapids

**Give thanks to God for:**

- Health
- Beauty
- Wonder

**Upcoming Special Service**

May 14	9:30 AM	Communion/Mothers Day
May 21	6:00 PM	New G's
May 25	7:00 PM	Ascension Day Service @ Alto CRC
May 28	9:30 AM	Peter Hofman
May 28	6:00 PM	Memorial Day Service

**Council News**

The Council has released the following names for nomination of Elder and Deacon. Nominations for Elder: Steve Homan, Dale Jansen, Tom Jonker, Merlin Schouten, Dave Rens. Nominations for Deacon: Joe Bresser, Randall Greenfield, Tyler Jansen, Brian Van Herwaarden.

**Congregational meeting will be held on Monday, June 26, 2017 at 7:00 PM.**

**Last Week's Offerings**

Local Budget	\$2,341.00
GEMS	\$ 573.17
Mission Backpack	\$ 75.00

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!

**May cause: Cary Christian Center** in Mississippi which works to break the cycle of poverty by building serious and significant relationships that are based on biblical principles. Their Mission Statement is to actively proclaim and demonstrate the Gospel of Jesus Christian in order to enable individuals to reach their full potential in Christ.

## Our Family

### Birthdays

Clarissa Roets  
Joyce Haan  
Lori Kitchner

### May

7  
10  
12

Seth Aylesworth  
Cassidy Ritzema

### May

8  
11

### Anniversaries

Andy & Beth Schlieve

### May

11

We want to take a moment to say **Thank you** to our First CRC family for the many prayers, support, and cards that were sent in the loss of my father. Special thanks to Al and Pastor Craig for the visits and calls. Charlie, **Lori and Brandon Kitchner**

**A BIG thank you** to everyone who remembered me with cards on and other acts of kindness on my 99<sup>th</sup> birthday. I received 42 cards and had some nice young men come and sing to me, it made my day very special. **Winnie Kuiper**

**I would like to thank** Pastor Craig for his prayers and visits after my hospital stay. I would also like to thank those who called to check on me, it was very much appreciated. It is good to be part of the family of God. **Lois Pausma**

**Attention grads and parents of grads!** Gladys needs information from each of you. For those graduating college please get me the school and date of your graduation, degree, and your future plans. Those graduating high school please get me school graduating from and what your future plans include. It is also appreciated if you can send a picture to the church email: [waupunrcrc@gmail.com](mailto:waupunrcrc@gmail.com). We will be celebrating our grads on Sunday, June 4, 2017. Thank you!

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



- **Jeanette Tjepkema** is at the Christian Home going through rehab while she gains her strength back.
- **Wilma Navis** thanking God that she is back at Clearview and her health issues seem to be under control.

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
- Jeanette Tjepkema
- Howard Loomans
- Lee Heideman

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

## **Church News**

**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!

**Sunday School and Catechism** classes are done for the year. **Thank you to all those that gave of their talents in teaching, singing, etc.**

In order to better recognize CWC's state-bound musicians, we are **presenting the 2nd Annual Honors Recital in the Cornerstone Tuesday, May 9**. God has richly blessed our students to the point where we can easily fill 2 hours with just their solos and ensembles. At 6PM warm up with coffee and punch. Performances will begin at 6:30 with reception and cake to follow at 8pm. We are excited to honor our student performers! Please RSVP to Mr. Hall 920-948-5955 or Mrs. Ten Pass 920-960-7415 so that we can prepare enough refreshments.

The CWC Annual Awards Night/Art Show is **Thursday, May 18** at 6:30 pm in the Crusader Centre. Academic scholarships along with music, forensics, honor roll, and citizenship awards will be handed out. Come join us in honoring our students and giving thanks to God for the talents with which He has blessed us.

The CWC Music and Arts Departments will present its annual Celebration Concert, **May 19<sup>th</sup>**. The concert will begin at 6:30pm in the Crusader Centre and includes the choir, band, and New Generation Singers. Come out and enjoy a time of musical praise!

Join the fun and excitement of the annual **CWC Golf Outing**, to be hosted at Rock River Country Club in Waupun on **Saturday, May 20<sup>th</sup>**. The four-golfer scramble format is a shot-gun start event, with delicious food and fellowship filling out the day. To sign up your team or to secure one of our many levels of sponsorship available for the event, check out the CWC

website or contact Mark Homan (960.4062). Put together that foursome and come and enjoy a great day!



**First CRC presents the African Childrens Choir  
Live in Concert** on Wednesday, May 17, 2017 at  
7:00 PM.

**Our church will be hosting the African Children Choir may 17 & 18.  
Housing will be needed** for 19 children & 8 adults for these 2 nights. If you are able to house the following:

- 1 home for 1 adult and 3 girls
- 1 home for 2 adults and 3 girls
- 2 homes for 1 adult and 2 girls each
- 3 hones for 1 adult and 3 boys each

**If you are interested in doing this Pastor Craig will have a short meeting after the AM Service to inform you on the details. Please contact Gladys at 920-210-5329 for details.**

**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!

**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 Registrations, please visit [www.CampCalvin.com](http://www.CampCalvin.com). Brochures can be found by the information center in the basement.

**Calendar**

<b>Today:</b>	9:30 AM	AM Worship Service @ 1 <sup>st</sup> CRC
	6:00 PM	PM Worship Service @ 1 <sup>st</sup> CRC
<b>Monday:</b>	6:00 PM	First Place 4 Health @ 1 <sup>st</sup> CRC
<b>Tuesday:</b>	8:00 AM	Prayer Meeting
	9:00 AM	First Place 4 Health @ 1 <sup>st</sup> CRC
	6:30 PM	Elders Meeting
<b>Wednesday:</b>	6:30 PM	Council Meeting
<b>Next Sunday:</b>	9:30 AM	AM Worship Service @ 1 <sup>st</sup> CRC
	6:00 PM	PM Worship Service @ 1 <sup>st</sup> CRC

**Next Week**

**Accompanist**

Laura Ten Pass?

**Children & Worship**

**Leader:** Andrea Buwalda

**Helpers:** Megan Greenfield  
Neal Venhuizen

**Fellowship Coffee**

Bob & Michelle Mulder

**Greeters**

Brian & Flora Bresser

**Musical Praise**

Michelle Mulder

**Nursery**

Marilyn Mulder  
Dominique Van Hill  
Megan Greenfield

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<b><u>Group</u></b>	<b><u>Elder</u></b>	<b><u>Deacon</u></b>
1	Don Pausma	Jon Venhuizen
2	Denny Vande Berg	
3	Bob Mulder	
4	Scott Ritzema	Eric Homan
5	Norm Buwalda	Ben Mulder
6	Mike Vander Berg	Brad Schouten
7	Gregg Zonnefeld	Dave Venhuizen
8	Al Venhuizen	Brian O'Donovan



  
**CREATION MOMENTS**  
Proclaiming Evidence for Truth  
THIS WEEK'S CREATION MOMENT

## The Fish with Three Lines of Defense



Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. – Ephesians 6:11

To hear evolutionists tell it, millions of years of chance mutations, combined with natural selection, produced all manner of living creatures. Now, let's look at just one creature – the porcupinefish – and see how the theory of evolution works out in real life. If the theory fails the test,

it's a strong indicator that the theory lacks the power to explain the existence of any living creature.

The porcupinefish is blessed with not one, not two, but three lines of defense. The first comes into play when a predator is near. The porcupinefish quickly swallows a large amount of water, practically doubling its size. This makes the fish too large for some predators to swallow.

The second line of defense comes into play as the fish transforms itself into a football-sized balloon covered with menacing barbs. Its scales stand on end, turning it into an aquatic version of the land-dwelling porcupine. The very sight of these sharp scales protruding in every direction scares off many predators.

The third line of defense for some porcupinefish species is the neurotoxin in their internal organs – a toxin that's at least twelve-hundred times more potent than cyanide. As Wikipedia points out, "As a result of these three defenses, porcupinefish have few predators."

Now, can evolutionists explain how this unique fish came to have these three lines of defense? No, they can't. Not even Darwin tried to explain it when he wrote about the porcupinefish in his book *The Voyage of the Beagle*.

Ref: 1000 Wonders of Nature, p. 120 (Reader's Digest, London). Wikipedia: <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Porcupinefish>. Photo: Preserved porcupinefish at the zoology lab of Open University of Sri Lanka. Courtesy of Gihan Jayaweera. (CC BY-SA 3.0)

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