

*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: [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 Songs:**

Blessed Be Your Name  
If My People's Hearts are  
Humbled – R805 vs 1 & 2

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

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

**Preparatory**

**Song:** Everlasting God

**Congregational Prayer**

**Offertory and Our Offerings:** Local  
Budget

**Children are dismissed for Walk Out  
Worship**

**God Speaks through His Word**

**\*Scripture:** Matthew 5:4

**Sermon:** For Those Who Mourn

**We Respond to God's Word**

**\*Song of Response:** Comfort, Comfort  
Now My People – G194 vs 1-3

**We Leave to Serve God**

**\*God's Parting Blessing**

**\*Closing:** Ancient of Days

**\*Postlude**

**Accompanist**

Laura Ten Pass

**Children & Worship**

**Leader:** Kim Greenfield

**Helpers:** Ryer Greenfield

Elise Ritzema

**Elder/Deacon Greeters**

Gregg Zonnefeld

Dave Venhuizen

**Fellowship Coffee**

Gregg & Kristi Zonnefeld

**Greeters**

John & Arlene De Jager

**Nursery**

Sue Buwalda

Annie Lemmenes

Reegan Aylesworth

**Sound System**

Seth Aylesworth

**Transportation**

Jim Groenewold (520-0055)

Morris Te Grootenhuis

(539-0438)

**Ushers**

Gene Hofman

Brandon Kitchner

Harm Venhuizen

**Video Projection**

Travis Mulder

**Missionary Letters**

Ken T. to Daryl Pfantz

Brian T. to Neen

Hollie T. to Chaplain Peter+

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

**6:00 PM Worship Service @ First CRC**  
**(\*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 Merle Schouten

**We Study God's Word:** John 1:11-13; Hebrews 1:6 ~ Lord's Day 13

**\*Song of Response:** Grace Greater than Our Sins – R344 vs 1-3

**\*Affirmation of our Faith:** HC Q&A 33

Q. Why is he called God's "only Son" when we also are God's children?

A. **Because Christ alone is the eternal, natural Son of God. We, however, are adopted children of God—adopted by grace through Christ.**

**\*Benediction**

**\*Closing Song:** Grace Greater than Our Sins – R344 vs 4

**\*Postlude**

**Worship Notes**

**Next Sunday** we anticipate the celebration of the Lord's Supper as we remember Jesus' great sacrifice for us. As we do so we look at the beatitude for those who are meek, a great description of the way Jesus lived as He journeyed to the cross. God Himself expressed meekness beyond any human. Why is it that we fail to be meek even though we are only human but God, the most powerful being in the universe was absolutely meek?

**Verse of the Week:** "Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted." Matthew 5:4

**This week be in prayer for:**

- Kentucky as they will be offering Bible courses in public schools
- Our witness in this community
- Faith Community Church in Beaver Dam

**Give thanks to God for:**

- Belonging to Him in life and in death
- Those who were chosen as elders and deacons on Monday
- Easy access to God's Word

**Upcoming Special Service**

July 2	9:30 AM	Preparatory
	6:00 PM	Combined Service @ First CRC
July 9	9:30 AM	Communion
	7:00 PM	Combined Service @ Bethel CRC

## **Deacons Report**

Fund	YTD Offering	YTD Budget	YTD Surplus shortfall of 100% paid
Local Budget	\$266,764.34	\$278,036.00	-\$11,271.66
Denominational	\$21,453.75	\$76,120.00	-\$54,666.25
Classical	\$16,973.50	\$21,176.00	-\$4,202.50

### **Last Week's Offerings**

Local Budget	\$3,973.10
Bible League International	\$ 45.00

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

**July cause: Gideons International.** Founded in 1899, they have 290,000 members—and an untold number of supporters—in more than 190 countries across the globe who make it possible for others to learn about the love of God by giving them access to His Word

### **Our Family**

#### **Birthdays**

	<u>July</u>		<u>July</u>
Helene Navis	3	Kristi Zonnefeld	4
Isaac Hofman	5	Annie Lemmenes	7
Carol Navis	7	Lucas Vander Berg	7
Harold Greenfield	8		

#### **Anniversaries**

	<u>July</u>
Scott & Jen Ritzema	8

**Thanks** much for the overwhelming words of comfort, cards, phone calls, prayers etc. in the passing of our son Steve Greenfield. It sure gives us the Peace that passes all understanding. The Lord giveth & the Lord taketh away, Blessed be the Lord. A special thanks for Pastor Craig for his visits and Al Venhuizen for his part in the memorial service. **Glen & Sandy Greenfield**

I would like to express **my appreciation** to Pastor Craig and Elder Don Pausma for their visits and prayers while I was in the hospital and Christian Home. **Thank you** to my church family for the many prayers and food brought in during this time. **Nina Te Beest**

**At our annual congregational meeting** on Monday night Joe Bresser and Randall Greenfield were chosen as deacons, & Steve Homan, Tom Jonker, and Merle Schouten were chosen as elders. We give thanks for those who are retiring from their offices (Brad Schouten and Dave Venhuizen as deacons & Denny Vande Berg, Mike Vander Berg, and Gregg Zonnefeld as elders). Please take a moment to give thanks to those who are retiring and lift up the new council in your prayers as they seek God's guidance in leading and serving this congregation.

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



- Ryer Greenfield as he recovers from a sinus surgery and ear tubes.
- Danielle Jansma as she continues to heal from foot surgery. Pray for pain control and a quick recovery.
- Marge Vande Streek as she mourns the death of her brother, Howard Vande Slunt.
- - Arky Navis as he anticipates surgery on his back
- John, grandson of Ken & Gardie Ten Pas, as he is scheduled to have an experimental surgery on July 12 to repair his partially collapsed lung. Pray for good health so that they can go ahead with this surgery and success as the surgeons do their work.
- Carlie Jansen as she continues to recover.
- Nina Te Beest as she recovers.
- Dave Mulder, cousin of Sue Buwalda, as he undergoes treatment for cancer

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**

**There will not be regular office hours this week as Gladys is on vacation. Please continue to have all announcements into the office by Thursday at 9:00 AM. Thank you**

**The 21st Annual CWC Athletic Booster Club Co-ed Church Softball Tournament is scheduled for Friday, July 14 and Saturday, July 15 at Medema Fields in Waupun.** We are planning to have a team from First CRC again this year. If you would like to play, **there is a sign-up sheet on the information center in the basement or you can text Pete Vander Werff at 295-7460.** Please sign-up as possible so we can make sure we have enough players. If you can't play, we would love to have you there cheering on the team! If you have any questions call Pete.

**Today is the last day to drop off donations for the community bag lunch program.** Donations may be dropped off at 505 Autumn Ave during the week. **We still are in need of some helpers to prepare the lunches from 10:30 - 11:30. Items still needed: paper bags, snack size ziploc bags, and cookies. No more peanut butter is needed. Thanks for all the donations so far!**

Did you know you can personally make an eternal difference in the life of someone in Africa? You'll have an opportunity to do this at the retreat hosted by Bible League International Volunteers on September 19, 2017, at the First Reformed Church in Waupun, Wisconsin. Jennie Afman Dimkoff, our featured speaker, is a gifted story teller and has authored several books on faith, grace, and miracles. Be sure the men in your lives plan to come as well. Invite friends and family to come along and experience this amazing day which includes a mini-concert by new Generations, who are a joy to watch and hear! Check a brochure/poster for more information of talk to your Key Contact, Arlene De Jager @ 920-344-1674.

**There is a FREE Voice of the Martyrs Advance Conference in Wausau on Saturday, July 22.** If you are interested in attending this conference along with some others from our church, be sure to contact Mike Vander Berg by July 8. To learn more about this conference, go to [www.vomevents.com](http://www.vomevents.com) and click on the Wisconsin conference link.

**Coffee Chats - Voice of the Martyrs:** Just a reminder, our next Coffee Chat is scheduled for **July 16 at 8:45 AM in our church basement.** We will learn more about the topic of Faithfulness as it relates to Persecuted Christians. Even if you did not attend the first Chat in June, we would love to have you join us for this. If you need nursery services, please send an email to Mike at [mike@dis-solutions.com](mailto:mike@dis-solutions.com).

**2017 ReNew Forum (Formerly the Wisconsin Leadership Forum) will be held on Sunday, August 27<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 PM** at Brookfield Christian Reformed Church. Brochures and information on registering can be found on the information center in the basement.

**Please put Wednesday, August 30 on your calendar!** We are going to have a special night of support for OH4F (Open Hands 4 The Fatherless) at

the Rock River Country Club. The night will begin at 6pm with a complimentary delicious dinner followed by an informative presentation on the amazing work accomplished by OH4F and information on how you can support their Christian School in Haiti. Please fill out an RSVP at [www.oh4f.org/support-us/meal-rsvp.cfm](http://www.oh4f.org/support-us/meal-rsvp.cfm) or call Mike and Bonnie Vander Berg at 324.0801. (This night is intended for adults only.)

**Calendar**

**Today:** 9:30 AM AM Worship Service @ 1<sup>st</sup> CRC  
 6:00 PM PM Worship Service @ 1<sup>st</sup> CRC  
**Monday:** 7:00 PM Congregational Meeting  
**Next Sunday:** 9:30 AM AM Worship Service @ 1<sup>st</sup> CRC  
 7:00 PM PM Combined Worship Service @ Bethel CRC

**Next Week**

**Accompanist**

Brenda Hofman

**Offering:** Local Budget

**July Cause:** Gideons

**Children & Worship**

**Leader:** Dominique Van Hill

**Sound System**

Joe Bresser

**Helpers:** Brandon Kitchner

Mikayla Zonnefeld

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Dan Montsma

Harm Venhuizen

**Fellowship Coffee**

Pete & Tabbie Vander Werff

**Greeters**

Gary, Katie & Aubryn De Jager

**Nursery**

Eric & Stacey Schaver

Josh Schouten

**Video Projection**

Mike Vander Berg

<u>Group</u>	<u>Elder</u>	<u>Deacon</u>
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

## Has Evolution Produced Anything of Practical Value?

Where wast thou when I laid the foundations of the earth? declare, if thou hast understanding. – Job 38:4



Dr. Don Batten is a plant scientist and creationist, and he is the author of countless books and articles as well as booklets on science topics that Creation Moments has distributed over the years. Recently we came across an interview where Dr. Batten was asked to respond to the claim being made by evolutionists that science would be impossible without evolution.

Listen closely to what he said: "I don't know anything of practical value in science that has come out of evolutionary thinking. In fact," he added, "evolutionary daydreaming has given rise to many dead ends." As an example, he mentioned "the inappropriate treatment of back pain – trying to make our backs more like those of our supposed ape ancestors – which," he added, "actually makes back problems worse."

But Dr. Batten wasn't finished: "Then there are the false notions that some organs are useless leftovers of evolution, or that DNA that we don't understand is 'junk'. Such ideas," he said, "impede scientific progress, as they influence scientists not to bother investigating their function."

He also mentioned the many frauds committed in the name of evolution – like Haeckel's embryo drawings, Piltdown Man and the feathered dinosaur Archaeoraptor. All of these and many more hoaxes have stood squarely in the way of scientific progress. So, young people, if you love science, do what Dr. Batten has done – become a creation scientist and accomplish great things!

Ref: "Harvesting Real Fruit," Busting Myths: 30 Ph.D. scientists who believe the Bible and its account of origins, edited by Jonathan Sarfati and Gary Bates, p. 64 (Creation Book Publishers, 2015). Photo: Don Batten, courtesy of Creation Ministries International. (Fair Use)

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