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 in the back sanctuary rack.

You are 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 Singing: Come, Christians, Join to Sing-G225 10, 000 Reasons-Binder 100

\*God's Greeting and We Greet One Another

We are Renewed in God's Grace Confession and Assurance

Congregational Prayer Offertory and Our Offerings: Denominational Ministry Shares

Children are dismissed for Walk Out Worship

God Speaks through His Word \*Scripture: Luke 10:25-37

Sermon: "What Must I Do?"

We Respond to God's Word

Song of Response: My Jesus, I Love Thee-G79

We Leave to Serve God

\*God's Parting Blessing \*Parting Song: Crown Him with Many Crowns-G45 vs.4

\*Postlude

Accompanist Lois Mulder

Children & Worship Leader: Kim Greenfield Helpers: Gretchen Hoekstra Jolie Schouten

Elder/Deacon Greeters Merle Schouten Joe Bresser

Fellowship Coffee Gregg & Kristi Zonnefeld

Greeters Jim & Lois Groenewold

**Nursery** Ben & Alyssa Homan Cassie Holden

Sound System Scott Ritzema

Transportation Louie Wierenga (219-8640) Percy De Vries (344-0109)

Ushers Keith Buwalda Noah Mulder Josh Schouten

Video Projection Lois Mulder

Missionary Letters Jon V. to Daryl Pfantz Keith V to Neen Tom V to Chaplain Peter =

\*Please pray especially for this missionary family this week

# 7:00 PM Combined Worship Service @ Bethel CRC

### Worship Notes

This morning we welcome AI Venhuizen as he leads us in worship.

**This evening** we will have a combined worship service at Bethel CRC starting at 7 PM.

# **Upcoming Special Service**

August 20	7:00 PM	Combined Service @ Bethel CRC
August 27	6:00 PM	Combined Service @ First CRC
September 3	6:00 PM	Combined Service @ First CRC

**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!

August cause: Elim Christian Services - Through its four major program areas on its main campus in Palos Heights, IL, and in 15 Discovery locations, over 300 servants work each day to bring 800 persons with disabilities beyond their potential to become the living testimonies God created them to be.

# Would all Team/Committee Chairs please get a list of members to Gladys within the next 2 weeks. Thank you!

Our Family

Birthdays Scott Ritzema August 25

<u>Anniversaries</u>	<u>August</u>
Norm & Angela Buwalda	20
Merle & Dorothy Schouten	25

**Pastor Craig** will be out of town until Monday, August 21. If you have a need during this time please contact your elder.

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



- Leann Johnson as she recently underwent a mastectomy and will be starting treatments.
- Arky Navis as he recovers from surgery.
- Brandon Kitchner as he heals from foot surgery and anticipates surgery on the other foot.
- Carlie Jansen as she continues to recover.
  - 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
- 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

In your mailboxes was a **sign-up sheet for the** *Vanishing Grace* churchwide Bible Study, for this October. We are aiming to have 65% of the congregation get involved. If you've never been in a group before, take advantage of this opportunity to grow together as a church. Please return to the return mailbox on the far wall in the narthex. Thank you!

We want to welcome Mackenzie Mulder as the new leader of our Children & Worship program, and thank Dominique Van Hill for her years of service in this capacity. There is a need for 3-4 more teachers for Children & Worship. Please let Mackenzie know if you are interested in this service opportunity in the lives of our kids.

All high school students: Come join us Wednesday, September 6th at Mitch and Becca Vree's house. As we enjoy some fellowship and a bonfire for this year's, Youth Group kick-off event! The get together will last from 7pm-9pm. Hope to see you there!

The fall season for our church education classes will begin on September 17th. Our educational program is for 4 year olds through high school. If your child turns 4 during the church year, they may join the pre-school class at that point. Parents are asked to make attendance in Sunday School and Catechism classes a priority, as these are important faith-growth opportunities in their spiritual lives.

Ask a friend or two to join at the retreat hosted by Bible League International Volunteers on **September 19 at the First Reformed Church in Waupun**, **Wisconsin.** Encourage your husbands, family and friends to come along with you for a great day! See a brochure/poster for more information or talk to your Key Contact, Arlene De Jager @ 920-344-1674. Our featured speaker Jennie Afman Dimkoff, serves on the boards of Cornerstone University and Grand Rapids Theological Seminary and is a gifted storyteller. New Generations, a group of high school students who want to glorify God through their gift of music, will be performing a mini-concert during the day for your enjoyment as well. There is only a few days left to register, so fill out your form and send it in today!. This is a retreat you won't want to miss! Deadline for registering is September 11, so don't wait!

**FREE** -- That's right you can get a free meal. **You are invited to ReNew** (formerly the Leadership Conference). Here you will not only get a free meal but also join in learning about how we, as the church, can grow together. With topics like finances, ministering to and with millenials, and encouraging spiritual questions you will find something to challenge you, encourage you, and give you information to make the church stronger. Sign up today at <u>www.marshviewministries.org</u> for the August 27 event.

#### Have you sent in your RSVP for the Wednesday, August 30 Benefit

**Dinner?** We are going to have a special night of support for <u>OH4F (Open Hands 4 The Fatherless) at the Rock River Country Club</u>. The night will begin at 6pm with a complimentary delicious dinner followed by an informative presentation on the amazing work God is doing through 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 or call Mike and Bonnie Vander Berg at 324.0801**. (This night is intended for adults only.)

#### Back to School Night / Convocation - Monday, August 21

A special night is being planned to start the 2017-18 school year--it's a night you won't want to miss. We invite all students, parents, and supporters of CWC. This night will be our convocation service for the new year, so check out what's happening on the 21st:

- 5:30 PM Classrooms open for kids to see their rooms
- 6:45 PM Convocation Worship Service in Crusader Centre -Praise and Prayer Time, Meet the Staff, Meet New Families, Meditation
- 7:30 PM Refreshments/Fellowship

**Save the Date!** A Night At Crusader Ballpark - Harvest Auction, is set for Saturday, September 23. Silent Auction begins at 3:30, dinner from 4-6, and live auction will begin at 6:30pm. Looking forward to a fantastic evening of fellowship!



<u>Mark your calendars</u>: the Christian Home Pie Social scheduled for Wednesday, August 23rd from 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM.

It is always a great time for all, so please **come and join us for good old fashioned fun, food,** 

fellowship and more here at the Christian Home with Homemade pie, ice cream, BBQ sandwiches, beverages, and a car show. What makes this event so special is the support of our churches-the Christian Home is always grateful for your support!

#### We need your help!

We will need each church to make 5-7 pies for the pie social (please no cream pies as it is usually very warm outside). Pies can be drop off at the Bly Street entrance. Thank you for your support to the Christian Home. So pass the word to your friends and families as we look forward to seeing you at this wonderful time together! A free will offering will be accepted which will go towards supporting the new chapel.

Have you ever felt the desire to be a part of something different? Have you ever felt God tugging you to step outside your comfort zone? We have an opportunity for you to do just that! **OH4F, Inc. will be leading a Vision Trip to Haiti January 19-24, 2018**. We ask you to prayerfully consider making a difference in the life of the children in Haiti by joining us on this trip. Deadline for registration is September 25, 2017. For information on registering please contact us at gladys@oh4f.org

We are looking for a few golfers to join us for Bethany's 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual "Swing Fore Kids". Your choice – golf 100 holes or traditional 18 holes. Grab your clubs and join us for a great cause! Event is on September 15, 2017. Money raised supports Bethany's vision where all children live in a loving, forever family. "Swing Fore Kids" event helps raise awareness and needed bunding to support Bethany's specialized programs and services. For detail and to register visit: https://www.bethany.org/waukesha/Events

# <u>Calendar</u>

Today:	9:30 AM	AM Worship Service
	7:00 PM	PM Combined Worship Service @
		Bethel CRC
Tuesday:	8:00 AM	Prayer Meeting
Next Sunday:	9:30 AM	AM Worship Service
-	6:00 PM	PM Combined Worship Service @ 1st
		CRC

# Next Week

Accompanist Laura Ten Pass

Children & Worship

Leader: Becca Vree Helpers: Marissa Jansma Arent Venhuizen

Elder/Deacon Greeters Al Venhuizen Brian O'Donovan

Fellowship Coffee Michael & Danielle Jansma

#### Greeters

Dick & Barb Heeringa

#### **Musical Praise**

Elaine Homan

#### Nursery

Dominique Van Hill Michelle Mulder Megan Greenfield

Offering: Classical Ministry Shares August Cause: ELIM

Prayer

Ken Homan

Sound System Pete Vander Werff

Transportation Louie Wierenga (324-3683) Percy De Vries (324-4678)

**Ushers** Keith Buwalda Noah Mulder Josh Schouten

Video Projection Mike Vander Berg

Group	Elder	Deacon
1	Don Pausma	Jon Venhuizen
2	Merle Schouten	Joe Bresser
3	Bob Mulder	
4	Scott Ritzema	Eric Homan
5	Norm Buwalda	Ben Mulder
6	Tom Jonker	Randall Greenfield
7	Steve Homan	
8	Al Venhuizen	Brian O'Donovan



# Make Noise, Not War



So that the people could not discern the noise of the shout of joy from the noise of the weeping of the people: for the people shouted with a loud shout, and the noise was heard afar off. – Ezra 3:13

Would you like to guess what howler monkeys are especially good at? That's right – they howl. Or perhaps it is better to say, they shout. According to the Guinness Book of World Records, their shouts can be heard clearly up to three miles away,

making them the loudest land animal on record.

Now, why did God give them this ability to shout so loudly to other howler monkeys? Howlers live in groups of about 20 individuals. And since they would rather make noise than war, when one group of monkeys is about to encroach upon the territory of a different group, the monkeys make their presence known by howling. This enables them to avoid violent confrontations.

Males are a great deal louder than females. That's because they have a hollow bone near their vocal cords – the hyoid – which amplifies the sound by acting like the body of a drum. And according to the book 1000 Wonders of Nature, males also have a thick neck and drooping double chin that "acts as a resonating chamber to amplify the sound."

God wants His people to raise our voices, too, but with songs of praise. As our Creator and Savior, He alone is worthy of our praise. But He also wants us to use our voices to present the gospel to unbelievers so that they, too, might trust in Jesus for the forgiveness of their sins.

Ref: "The long-distance call of the howler monkey," 1000 Wonders of Nature, p. 204 (Reader's Digest, London). Photo: Male howler monkey. © Leonardo C. Fleck. (CC BY-SA 3.0)

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