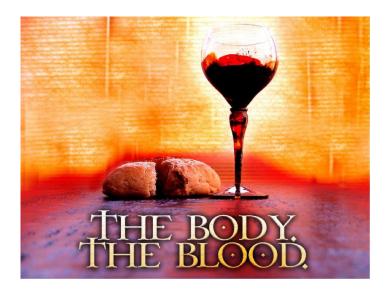
# Welcome to First Christian Reformed Church



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 the church office (324-2898).

**Large-print bulletins** and **children's bulletins** are available from an usher or in the rack at the back of the sanctuary.

You can listen to sermons from our website as well as view the bulletin. Website address is www.waupuncrc.com

**Vision Statement:** With the help and presence of our living Lord, we seek to energize and transform lives and maintain the essence of the historic Reformed faith in our worship, service, and fellowship; and to pass on our faith to others.

Church Office Hours
Tuesday from 9:00–11:30 AM
All announcements due in the office by 12:00 noon Thursday
Phone: 920-324-2898 email: waupuncrc@gmail.com
Pastor Harv: 616-402-1342

# 9:30 AM Worship Service (\*Please stand if you are able)

# We Gather In Worship

\*Call to Worship

\*Songs of Praise:

"Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

"Jesus Messiah"

"There is None Like You"

"Living Hope"

\*God Greets Us and We Greet Each Other

#### We Reflect on God's Love

Communion Celebration Congregational Prayer Offering

(Children are dismissed for Walk Out Worship)

# We Receive God's Words

\*Scripture: Matthew 18:15-20

Sermon: "The Healing Power of Holiness"

# We Respond in Thankfulness

\*Song of Response: "Make Me a Channel of Your Peace"

# We Depart to Serve

\*Blessing

\*Closing Song: "Salvation Belongs to Our God"

\*Postlude

#### Accompanist

Lois Mulder

#### Children & Worship

**Leader:** Jessica Ten Pass Miranda Vander Berg Ethan Schulz

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

Joe Durant Jon Mulder

#### **Fellowship Coffee**

Pete & Tabbie Vander Werff

#### Greeters

Jason & Cara Schmitt

#### Nursery

Amanda Buteyn Jessica Ten Pass Jenna Schouten

#### Sound System

Tyler Ten Pass

#### **Transportation**

Bob Mulder (382-0926)

#### Ushers

Will Bronkhorst Ray Hofman Al Holden

#### **Video Projection**

Lois Mulder

#### **Missionary Letters**

Dewey Pausma to Daryl Pfantz+ Don Pausma to Neen D Rens to Chaplain Pete

\*Please pray especially for this missionary family this week

#### 6:00 PM Worship Service

#### Prelude

- \*Call to Worship
- \*God's Greeting

Opening Songs

Prayers of the People

We Study God's Word: Psalm 127: "God Calls Us to Follow His Agenda"

\*Song of Response: "Lead Me, Guide Me"

\*Affirmation of our Faith: Apostle's Creed

\*Benediction

\*Closing Song: "He is Lord"

#### **Worship Notes**

**This morning** Pastor Harv will be leading worship as we look at Matthew 18. This evening we will study Psalm 127.

The council is looking for church members to be on a committee to plan and organize two Sunday evening worship services or events per month. Please contact Steve Homan or Gary De Jager if you are willing to help.

#### **Upcoming Special Services**

9/8/2019 6:00 PM Worship at First CRC 9/22/2019 6:00 PM Worship at First CRC

## **Deacons Report**

All loose cash offerings will go to the month's special offering, while any loose and undesignated checks will go to the local budget.

## Last Week's Offerings

Local Budget: \$4,855 Mission Backpack: \$100

**CWCS**: \$163

September Cause is CWCS.

#### **Our Family**

Please remember to contact your Elder for any concerns that arise. The Elders and Deacons by Care Group are listed in the bulletin.

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Andy Schlieve	8	Rynn Aalsma	10

#### September Anniversaries

Pete & Kristin Hofman	8
John & Arlene De Jager	9
Charles & Lori Kitchner	10
Jason & Jenni Morgan	13

#### As you pray this week, please remember these people:

- Janet Ver Hage as she continues to undergo chemo treatment.
- Carlie Jansen, that she continues to do well.
- Laura Ten Pass as she continues with cancer treatments.
- Leanne Johnson, continue to pray for healing.
- Paul Vande Kolk as he has been diagnosed with lung 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
- Wilma Navis
- Jeanette Tjepkema

#### **Church News**

Please check the **kitchen counter for returned containers and bowls**. Any items left after TODAY will be brought to Bargains.

Sunday School will start next week, September 15.

**PRAYER:** We have prayer groups praying through the transition process at First CRC and we want to invite the entire church specifically into prayer with us. This week we ask you to pray for the transition team and the council in the process of rethinking the vision of First CRC. We ask that you pray that we will all be led by the Holy Spirit as we seek to discern God's will. We will keep you updated on the progress. We also invite all to attend the Tuesday AM prayer time at 8:00 at the church or the Sunday morning prayer time in the church basement at 8:45. Thank you for your prayers.

**YOUTH GROUP KICK OFF NIGHT!!!** We are excited to kick off our youth group school year! This is open to all high school students. Mark your calendars for a cookout on Wednesday, Sept 18, at 6:30 PM at Bryant and Elizabeth Greenfield's house, 519 S. Grove Street in Waupun. Please come with \$20 to pay for food throughout the year. Thanks, and we look forward to seeing you all there!

— YOUTH GROUP LEADERS

**VOLUNTEER REQUEST**: In January, the High School Youth Group will be attending the annual Winter Retreat in Rhinelander. Dates for this would be leaving Waupun on Thursday night, Jan 9, and returning that Sunday afternoon, Jan 12. We are looking for cabin leaders. If this is something you are interested in or have any questions on what exactly Winter Retreat is, please let a youth group leader know or call Bryant Greenfield at 920-948-5050. Thank you!!!

**Calling First CRC Ladies:** We will be starting a new Bible Study on Monday, September 30. We are going to be studying *The Armor of God* by Priscilla Shirer. A brief summary of the Bible Study and additional information was put in your mailbox. We plan on meeting on Monday nights and would love to have more people join us. Please sign up by September 15 in the basement so we can get the books ordered!

Another school year has started and with that an exciting year of **SWaT** is underway as well. We invite all middle school 6<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grade students to join us this week <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>September 11</u>, at <u>Bethel CRC from 6:00-8:00 PM</u> for a smore & hotdog roast. Please bring a lawn chair if you want to sit around the fire pit. If the weather is rainy, we'll move the festivities indoors. New this year, we are asking all parents with kids participating in a youth ministry program such as SWaT, GEMS or Cadets, to fill out a *Parental Consent* form as well as their children to read and sign a *Youth Ministry Behavior Guidelines* form. If you have not received a yellow form in your church mailbox, please let us know. Feel free to turn those in to us on Wednesday evening. Looking forward to another fun-filled year! See you Wednesday night!

#### **Community News**

**GEMS Club** is looking for new or gently used girls/kids/teens devotionals and/or Bibles to give girls that are in need of something to learn more about God in their homes. If you have some to spare, or would like to donate in this way, please call or text Annie Syens for pick-up at 318-2289. Thank you so much for your help!

#### Save the Date!

The Roaring 20s—Harvest Auction, is set for Saturday, September 14. Silent Auction begins at 3:30, dinner from 4-6, and live auction will begin at 6:30 PM. Looking forward to a fantastic evening of fellowship!

Brandon Bethel Reformed Church Youth Group is having a soup supper and cake auction on Wednesday, October 2, serving from 4:30-7:00 PM. The cake auction begins at 6:00 PM. There will be a freewill offering.

Paul's Missionary Journeys In Greece (April 2-14, 2020): Travel by motor coach (8 days) and cruise ship (3 days) to sites connected with Paul's 2nd and 3rd missionary journeys, as well as visit other major sites of Biblical, archaeological, and cultural interest. Jeff Weima, Professor at Calvin

Theological Seminary and leading Pauline scholar, hosts this inspirational tour. For more information, visit www.jeffreyweima.com or contact Dr. Weima at 616-328-3110 or weimje@calvinseminary.edu

Help People Recover from Hurricane Dorian - The Bahamas were ravaged by Hurricane Dorian last week, and the full extent of the damage is unknown. You can help by making a financial donation to World Renew Disaster Response Services. Your gift will help the people of the Bahamas, as well as those on the U.S. East Coast, in the early days and in long-term response. Please give generously at worldrenew.net/donate, by calling 800-552-7972, or by mailing your check, made out to World Renew, with "DRS Hurricane Dorian" in the memo line, to: World Renew, 1700 28th St., SE, Grand Rapids, MI 49508. Thank you!

#### <u>Calendar</u>

**Today:** 8:45 AM Prayer Meeting in church basement

6:00 PM PM Worship Service

Tuesday:8:00 AMPrayer MeetingWednesday:6:30 PMElders MeetingThursday:6:30 PMCouncil Meeting

**Sunday:** 8:45 AM Prayer Meeting in church basement

9:30 AM AM Worship Service @ First CRC

6:00 PM PM film

#### **Next Week**

Accompanist
Brenda Hofman

Children & Worship

Leader: Mackenzie Mulder

Elise Ritzema Arent Venhuizen

**Elder/Deacon Greeters** 

Steve Homan Keith Venhuizen

Fellowship Coffee

Michael & Danielle Jansma

**Greeters** 

Merle & Dorothy Schouten

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Jen Ritzema Sue Buwalda Emma Hofman

Offering: Local Budget September Cause: CWCS

Sound System

Glen Greenfield

**Ushers** 

Will Bronkhorst Ray Hofman Al Holden

Video Projection

Beth Schlieve

Group	<u>Elder</u>	<u>Deacon</u>
1	Joe Durant (2022)	Jon Mulder (2021)
2	Merle Schouten (2020)	Joe Bresser (2020)
3	Keith Venhuizen (2022)	
4	Gary De Jager (2021)	Brian Van Herwaarden (2022)
5	Dan Montsma (2022)	Eric Schaver (2022)
6	Tom Jonker (2020)	Randall Greenfield (2020)
7	Steve Homan (2020)	
8	Kevin Buwalda (2021)	Andy Schlieve (2021)

# **Worship Notes**

Proclaiming Evidence for Truth

# THIS WEEK'S CREATION MOMENT

#### Did Paul Get It Wrong?



The first man is of the earth, earthy: the second man is the Lord from heaven. (1 Corinthians 15:47)

A large proportion of Paul's teaching seems to be predicated on the literal truth of the early chapters of Genesis.

In Romans 5, Paul draws a parallel between Adam and Jesus. He writes: "Sin came into the world

through one man, and death through sin, and so death spread to all men because all sinned" (Romans 5:12). Romans 5 makes clear that Jesus came to destroy sin and death, showing that both of these came into the world through Adam. The link made is so strong that it is clear that the fact of Adam's existence is being assumed by Paul.

Peter Enns of BioLogos admits that Paul assumed the historicity of Adam. He says that he would expect nothing less of Paul, who was an ancient man writing to ancient people. He even goes on to say that it is okay that Paul got this wrong.

Paul returned to this same theme in 1 Corinthians 15:47, stating that "the first man was from the earth, a man of dust; the second man is from heaven." And in 1 Timothy 2:13, he states that both Adam and Eve were created by God.

There is a serious theological problem if the Apostle Paul could have been mistaken about the historicity of Adam when he was writing his scriptural epistles under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit. Paul could not have got this wrong because to believe that undermines all the rest of his teaching.

Ref: Taylor, P.F. (2011), Does the "New Perspective on Paul" Undermine a Historical Adam, < https://answersingenesis.org/bible-characters/adam-and-eve/does-the-new-perspective-on-paul-undermine-a-historical-adam/ >, accessed 8/27/2018. Image: Raphael, St.. Paul Preaching in Athens (1515), Public Domain image.

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