First Christian Reformed Church



We welcome our guests and hope that you will be blessed by worshiping the Lord together with us today. If you are presently seeking a church home, we welcome you to join us here at First CRC! You will find a guest card in your pew. Please fill one out and place it in the offering bag during the service so we can reach out to you. If you would like further information about our church, please visit us at www.waupuncrc.com or call (920-324-2898) or email the church office (waupuncrc@gmail.com). Pastor Greg Schuringa would be happy to connect with you after the service or during the week as well: pastorgreg@waupuncrc.com.

Large-print bulletins and children's bulletins are available from an usher.

You can watch our services live on YouTube (First CRC Waupun) and later from our website as well as view the bulletin there. Website address is www.waupuncrc.com

Our Core Values: We show Christ's love through continual learning and discipleship, compassionate fellowship, dynamic public worship, and impactful service and outreach.



Office hours: Thursdays, 10 AM to 2 PM All announcements are due in the office by noon Thursday Phone: 920-324-2898 email: <u>waupuncrc@gmail.com</u> PO Box 32, Waupun

9:30 AM Worship Service * Please stand if you are able. Prelude Welcome and Announcements *God's Greeting *Song of Praise: "God Himself Is with Us" G244 Confession of Faith Assurance of Pardon *Songs of Dedication: "I Will Delight" "He Will Hold Me Fast" "Christ Our Hope in Life and Death" Baby Bottle Drive Outreach Congregational Prayer Offering: Local Budget and the Faith Promise Fund Children ages 3-6 are invited to children's worship Song of Worship: "Blessed Jesus, at Your Word" G280 *Scripture Reading: 2 Corinthians 11:16-33 Message: "2 Corinthians #17—Is Your Christian Life the Real Deal?" Prayer *Song of Response: "When Peace Like a River" G489:1, 2, 4 *Benediction *Doxology: "Salvation Belongs to Our God" *Postlude

Taking part in worship today:

- Sermon and Worship Leader: Pastor Greg Schuringa
- Accompanist: Laura Ten Pass
- Worship Team: Pastor Greg; Laura Ten Pass (piano); Nikki Durni (acoustic guitar and vocals); Kevin Buwalda, Michelle Mulder, Cara Schmitt (vocalists)
- Media Team: Joe Bresser, Cody Van Herwaarden, Scott Ritzema
- Coffee: Al and LeAnne Holden

- Children's Worship: Emily Mulder, Jenna Schouten, Jonah Mulder
- Nursery: Beth Schlieve, Jenna Mulder, Kolten Buwalda
- Transportation: Bob Mulder
- Ushers: Ryer Greenfield, Andy Schlieve

Missionary Letters

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Giving to First CRC

If you feel led to give to our church's ministry, please place your donation in the offering bags passed by the deacons during the service. All loose cash offerings will go to the Faith Promise Fund the first Sunday and the month's special offering the remaining Sundays (Heartbeat International for January), while any loose



and undesignated checks will go to the local budget. Budget envelopes will go to the designated funds. On-line giving is also available, just scan the QR code here. Please talk to a deacon if you want more information about giving to First CRC.

Update on the Church Parking Lot Resurfacing Project: \$69,758 (87%) raised of the estimated \$80,000.

Please note that the monthly financial giving report for December will be provided at the end of January as the Deacons will verify all donations for 2023 have been received.

Our Family

As you pray this week, please remember the following:

- Kathy Kamphuis, Laura Ten Pass, cancer treatments.
- Elise Ritzema, healing after foot surgery.
- Louis Wierenga, open-heart surgery on Tuesday.

Church News

Upcoming Worship Highlights

• February 11—Lord's Supper in Worship.

Public Profession of Faith. If you have interest in making public profession of your faith, please reach out to Scott Ritzema in the near future to talk about next steps and what that might look like. Thank you!

Life Group Event TODAY at 5:30 at church. Check with your leaders about what you are to bring!

Our church will once again be partnering with the Dodge County Pregnancy Center by taking part in their annual Baby Bottle fundraiser. Today we will be handing out Baby Bottles that families can take home and fill up with their change, cash or even a check (made out to our church). The Bottles will be collected on Sunday, January 28. All money will go to the Dodge County Pregnancy Center to support their life saving ministry. As a church, we decided on these dates to remember the National Sanctity of Life Sunday which is January 21. The Baby Bottle campaign is a great way for families to come together around an important cause. If are not able to pick up a bottle but want to give a donation, you can put your money in an envelope and give it to Mike or Bonnie Vander Berg.

Sign Up to Pray for WIEA! The Wisconsin Inmate Education Association, which sponsors and supports the college degree program (offering a B.A. in Biblical Studies and a minor Psychology) in the Fox Lake Correctional Institution has a goal to bathe the program, its teachers, staff and students with prayer every day of 2024. First CRC wants to be part of this prayer opportunity as a church that supports WIEA and with Sarah Schuringa serving as part-time Program Assistant in the program. Please consider committing to a day from February 5–February 11. A sign-up sheet is available in the narthex for you to register for this special prayer opportunity. Thank you!!

Do you enjoy taking pictures? Are you a photographer at heart? We are looking for someone to take pictures for the church website. If this sounds like something you may be interested in, please talk to Lois Mulder or Mike Vander Berg.

Another year of ringing the bells for the Salvation Army is done. When I started this year, I thought we would have \$2,000 to \$3,000 less. One group never replied, some churches who used to cover two days went to one day. Of the 40 spots available, only 23 were covered. In the end, we raised \$12,346.19, only \$324 less than last year. I am looking for someone to help me, to learn from me, because I would like to hand this over to someone else in 2-3 years. If you are interested, please contact me at 920-346-5236 (call or text) or email ddnavis@gmail.com. Thank you all for ringing the bells. - Darryl Navis, Red Kettle Coordinator

Community News

The next ONE Waupun Connections Breakfast is on Saturday, January 20, at 7:30 AM. Come join us for some great food and fellowship!

Register for the ONE Waupun Men's Conference today! Our theme this year is "Living in the Deep End of the Pool of Grace" and will feature messages from John Lynch, speaker & author from Phoenix, AZ, and Aaron Baart, Chief of Staff & Dean of Chapel at Dordt University from Sioux Center, IA. Mitchell Olthoff from Edgewood Community Church will lead us in praise and worship. Between praise & worship, fellowship and small group discussion, your spirit will be renewed and refreshed. This free conference will take place on Saturday, March 2, from 8:30–3:30. Register

early at www.onewaupun.com and receive a free book authored by John Lynch.

Please Join Us In A Prayer Service For The Unborn

SUPPORT THE PRO-LIFE MOVEMENT AS WE JOIN TOGETHER IN PRAYER

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LOCATION AND TIME: HOLY FAMILY CHURCH 271 FOURTH ST WAY, FOND DU LAC JANUARY 21ST 2:30 PM - 3:30 PM



<u>Calendar</u>

Today:	9:30 AM	Worship Service
	10:45 AM	Sunday School/Catechism
	5:30 PM	Life Group Event in the Lower Level
Wednesday:	9:00 AM	Coffee Break at Bethel CRC
	5:00 PM	Worship Team Practice in the Sanctuary
	5:00 PM	Deacons Meeting
	6:30 PM	Council Meeting in the Upper Room
	6:30 PM	Cadets Meeting at the Union
	6:30 PM	GEMS Club – Neon Night at Bethel CRC
	7:00 PM	Youth Group, 10:24 small groups at the Union
Sunday:	8:30 AM	11 th /12 th Catechism
	9:30 AM	Worship Service
	10:45 AM	Sunday School/Catechism

Next Week

Accompanist Brenda Hofman

Coffee Steve and Heidi Smits

Children's Worship

Kim Greenfield, Kolten Buwalda, Levi Holbach

Nursery Jen Ritzema, Andrea Buwalda, Olivia Vander Werff Livestream Gladys Montsma

PPT Beth Schlieve

Sound System Tyler Ten Pass

Transportation

Bob Mulder

Ushers

Tom Jonker, Ben Mulder

Care Group	Elder	Deacon
1	Keith Buwalda (2025)	Todd Schouten (2024)
2	Brian O'Donovan (2026)	Tyler Jansen (2025)
3	Bob Mulder (2025)	Todd Schouten (2024)
4	George Aalsma (2024)	Mitch Vree (2025)
5	Dan Scheuers (2025)	Tyler Ten Pass (2024)
6	Al Venhuizen (2026)	Mike Hoffman (2026)
7	Brad Schouten (2026)	Kirk Van Buren (2026)
8	Ray Hofman (2024)	Tyler Ten Pass (2024)

Will Delight

Verse: I will delight in the law of the Lord - I will meditate day and night Then like a tree firmly planted I'll be - Grounded in Your Word

Chorus: Blessed is the one who follows

The way of the Lord - Blessed is the one

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He Will Hold Me Fast

Verse 1: When I fear my faith will fail - Christ will hold me fast When the tempter would prevail - He will hold me fast I could never keep my hold - Through life's fearful path For my love is often cold - He must hold me fast

Chorus: He will hold me fast - He will hold me fast

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For my Savior loves me so - He will hold me fast

Verse 2: Those He saves are His delight - Christ will hold me fast Precious in His holy sight - He will hold me fast He'll not let my soul be lost - His Promises shall last Bought by Him at such a cost - He will hold me fast

Verse 3: For my life He bled and died - Christ will hold me fast Justice has been satisfied - He will hold me fast Raised with Him to endless life - He will hold me fast Till our faith is turned to sight - When He comes at last

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Christ Our Hope In Life And Death

Verse 1: What is our hope in life and death - Christ alone Christ alone What is our only confidence - That our souls to Him belong Who holds our days within His hand - What comes apart from His command And what will keep us to the end - The love of Christ in which we stand

Chorus: O sing hallelujah - Our hope springs eternal O sing hallelujah - Now and ever we confess Christ our hope in life and death

Verse 2: What truth can calm the troubled soul - God is good, God is good Where is His grace and goodness known - In our great Redeemer's blood Who holds our faith when fears arise - Who stands above the stormy trial Who sends the waves that bring us nigh - Unto the shore the rock of Christ

Verse 3: Unto the grave what will we sing - Christ He lives Christ He lives And what reward will heaven bring - Everlasting life with Him There we will rise to meet the Lord - Then sin and death will be destroyed And we will feast in endless joy - When Christ is ours forevermore

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Salvation Belongs To Our God

Verse 1: Salvation belongs to our God - Who sits upon the throne And unto the Lamb - Praise and glory wisdom and thanks Honour and power and strength **Chorus:** Be to our God forever and ever Be to our God forever and ever - Be to our God forever and ever - Amen

Verse 2: And we the redeemed shall be strong - In purpose and unity Declaring aloud - Praise and glory wisdom and thanks Honour and power and strength

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Sermon Notes