

First Christian Reformed Church



Who We Are

Welcome to First CRC! We're glad you're here to worship with us today! By God's grace, we're a family of believers that has been gathering to worship God and serve others for some 100 years. We were established out of nearby Alto CRC, in 1921, and later in 1961, Bethel CRC in Waupun, started from members of First.

At First CRC, in Sunday worship and during the week, you'll find many historic and biblical practices of the Christian faith. Our leadership, elders and deacons and pastor, seek to keep these vibrant and relevant to Christians living in today's world.

Child Care and Student Ministries on Sunday Mornings

During worship, we have nursery care for children ages 0-2, and Children's Worship for children ages 3 through 4K. Children's Worship kids are dismissed halfway through the worship service. After worship parents should pick up their children on the upper level where these ministries take place. If you need to take a child out of the worship service for a bit, you may go to our Lower Level where there are two couches and a nearby bathroom. By the couches a TV is playing the service live.

Sunday School and Catechism classes for K – 12th graders meet after the morning worship service.

What We Believe

We subscribe to the historic Christian faith; the Bible is our final authority in faith and life; we also look by grace through faith alone to Christ alone for our salvation. For more details about what we believe and how we live out the faith, please visit our website (waupunrc.com) or our denomination's website (crcna.org).

Our worship services are broadcast on our YouTube channel. Regular, large-print, and children's bulletins are available from an usher. Contact Lois Mulder in the office (waupunrc@gmail.com) or Pastor Greg Schuringa (pastorgreg@waupunrc.com) for anything else related to First CRC, including membership, our ministries, as well as what we believe and practice. Please join us for coffee and conversation near our main entrance each Sunday before and after worship.

9:30 AM Worship Service

* Please stand if you are able.

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Opening Prayer

*God's Greeting

*Songs of Worship: "Come, Now is the Time to Worship"

"Have Mercy On Me" "Teach Me Your Ways"

God's Will for Our Lives: Exodus 20:1-17

Congregational Prayer

Offerings for the Local Budget and The Gideons

Song of Preparation: "Out of the Depths" G256

Children ages 3 through 4K are invited to Children's Worship

*Scripture Reading: Zechariah 5

Message: "Zechariah #6: Do You See What I See? Banishing Sin as a Means of Grace"

Prayer

*Song of Response: "Lift High the Cross" G373:1, 3-5, 7

*Benediction

*Doxology: "Step By Step"

*Postlude

Taking part in worship today:

- Worship Leader and Sermon:
Pastor Greg Schuringa
- Accompanist: Brenda Hofman
- Worship Team: Pastor Greg;
Brenda Hofman (piano); Hanna
Marra (percussion); Rachel
Hoffman, Abby Vree (vocalists)
- Coffee: George and Karen Aalsma
- Media Team: Cayden Ruis, Lois
Mulder, Rachel Hoffman
- Children's Worship: Casey Homan,
Levi Holbach

- Nursery: Emily Mulder, Becca Vree,
Rynn Aalsma
- Transportation: Bob Mulder
- Ushers: Ben and Jonah Mulder

Missionary Letters

K Ten Pas to Neen/Angel

B Ten Pass to Chaplain Pete*

*Pray especially for this
missionary family this week.

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 of the month and the month's special offering the remaining Sundays (The Gideons for October), while any loose and undesignated checks will go to the local budget. Budget envelopes will go to the designated funds. Online 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.



Our Family

As you pray this week, please remember the following:

- **Norm Jansma**, one more chemotherapy treatment.
- **Peter Montsma**, in hospice care.
- **Lois Pausma's** grandson Clay, was in a serious car accident and is being treated in Madison.
- **Ken Ten Pas**, recovery after surgery.
- **Nancy Wierenga**, some pain better, but a 6- to 9-month recovery from surgery..
- **Gregg Zonnefeld**, chemotherapy treatments.

We are so thankful for Pastor Greg and his family and would like to honor them for their leadership and care. Please reserve Sunday, October 19 for an all-church potluck in the commons of CWC beginning at noon. We would invite you to bring a dish to pass, your own place service and drinks. Decaf coffee will be available and a cake of appreciation will be provided.

Church News

Upcoming Worship Highlights

- October 26—Guest Pastor Dr. Tim Vanden Langenberg, chaplain at Dodge Correctional
- November 2—Remembering the Persecuted Church
- November 26, Wednesday, 6:30 PM – Thanksgiving Worship Service

The First CRC Council is looking for a new **Disbursing Treasurer** after Keren Derksen plans to retire from this position in June 2026 after many years of faithful service. The part-time job requires approximately 10 hours of work *per month*. Keren is willing to do on-the-job training until the new Disbursing Treasurer is comfortable with the responsibilities of the position. Ideally, we'll have someone starting to learn by Spring of 2026, some months before Keren retires. Please contact any elder or deacon on Executive if you have interest or know someone who may be interested as

Council gathers names. Executive Committee members are Al Venhuizen (Chair), Mike Vander Berg (Vice Chair), Steve Homan (Clerk), Kirk Van Buren (Deacon Chair), and Adam Franken (Deacon Secretary).

It is the last week to order from the GEMS Tastefully Simple fundraiser!

Orders are due by the end of day Wednesday, October 15. This is our only fundraiser and helps offset the cost of community girls. If you order online through the GEMS party, please let Annie Syens know so that we can give our club the credit. Catalogs are in the fellowship area! If you would like to donate and aren't interested in the product, please put donations in the GEMS Church mailbox or venmo @gemsclubwaupun. Please call/text/email Annie with any questions 318-2289 or anniesyens@yahoo.com. Thank you!!

Church-Wide Service Project: Our church is planning to prepare and serve meals at the Community Table a few times a year. While the Outreach Committee is coordinating the effort, this is truly a church-wide project—as we'll be serving a meal to 80–100 members of our community. Our next opportunity is scheduled for **Friday, October 24**. Please watch for a Sign-Up Genius link coming soon, or feel free to talk with Gladys or Bonnie if you have any questions. Recipes will be available in the foyer. Thank you for your willingness to serve!

Community News

Connections Breakfast – Men's Gathering: Mark your calendar for the next **ONE Waupun Men's Breakfast** on **Saturday, October 18, at 7:30 AM**, held at **Main Street Bistro**. If you haven't joined us before, this is the perfect chance to start your morning with a delicious breakfast, meaningful fellowship, and a powerful message. We'll be finished by **8:30 AM**, so you'll still have plenty of time to take on the rest of your day. **Bring a friend — all are welcome!**

CWC Servathon – October 31 - On Friday, October 31, from 8:15–11:30 AM, students from Central Wisconsin Christian will be serving the community through their annual Servathon. They're available to help with yard work projects like raking, trimming trees, and cutting down bushes. If you'd like assistance or know someone who could benefit, please contact Jordan Vander Werff at 26jvanderwerff@wearecwc.org or 920-579-7766. You may also reach the CWC office at office@wearecwc.org. Requests for specific students are welcome!

The Pregnancy Support Center of Dodge County and Benvenuto's Italian Restaurant in Beaver Dam are planning an Autumn Event on Monday, October 13, from 11 AM to 10 PM. A lovely way to enjoy a fall day. Sit down, relax, order in or out. Enjoy a tasty meal with family and friends.

Mention the PSCDC and Benevenuto's will donate 20% of your purchase to PSCDC.

Middle School Fall Concert: Join us for an evening of music as our Middle School students share their gifts to glorify God! Monday, October 20, at 6:30 PM, Central Wisconsin Christian – Crusader Centre. Come and be encouraged as our students lift their voices and instruments in praise to the One who gives us every reason to sing.

Randolph Christian School Pie Sale is underway! We are making 3,500 apple pies this fall for our annual fundraiser. Each pie is filled with fresh Wisconsin apples and topped with our famous buttery crumb topping - just \$14 each. To order pies, go through an RCS family or call the school office 920-326-3320. Consider joining us on October 22 to help make them - every pair of hands is a blessing!

High School Fall Concert: You're invited to our High School Fall Concert, an evening of music and worship presented by our talented students.

Tuesday, October 28 at 6:30 PM, Central Wisconsin Christian – Crusader Centre. Experience an inspiring night of worship and music featuring our high school choirs and band.

Bethel CRC (410 S. West St, Waupun) will be having a Hymn Sing on Sunday, November 2, at 5:30 PM. You are welcome to join in on a night of singing some classic hymns of the faith.

Join us for the 14th Annual Beautiful Response Chili Supper on Tuesday, November 4, from 4:30 to 7:00 PM at Bethel CRC! Come enjoy delicious chili and fellowship while supporting Beautiful Response in its mission to provide hope, education, food, shelter, and medical care to vulnerable and orphaned children through Raising Up Hope for Uganda (RUHU). Thank you for making this event a success over the past 13 years! The chili supper is sponsored by the CWC Boys' Soccer program, and all funds raised will support RUHU's important work. THANK YOU for your faithful and generous support!

Do you love working with kids and want to make a difference this fall? Randolph Christian School is looking for a friendly, caring Elementary Teacher's Assistant to join our team Tuesdays–Thursdays, 8:00 AM–12:30 PM. This paid position runs from October 28–December 23. If you're looking for a way to serve, bless others, and earn some extra holiday cash, we'd love to hear from you! Call us at **920-326-3320** or email **Laura Westra** at **lwestra@randolphchristian.org**.

Calendar

Today: 9:30 AM Worship Service
10:45 AM Sunday School and Catechism
4:27 PM Youth Group – How to Read the Bible

Tuesday 6:30 PM Men's Bible Study (Lower Level)

Wednesday: 1:00 PM Women's Bible Study – Lesson 6
6:30 PM GEMS - Tastefully Simple Orders Due

Sunday: 9:30 AM Worship Service

Next Week

Accompanist

Lois Mulder

Livestream

Mike Vander Berg

Coffee

Steve and Heidi Smits

PPT

Jake Vander Werff

Children's Worship

Grace Bruins, Kase Buwalda

Sound System

Joe Bresser

Nursery

Hollie Ganz, Emily Aalsma, Jenna Schouten

Transportation

Bob Mulder

Ushers

Tom Jonker, Owen Mulder

Care Group	Elder	Deacon
1	Ken Homan (2028)	Adam Franken (2027)
2	Brian O'Donovan (2026)	Cayden Ruis (2028)
3	Joe Durant (2028)	Mike Hoffman (2026)
4	Mike Vander Berg (2027)	Eric Schaver (2028)
5	Steve Homan (2028)	Andy Schlieve (2027)
6	Al Venhuizen (2026)	Mike Hoffman (2026)
7	Brad Schouten (2026)	Kirk Van Buren (2026)
8	Darrall Schaver (2027)	Andy Schlieve (2027)

Office hours: Thursdays, 10 AM to 2 PM

All announcements are due in the office by noon Thursday

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Come, Now is the Time to Worship

Chorus: Come, now is the time to worship - Come, now is the time to give
your heart - Come, just as you are to worship
Come, just as you are before your God - Come

Verse 1: One day every tongue - Will confess You are God
One day every knee will bow - Still the greatest treasure remains
For those who gladly choose You now

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Have Mercy On Me

Verse 1: Lamb of God, You take away - The sin of the world
Lamb of God You take away - The sin of the world

Chorus: Lord, have mercy - Christ, have mercy - Lord, have mercy on me
Lord, have mercy - Christ, have mercy - (Lord) Have mercy on me

Verse 2: Lamb of God, I'm asking You - To take away my sin
I confess that I've done wrong - I need Your help again

Verse 3: The precious blood of Jesus Christ - Cleanses me from sin
The precious blood of Jesus Christ - Cleanses me from sin

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Teach Us Your Ways

Verse 1: Teach us Your ways, teach us Your ways - As we learn from one
another - Learn to love each other - Teach us Your ways

Verse 2: Teach us to give, teach us to give - Give ourselves for one another
Learn to love each other - Teach us to give

Verse 3: Teach us to weep, teach us to weep - Let us weep with one another
Learn to love each other - Teach us to weep

Verse 4: Hallelujah, hallelujah - Let us learn from one another
Learn to love each other - Teach us Your ways

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Sermon Notes