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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

Tuesdays from 9:00–12 Noon

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

Prelude

*Call to Worship

*Opening Songs:

“All Hail King Jesus”

“O Worship the King”

“We Will Glorify”

“Behold Our God”

*God’s Greeting and We Greet One

Another

We Are Renewed in God’s Grace

Confession and Assurance of Pardon

Hear, O people of God, the law that the Lord speaks

in your hearing this day, that you may know his statutes

and walk according to his ordinances.

Teach us, O Lord, the grace of your law, and give us life by your Word.

The God who saved us in Jesus Christ gave this law, saying:

I am the Lord your God! You shall have no other gods before me.

We will worship the Lord our God and serve only him.

You shall not make yourself an image of anything to worship it.

Living no more in bondage to earthly gods,

we will worship the Lord our God in spirit and in truth.

You shall not misuse the name of the Lord.

We will use the holy name of God with reverence,

praising him in everything we do and say.

You shall observe the Sabbath by keeping it holy, for in six days you shall labor and do all your work.

Accompanist

Brenda Hofman

Children & Worship

Leader: Kim Greenfield

Miranda Vander Berg

Ethan Schulz

Elder/Deacon Greeters

Joe Durant

Jon Mulder

Fellowship Coffee

Mike & Bonnie Vander Berg

Greeters

Den & Nancy Vande Berg

Nursery

Andrea Buwalda

Phylicia Bronkhorst

Taylor Hoffman

Sound System

Glen Greenfield

Transportation

Bob Mulder (382-0926)

Ushers

Jesse Buteyn

Glen Greenfield

Noah Mulder

Neil Venhuizen

Video Projection

Lois Mulder

Missionary Letters

B Te Grootenhuis to Daryl Pfantz

K Ten Pas to Neen

B Ten Pass to Chaplain Pete+

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

**This is the day the Lord has made;
let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

You shall honor your father and mother, that you may live long in the land the Lord your God is giving to you.

**As children we will be obedient to our parents in the Lord;
as parents we will correct our children and guide them
in the training and instruction of the Lord;
we will respect the lawful authorities appointed by God.**

You shall not murder.

**We will be kind and compassionate to one another,
forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave us.**

You shall not commit adultery.

**We will use our bodies in ways that are holy
and honorable, and abstain from immorality and impurity.**

You shall not steal.

**We will do what we can for our neighbor's good,
and work faithfully so that we may share with the poor.**

You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.

**We will speak the truth with our neighbor in love,
render judgments that are true and make for peace,
and not devise in our hearts any evil against anyone.**

You shall not covet anything that belongs to your neighbor.

**We will be content whatever the circumstances
through the strength of Christ within us.**

Thus we must love our neighbor as ourselves.

**For the Lord requires of us to do justice, to love kindness,
and to walk humbly with our God. Amen!**

We have been made holy through the sacrifice of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.

**This is God's gospel promise:
to forgive our sins and give us eternal life
by grace alone
because of Christ's one sacrifice
finished on the cross.**

Song: "Love the Lord"

Congregational Prayer

Offertory and Our Offerings

Children are dismissed for Walk Out Worship

God Speaks through His Word

*Scripture: Acts 1:12-26

Sermon: **Be Prepared**

We Respond to God's Word

Song of Response: "Forever"

We Leave to Serve God

*God's Parting Blessing

Closing: "Benediction"

*Postlude

6:00 PM Worship Service: Hymn Sing

Worship Notes

This morning Pastor Harv will lead us in worship as we look at Acts 1:12-26 and we proceed with confidence knowing that God will continue His work. This evening we will be having a hymn sing.

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: \$2,757

Gideons: \$707.39

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.

Parents of college students: Please send your child's address to the church email (waupuncrc@gmail.com) or put them in Allegra's mailbox.

A big **thank you** to George and Karen Aalsma for their years of service in preparing the **Communion Table**. The Council is asking for **volunteers** to take their place in preparing the Communion Table.

October Birthdays

Luke Jonker	28
Gary De Jager	29
Kevin Buwalda	30
Kathy Kamphuis	30
Jan Scheuers	30
Kathy Bille	31
Nancy Wierenga	31

November Birthdays

Don Pausma	1
Caleb Mulder	1
Keith Buwalda	2

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 and is starting treatment.
- Carol Navis as she is receiving radiation.
- Karen Aalsma, as she recovers from surgery.
- Kathy Kamphuis, as she recovers from surgery.

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

The council is proposing that women be allowed to serve as deacons at First CRC Waupun so we can better utilize the gifts that God has given us to live out our vision as a church. A congregational meeting will be held Monday, Nov. 4, at 6:30 PM to vote on the proposal. The vote will require 75% approval in order for it to be adopted. Absentee ballots will be available. There is a sign-up sheet in the back of church if you would like to receive more reading material on the subject of women as deacons.

Youth group members are selling delicious ButterBraids again this fall. They are perfect for upcoming holiday/family get togethers! Reach out to a high school student if you would like to order. Orders and money are due Wednesday, Oct. 30, and the ButterBraids will be delivered to you on Wednesday, Nov. 13. Thank you so much for your support!

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.

We need your help! We will be hosting the **African Children's Choir** on Sunday, Nov. 10, and are in need of people to volunteer for the following:

1. Seven host families to house students & chaperones:
 - a. Three homes for 1 adult and 3 boys each
 - b. Two homes for 1 adult and 3 girls each

- c. One home for 1 male adult
2. Two to three people willing to prepare sack lunches for the choir on Monday and Tuesday.
3. Four volunteers to be ushers (hand out programs at the beginning and take offering).
4. A few good men to help with unloading equipment upon arrival (1:30 PM) and a few to help with take down and loading the bus after the concert.

There are sign-up sheets on a table in the narthex. Please prayerfully consider where you can be a blessing and be blessed in return. Gladys will go over all requirements with you upon completion of sign-ups.

Fall season will soon be wrapping up with Christmas just around the corner. The middle school kids of SWaT will once again be collecting goodies to package for **Operation Christmas Child**. The last few years we have packed between 100 and 150 shoeboxes for underserved kids around the world...that's a lot of gift giving! **We will be collecting from now until Sunday, Nov. 10**, and you can put your donations in the barrel or box in the back of church. For details on what (and what NOT) to donate, please go to www.samaritanspurse.org. Shoeboxes are collected for ages 2-14. Here are a few ideas to get you started! 1) A "wow" item such as doll, stuffed animal, ball, or clothing; 2) Personal care items; 3) School supplies; 4) Crafts, toys, activities; 5) Clothing. Thank you for all your help!

Save the Date: December 15, "A Night in Bethlehem"

Live Nativity from 4:00-5:00

Meal served from 4:00-5:30

Christmas Story retold at 5:45

We need your help:

1. Watch for sign-up sheets for food donations
2. Carolers (watch for a sign-up sheet)
3. Characters in costume for the Live Nativity and the Christmas Story
4. Help with getting animals and hay bales.

Please talk to Gregg or Kristi if you are interested in helping in any way to reach our neighbors and community with this special churchwide event. Please pray for all the details and for our guests to be touched with what happened in Bethlehem.

COMMUNITY NEWS

The CWC High School band, choir, and New Generation Singers will host their first concert of the year on **Tuesday, Oct. 29**, at 6:30 PM. Please join us as we use our God-given talents to worship His holy name.

Servathon: Have you wanted to help your neighbor but didn't have the time? Take a look down your street, is there someone that could use a little help? Do you find yourself in a situation where you need help? The CWC High School students are looking to help those in need within our

communities with the annual “**Servathon.**” It will take place on **Friday, Nov. 1**. Please let us know if you, or someone you know, could use a little boost. Just call CWC at 920-324-4233 ext. 310 and someone will get back to you to find out the details.

Youth for Christ is holding their **Comedy Café Fundraiser** for two nights in November. Don't miss this unforgettable evening of desserts, student testimony, and comedian John Branyan, helping raise money and awareness for the ministry of YFC throughout the area. There are two great nights to choose from! Nov. 4 in Fond du Lac, and Nov. 5 in Waupun. Admission is free but reservations are required. For more information or to make reservations call toll 920-923-1416 or visit www.badgerlandyfc.org.

Ever wonder how enjoying some great chili could directly impact the life of a child? Attend the 8th Annual Beautiful Response Chili Supper on Tuesday, Nov. 5, from 4:30-7:00 PM at Bethel CRC and support Beautiful Response as it provides the life-changing gift of education for children at the orphanage, Raising Up Hope in Uganda (RUHU). This event is sponsored by the CWC Boys' Soccer Program and all funds raised will go to ensure that the children at RUHU continue to receive an education. THANK YOU for your support!

Mark your calendar for an evening of hilarity as the **CWC High School drama** club presents a comedy Double Feature on Nov. 7-9 at 6:30 PM. First, enjoy fun for all ages with Bestest Bedtime Stories (Told By Grandpa) where fairy tale actors try to keep up with Grandpa's (silly) version of the details. Then stick around for Every U.S. Election Ever—a wildly fast-paced modern satire of American politics, from George Washington to Donald Trump. Tickets are on sale through the CWC office or at 920-324-4233.

The CWC 8th grade class is raising money to help two students (children of local missionaries) have a better opportunity for learning in Mozambique! They will begin school in February and are working to secure funds for the school year. Come to the Pizza Ranch on October 28 and help them have another great school year. Our 8th grade students will be working that night, so please come out and put them to work! We'd love to see you there!

Calling all teens/parents/community members! You won't want to miss this powerful and dynamic talk – join us as this team of national advocates will help our community ignite a conversation around important topics such as bullying and suicide prevention; thru a powerful approach that helps to save lives. All ages are welcome to join us on Thursday, Nov. 14, at 6 PM at the Waupun High School! RISE TOGETHER, is a nonprofit that is on a mission to prevent addiction by educating, engaging, and empowering youth to use their voice for change; breaking the silence around addiction and mental health. For more info visit: www.weallrisetogether.org

An Invitation for Thanksgiving Day Dinner from Pella Lutheran Church

A special invitation is extended to singles, couples and/or families who are alone or unable to prepare the traditional Thanksgiving Day dinner. Pella's 30th annual Thanksgiving Day meal will be served at 12 noon on Thursday, Nov. 28, in the church fellowship hall. Please phone a reservation in to Jan Harmsen (920-642-3732) or Lora Huizenga (324-3321 ext. 101) by Friday, Nov. 15, so they know how much food to prepare. Persons needing transportation in Waupun may also indicate this. There is no charge for attending, just bring a hearty appetite.

Calendar

Today:	8:45 AM	Prayer Meeting in church basement
	9:30 AM	AM Worship Service followed by
	10:45 AM	Sunday School and Catechism
	5:00 PM	Bible Study @ Scott & Jen's
	6:00 PM	PM Worship Service
Monday:	6:30 PM	Women's Bible Study @ First CRC
Tuesday:	8:00 AM	Prayer Meeting
Wednesday:	9:00 AM	Coffee Break @ Bethel CRC
	10:00 AM	Men's Morning Bible Study @ Mike V.
	6:30 PM	Men's Night Bible Study @ First CRC
Sunday:	8:45 AM	Prayer Meeting in church basement
	9:30 AM	AM Worship Service
	10:45 AM	Sunday School and Catechism
	6:00 PM	PM Worship Service

Next Week

Accompanist

Cara Schmitt

Children & Worship

Leader: Jessica Ten Pass

Elise Ritzema

Arent Venhuizen

Elder/Deacon Greeters

Steve Homan

Keith Venhuizen

Fellowship Coffee

Michael & Danielle Jansma

Greeters

Mike & Bonnie Vander Berg

Musical Praise

Michelle Mulder

Nursery

Marilyn Mulder

Tirzah Ritzema

Offering: Local Budget

November Cause: Food Pantry

PM Prayer

Brian O'Donovan

Sound System

Scott Ritzema

Ushers

Thomas Venhuizen

Ray Hofman

Al Holden

Will Bronkhorst

Video Projection

LeAnne Holden