

10/6/2024

First Christian Reformed Church



We welcome our guests and hope that you will be blessed by worshipping 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 view the bulletin on our website: 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: waupuncrc@gmail.com

PO Box 32, Waupun

9:30 AM Worship Service
* Please stand if you are able.

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

*God's Greeting

*Songs of Worship: "10,000 Reasons" "Who You Say I Am"

Confession and Assurance

Song of Assurance: "Blessed Assurance" G490

Congregational Prayer

Offerings for the Faith Promise Fund

Song of Worship: "Jesus, with Your Church Abide" G508

Children ages 3-6 are invited to Children's Worship

*Scripture Reading: 1 Peter 2:9-10

Heidelberg Catechism: Lord's Day 21, Q&A 54 and 55

Message: "Why I Love the Church"

Prayer

*Song of Response: "I Love Your Church, O Lord"

*Song of Preparation: "You Are My All in All R583

Preparation for the Lord's Supper

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

Song: "Lamb of God" R302 *(sung during the passing of the cup)*

*Song of Thanksgiving: "Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above" G465

(Our deacons will receive an offering for our Benevolent Fund during this song...as the Lord met us in our great need for salvation, we, God's people, seek to meet others in their need.)

*Benediction

*Closing Song: "To God Be the Glory" G473:1

*Postlude

Taking part in worship today:

- Sermon and Worship Leader:
Pastor Greg Schuringa
- Accompanist: Cara Schmitt
- Worship Team: Pastor Greg, Cara Schmitt (piano and vocals); Kim Greenfield, Rachel Hoffman (vocalists)

- Media Team: Scott Ritzema, Lois Mulder, Brad Mulder
- Coffee: Bob and Michelle Mulder
- Children's Worship: Stacey Schaver, Hailey Bresser, Ellie Mulder

- Nursery: Hailey Wagner, Andrea Buwalda, Joy Mulder
- Transportation: Bob Mulder
- Ushers: Ryer Greenfield, Tom Jonker

Missionary Letters

B Van Herwaarden to Neen/Angel*
 T Van Herwaarden 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 and the month's special offering the remaining Sundays (Gideons for October), 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.



Our Family

As you pray this week, please remember the following:

- **Brian Bresser**, knee replacement recovery and rehab.
- **Keith Buwalda**, open heart surgery recovery and rehab.
- **Ann Hoekstra**, health.
- **Ray Hofman**, upcoming doctor appointments.
- **Dewey Pausma**, home now, strength, rehab, and stable health.
- **Ken Ten Pas**, health.
- **Gregg Zonnefeld**, good doctor report this past week, praise God.

The Elders joyfully accepted the membership of Kelsey Meyer this past Wednesday.

Christmas is Coming! The Schuringa Life Group is planning a time of Christmas Caroling on Wednesday, December 11. Anyone is welcome to join us. Please contact Pastor Greg or Sarah if you want to join in with us and we'll let you know the details as we get closer to the event.

Dan and Gladys Montsma and Brad and Lyn Mulder's **Life Groups** would like to invite all **forever young seniors to lunch** on Sunday, October 27, at noon in the church basement. Please sign up by October 13. The sign-up sheet will be in the narthex by the coffee.

October is Pastor Appreciation Month. There are so many ways we can show our appreciation for Pastor Greg and his family—please remember them in prayer and let them know how/why you appreciate their ministry

here at First CRC. **In honor of Pastor Schuringa and his family**, we will be having a potluck meal on Oct. 13 at CWC beginning at 12 noon. Along with your dish to pass, please provide your own table service. Cake, ice cream and drink will be provided. Join as we together express our thanks to Pastor Greg.

Church News

Upcoming Worship Highlights

- October 13: Baptism
- October 27: Guest Pastor
- November 3: Remembering the Persecuted Church
- November 27: Thanksgiving Eve Worship at 6:30 PM
- December 1: Lord's Supper, First Sunday of Advent

Summer is on its way out the door and fall is just around the corner. In October, from the 1st to the 13th, the high school youth group will help you decorate your front lawn with a traveling SERVEcrow (aka scarecrow) to raise funds for our summer mission trip. If your lawn is decorated, you can either:

- Pay \$5 and move the SERVEcrow to another congregation members lawn within 24 hours or
- Pay \$15, text Jen Vlietstra @ 507-227-1859 and a youth group student will decorate a friend's lawn of your choosing or
- Want to avoid the SERVEcrow decorating your front lawn? You can contact Jen Vlietstra and purchase SERVEcrow insurance for \$30 to protect your lawn from visitors. Text Jen @ 507-227-1859 and give her your name and address and reserve your SERVEcrow Insurance, due TODAY!

Community News

Volunteer Department Manager for Toys: Bargains Galore Thrift Store (BGTS) is looking for one or two energetic individuals who will be the Department Manager(s) for our toys department. This includes sorting, cleaning, pricing and stocking shelves once a week with the assistance of other volunteers as needed. If interested in joining the Bargains team, please contact Bailey Smits or Sue Soodsma.

Stand for Life Sunday sponsored by the Fond du Lac County Right to Life is TODAY from 2-3 PM at the corner of W. Johnson and Peters Ave. in Fond du Lac. Stand with us for one hour of silent prayer for the unborn and vulnerable.

Emanuel Lutheran Church in Brandon is having their annual Chili Festival on Sunday, Oct. 13, from 11 AM to 1 PM. Menu: Chili and all the fixings, and dessert. Dine-in: Free-will offering. Carry-outs: \$9 for one quart of chili and two desserts.

All are invited to the 79th annual Cambria Welsh Hymn Sing on Sunday, October 13, at the historic 1st Presbyterian Church, 121 West Florence St in Cambria. There will be two sessions, one at 2:30 PM and at 5:30 PM. The special guest is award-winning soloist and director Katherine Crusi from Philadelphia. The Gymanfa Ganu (Welsh Hymn Sing) will be sung in mostly English in rich 4-part harmony. A lovely supper will be served between the two sessions.

Benvenuto's Italian Grill in Beaver Dam and the Pregnancy Support Center of Dodge County partner for a Day of Dining on Tuesday, Oct. 15, 11 AM to 10 PM. Just mention the PSCDC and Benvenuto's will donate 20% of your purchase to the PSCDC.

ONE Waupun Connections Breakfast: Our next ONE Waupun Connections Breakfast will be on **Saturday, October 19**, from 7:30 – 8:30 AM. We will once again be meeting at the **Main Street Bistro** at 5 West Main Street here in Waupun. Plan to join us and take along a friend or neighbor.

Indulge in our homemade fresh Wisconsin apple pies for just \$14 each! Every pie is sweetened with sugar and cinnamon and topped with a delicious homemade butter crumb topping—perfect for holiday gatherings or anytime you hear an apple pie calling your name. By purchasing these delightful pies, you're supporting local Christian education at Randolph Christian School. To place your order, contact any RCS family (they deliver!) or call the school at 920-326-3320, with the deadline to order being October 22, 2024. Enjoy a slice of goodness while making a difference!

CWC's Servathon is happening on November 1 from 8:15-11:30 AM. It will consist of a group of kids with a staff member (depending on location) coming to your house or location you request. They would love to help with landscaping, raking, cutting down bushes, trimming trees, etc. We request contact info and the type of service needed. If you know specific students from CWC, you can request they help at your worksite. If you have a project you'd like help with, please contact Josie Vander Werff at 920-579-7766 or 26gvanderwerff@wearecwc.org.MC

Waupun UMC Fall Craft/Vendor Fair and Bake Sale is happening on Saturday, Nov. 2, from 9 AM to 2 PM at Waupun United Methodist Church and Wesley Center. Free admission and lunch available for purchase.

The Tribute Quartet will be performing at **Bethel Church in Brandon** on Sunday, Nov. 24, at 6 PM. There will be a freewill offering.

World Renew Hurricane Helene Response - World Renew Disaster Response Services (DRS) is preparing to respond to Hurricane Helene in the most affected communities from Florida to North Carolina. You can help people whose homes and property have been flooded or destroyed since Helene made landfall on Thursday, Sept. 26, 2024. Please give generously to World Renew DRS as we help families rebuild and recover their lives. Donate online at worldrenew.net/hurricanehelene or make your check out to First CRC with World Renew - Hurricane Helene written in the memo line.

Calendar

Today: 9:30 AM Worship Service
10:45 AM Sunday School/Catechism
4:00 PM Youth Group – Small Groups at Bethel CRC

Wednesday: 9:00 AM Coffee Break at Bethel CRC
1:00 PM Women’s Bible Study (upper room)
6:30 PM MS YG Worship Night at Bethel CRC

Sunday: 8:30 AM 11th/12th Catechism
9:30 AM Worship Service

Next Week

Accompanist

Marlyce Mulder

Coffee

George and Karen Aalsma

Children’s Worship

Sarah Schuringa, Jenna Schouten,
Jules Mulder

Nursery

Beth Schlieve, Emily Mulder, Rynn
Aalsma

Livestream

Gladys Montsma

PPT

Katie DeJager

Sound System

Pete Vander Werff

Transportation

Bob Mulder

Ushers

Ben Mulder, Brian O’Donovan

Care Group	Elder	Deacon
1	Keith Buwalda (2025)	Adam Franken (2027)
2	Brian O'Donovan (2026)	Tyler Jansen (2025)
3	Bob Mulder (2025)	Adam Franken (2027)
4	Mike Vander Berg (2027)	Mitch Vree (2025)
5	Dan Scheuers (2025)	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)

10,000 Reasons (Bless The Lord)

Chorus: Bless the Lord O my soul, O my soul - Worship His holy name
Sing like never before, O my soul - I'll worship Your holy name

Verse 1: The sun comes up it's a new day dawning - It's time to sing Your song again - Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me
Let me be singing when the evening comes

Verse 2: You're rich in love and You're slow to anger - Your name is great and Your heart is kind - For all Your goodness I will keep on singing
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find

Verse 3: And on that day when my strength is failing - The end draws near and my time has come - Still my soul will sing Your praise unending
Ten thousand years and then forevermore

Tag: Worship Your holy name - Lord I'll worship Your holy name

Ending: Sing like never before O my soul - I'll worship Your holy name
Worship Your holy name - Worship Your holy name

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Who You Say I Am

Verse 1: Who am I that the highest King - Would welcome me
I was lost but He brought me in – Oh, His love for me – Oh, His love for me

Chorus 1: Who the Son sets free – Oh, is free indeed
I'm a child of God – Yes, I am

Verse 2: Free at last - He has ransomed me - His grace runs deep
While I was a slave to sin - Jesus died for me – Yes, He died for me

Chorus 2: In my Father's house - There's a place for me
I'm a child of God – Yes, I am

Bridge: I am chosen not forsaken - I am who You say I am
You are for me not against me - I am who You say I am

Tag: (Oh) (Yes) I am who You say I am

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Sermon Notes