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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

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

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

An Advent Call to Worship

In the last days the mountain of the Lord's temple will be established as the highest of the mountains; it will be exalted above the hills, and all nations will stream to it. Many peoples will come and say,

"Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the temple of the God of Jacob. He will teach us his ways, so that we may walk in his paths."

The law will go out from Zion, the word of the LORD from Jerusalem. He will judge between the nations and will settle disputes for many peoples. They will beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks. Nation will not take up sword against nation, nor will they train for war anymore.

Come, descendants of Jacob, let us walk in the light of the LORD.

*Opening Songs of Praise:

"Here I Am to Worship"

"Come Let Us Adore Him"

Lighting of the Prophecy Candle

Song: "Come Thou Long-Expected Jesus"

*God's Greeting and We Greet One Another
Congregational Prayer

We Are Renewed in God's Grace

Baptism of Mea Aalsma

Offertory and Our Offerings

Accompanist

Lois Mulder

Children & Worship

Leader: Jenna Mulder

Megan Greenfield

Elder/Deacon Greeters

Merle Schouten

Joe Bresser

Fellowship Coffee

Den & Nancy Vande Berg

Greeters

Dave & Lori Venhuizen

Nursery

Amanda Buteyn

Bonnie Vander Berg

Jenna Schouten

Sound System

Glen Greenfield

Transportation

Bob Mulder (382-0926)

Ushers

Arent Venhuizen

Brad Schouten

Glen Greenfield

Tyler Ten Pass

Video Projection

LeAnne Holden

Missionary Letters

T Venhuizen to Daryl Pfantz

J Ver Hage to Neen+

M Vree to Chaplain Pete

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

Children are dismissed for Walk Out Worship

God Speaks through His Word

*Scripture: Revelations 3:1-13

Sermon Theme: Wake Up!!

We Respond to God's Word

*Song of Response: "O Come, O Come, Immanuel"

We Leave to Serve God

*God's Parting Blessing

*Doxology: "Salvation Belongs to Our God"

*Postlude

6:00 PM Worship Service

Prelude

Call to Worship

***God's Greeting**

Opening Songs led by Ben Homan

Prayers of the People led by Ken Homan

We Study God's Word

Scripture: 1 Corinthians 12:12-26

Sermon Theme: I Belong

***Song of Response:** "They'll Know We Are Christians"

***Affirmation of our Faith:** Apostles Creed

***Benediction**

***Closing Song:** "Bless Be the Tie That Binds"

***Postlude**

Worship Notes

This morning Pastor Harv will lead us in worship as we look at Revelations 3 and we celebrate the baptism of Mea Aalsma. This evening Pastor Harv will again lead us in worship as we look at 1 Corinthians 12.

There is no Sunday School today.

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: \$3,180

Waupun Food Pantry: \$206

December Cause is Elim Christian School: Through its four major program areas on its main campus in Palos Heights, IL, and in 15 Discovery locations, over 300 servants work each day to bring 800 persons with disabilities beyond their potential to become the living testimonies God created them to be.

Upcoming evening services

Dec. 8 - Christmas Sing at First Reformed

Dec. 15 - Live Nativity and Christmas Story here

Dec. 22 - Candlelight Service at Bethel CRC

Dec. 29 - Pulpit supply if we can find it.

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 (waupunrc@gmail.com) or put them in Allegra's mailbox.

December Birthdays

Tom Jonker	1	Cassie Holden	7
Hollie Ganz	4	Jolie Schouten	7
Darrall Schaver	6		

As you pray this week, please remember these people:

- Janet Ver Hage as she continues to undergo chemo treatment.
- Carlie Jansen, as she recovers from surgery.
- Laura Ten Pass as she continues with cancer treatments.

- Leanne Johnson, continue to pray for healing.
- Paul Vande Kolk as he is receiving treatment for lung cancer.
- Carol Navis, that she continues to do well.
- Karen Aalsma, as she is receiving treatment for cancer.
- Kathy Kamphuis, as she recovers from surgery.
- Erin Stroede's sister Cassie as she has been diagnosed with 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

Couples Club Bible Study: For our Dec. 5 meeting, we will be going to Sebastians Supper Club in Fond du Lac at 6:45. Meet at church to carpool. If you need a ride, call Arky and Helene at 324-2859 or 920-210-8978. Also, please call if you are not going.

All those involved in the Live Nativity and retelling of the Christmas story are asked to stay after the morning service on Dec. 8 to run through the program and hear about the logistics. We will also have costumes for you to try on.

Church Directory sheets are on the table in the foyer. Please check your information and make any corrections. If everything is correct, please put "OK" next to your name.

Wanted: Singers for Live Nativity Caroling: Do you love to sing? Do you love Christmas songs? Carolers are needed to sing during the Live Nativity on December 15. We need two groups to sing in half-hour increments. The first group will sing from 4-4:30 PM and the second from 4:30-5 PM. Song lyric sheets will be provided, no practice is needed! Please let Cara Schmitt know if you'd like to participate at carajoy1979@gmail.com or 920-382-6991 (call or text), or sign up using the sign-up sheets in the basement.

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.

Our church will be ringing the **Salvation Army Bells** on Dec. 6 and 7 at Walgreens. At least eight people are needed to work two-hour shifts. Talk to Arky Navis if you have questions and/or to sign up (home: 324-2859; cell: 210-3016).

We will not be having an evening service on December 8 and 22. On Dec. 8 you are encouraged to attend First Reformed Church's Christmas Carol Sing at 6:00 and on Dec. 22 you are encouraged attend Bethel CRC's Candlelight Service at 7:00.

Wanted! Anyone willing to assist us in making the December 15 "A Night in Bethlehem" evening a blessing for all who attend. We are looking for donations of salads, cookies or bars, drink items and kitchen help. Sign-up sheets are downstairs. If you would like to help cover other food costs, please place your donations in Sue Buwalda's or Nancy Vande Berg's mailbox. Thank you in advance.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Giving Tuesday. December 3: You've heard of Black Friday and Cyber Monday...here's your chance to make a difference at Central Wisconsin Christian on **Giving Tuesday**. Gifts made online, in person, or by phone on December 3 will be multiplied through the gracious support of a group of our donors who are providing matching funds. These funds help fill the gap between the cost of tuition and our actual cost of education. Please prayerfully consider your Giving Tuesday gift and impact God's Kingdom through Christ-centered education. #GiveCWC

The CWC middle school and high school students will begin our Christmas celebration on Thursday, December 12. Once again, the Crusader Centre will be filled with the songs of Christmas. Groups featured are the middle school band, middle school choir, high school band, Jr. choir, Sr. Choir, and the New Generation Singers. The concert will begin at 6:30. An offering will be taken for the music department. Please join us at CWC as we celebrate the birth of our King!

The Sophomore Class at CWC would like to invite you to their fundraiser meal on Friday, December 13, from 4:30 to 7 PM in the commons. It is a freewill donation for their class to help pay for class trips and other class events. There will be boys and girls basketball games for you to watch as well. Thank you for supporting CWC and our students!

The CWC Elementary students will continue our Christmas celebration on Tuesday, Dec. 17. The Crusader Centre will be filled with the sounds of our youngest students singing "Christmas Joy." For our finale, we will sing the Hallelujah Chorus. This is a treat that you will not want to miss. We will be offering a 9 AM and 6:30 PM session this year to help with the large crowd. Doors to the Crusader Centre will be locked until 30 minutes before the show begins. An offering will be taken for the music department.

Union Congregational Church in Waupun is having their 11th Annual Cookie Walk on Saturday, Dec. 7, from 9-11 AM. Select your own assortment of delicious home-baked Christmas cookies and candy; \$7 per pound, containers provided. Proceeds will be support REACH Waupun, Church Health Services and Steven Siller Tunnel to Towers Foundation (supporting U.S. first responders, service members, and their families).

Emmanuel Lutheran Church of Brandon is having a Homemade Christmas Cookies and Candy Sale on Saturday, December 7, from 10 AM to 2 PM.

Calendar

Today:	8:45 AM	Prayer Meeting in church basement
	9:30 AM	AM Worship Service
	10:45 AM	PreK – 5: Christmas Program Practice
	6:00 PM	PM Worship
Tuesday:	8:00 AM	Prayer Meeting
Wednesday:	9:00 AM	Coffee Break at Bethel CRC
	10:00 AM	Men’s Morning Bible Study @ Mike V.
	6:30 PM	GEMS Deliver Christmas Treat Bags
	6:30 PM	Cadets Cookie Walk at the Union
	6:45 PM	Christian Fellowship
Saturday:	6:00 PM	The End of Me Bible Study at Church
Sunday:	8:45 AM	Prayer Meeting in church basement
	9:30 AM	AM Worship Service
	10:45 AM	Sunday School and Catechism

Next Week

Accompanist

Brenda Hofman

Children & Worship

Leader: Becca Vree

Aubryn De Jager

Tirzah Ritzema

Elder/Deacon Greeters

Kevin Buwalda

Andy Schlieve

Fellowship Coffee

Al & LeAnne Holden

Greeters

Harry & Karen Venhuizen

Nursery

Emily Mulder

Rhonda Schouten

Olivia Vander Werff

Offering: Local Budget

December Cause: Elim Christian School

Sound System

Tyler Jansen

Ushers

Arent Venhuizen

Brad Schouten

Glen Greenfield

Tyler Ten Pass

Video Projection

Beth Schlieve

<u>Group</u>	<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)