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 Facebook 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: 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: "Holy, Holy, Holy" G249:1, 3, 4

"We Fall Down" "Who You Say I Am" "He Will Hold Me Fast"

Congregational Prayer

Offering: Local Budget and Beautiful Response Song of Worship: "The Greatest Thing" R644

Children ages 3-6 are invited to Children's Worship while we sing

*Scripture: John 8:42-44; Ephesians 3:14-17a; James 1:17-18

Message: "Praying Big #1: Our Father of Lights"

Prayer

Preparation for The Lord's Supper Profession of Faith: Philippians 2:5-11 Celebration of The Lord's Supper

Song of Worship: "Eat This Bread" G312 (passing of the bread)
Song of Worship: "Wonderful, Merciful Savior" (passing of the cup)

Song of Praise: "My God, How Wonderful You Are" G499

(an offering for our Benevolent Fund will be received during this song—as God has met us in our great need, we seek to meet others in their need)

*Benediction

*Doxology: "Salvation Belongs to Our God"

*Postlude

Taking part in worship today:

- Worship Leader and Sermon: Pastor Greg Schuringa
- Accompanist: Lois Mulder
- Worship Team: Pastor Schuringa; Nikki Durni (acoustic guitar and vocals); Kim Greenfield, Megan Greenfield, Jessica Ten Pass (vocalists)
- Media Team: Scott Ritzema, Cody Van Herwaarden, Rachel Hoffman

- Coffee: Al and LeAnne Holden
- Children's Worship: Arent Venhuizen, Ethan Homan, Olivia Vander Werff
- Nursery: Becca Vree, Beth Schlieve, Jonah Mulder
- Ushers: Owen Mulder, Brad Schouten

Missionary Letters

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*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 month's special offering (Beautiful Response for February), 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 go to our website and click on "Give" at the top of the page. Please talk to a deacon if you want more information about giving to First CRC.

Beautiful Response exists to support and empower our partner organizations in the developing world by providing financial and technical resources. We partner with their leaders, prioritizing their mission as they meet the particular needs of their communities.

We commit to creating a meaningful impact around the world, empowering the visions of our partners in Uganda and Haiti. Gifts and donations contributed to Beautiful Response do not support our ideas or solutions but rather those of the people who live in those respective communities. Your gifts fund the work and ingenuity of Ugandans meeting Ugandan problems and Haitians meeting Haitian problems.

Our Family

As you pray this week, please remember the following:

- Harold Greenfield, Kathy Kamphuis, and Larry Pluim, all dealing with cancer.
- Steve Smits, in recovery after knee surgery.
- Laura Ten Pass, new treatment regimen to start soon.
- Lori (and Dave) Venhuizen, funeral services for Lori's father, Henry Wiltjer, at Faith CRC in Elmhurst, IL, this past week.

Church News

A New Women's Wednesday Evening Bible Study will be starting on February 22! We will meet here at First CRC each Wednesday from February 22 to March 29, and we will use the study titled 40 Days With Jesus, A Study on the Life of Christ. We will take an in-depth look at the life of Jesus, including His birth, ministry, death, and resurrection as we prepare for Easter. If you would like to join this study, please contact Sarah Schuringa by Monday, February 13, so we can order your book.

New Sermon Series: Praying Big. Today we begin a new sermon series on prayer, following along with a little book called Pray Big: Learn to Pray Like an Apostle by Alistair Begg. This series will take us through the season of Lent. If you haven't ordered this book yet but would like to, please contact Lois Mulder in the church office and she'll see what she might be able to do yet for you. If you want to go deeper either personally or with a group, please read chapter 2 for next Sunday.

Community News

The Dordt University Wind Symphony is coming to Waupun on Saturday, March 11, for a 6:30 PM concert at the Central Wisconsin Christian School Crusader Center. They are in need of host families to volunteer to house the students after their concert. Host families typically come to the concert and pick up students afterward, provide a snack that evening, provide breakfast the following morning, and make sure they get to the First CRC in Waupun in the morning for worship the next day. If you are willing to house Dordt University Wind Symphony Students on Saturday, March 11, please contact Kim Greenfield at kgreenfield@wearecwc.org.

The Community Table is in urgent need of church groups, clubs, small groups, or even families to provide a meal on Fridays from 11-1. Presently, no one is signed up for any Fridays in 2023. Please help us provide this service to our deserving community members. To sign up for a week or two, call Terri Respalje at 920-324-4000 between 9 and 3, Monday-Thursdays. For information about numbers to prepare for or any other questions, call Ron Schaalma at 920-948-8069.

Calendar

Today: 9:30 AM Worship Service

10:45 AM Sunday School and Catechism

Wednesday: 9:00 AM Coffee Break at Bethel CRC

6:30 PM Women's Bible Study in the Upper Room

6:30 PM Youth Group Truth in Love, lesson 4 @ Bethel

Sunday: 8:30 AM 11th and 12th Grade Catechism

9:30 AM Worship Service

Next Week

Accompanist

Laura Ten Pass

Coffee

Steve and Heidi Smits

Children's Worship

Emily Mulder, Emma Hoffman, Levi

Holbach

Nursery

Jen Ritzema, Emily Aalsma, Emma

Hoffman

Livestream

Randall Greenfield

PPT

Ryer Greenfield

Sound System

Pete Vander Werff

Ushers

Tom Jonker, Cody Van

Herwaarden

Group	<u>Elder</u>	<u>Deacon</u>
1	Keith Buwalda (2025)	Todd Schouten (2024)
2	Denny Vande Berg (2023)	Tyler Jansen (2025)
3	Bob Mulder (2025)	Todd Schouten (2024)
4	George Aalsma (2024)	Mitch Vree (2025)
5	Dan Scheuers (2025)	Tyler Jansen (2025)
6	Steve Smits (2023)	Noah Mulder (2023)
7	Ben Homan (2023)	Pete Vander Werff (2023)
8	Ray Hofman (2024)	Tyler Ten Pass (2024)

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We Fall Down

Verse: We fall down - We lay our crowns - At the feet of Jesus The greatness of His mercy and love - At the feet of Jesus

Chorus: And we cry holy, holy, holy - And we cry holy, holy

And we cry holy, holy, holy is the Lamb

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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

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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 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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Wonderful Merciful Savior

Verse 1: Wonderful merciful Savior - Precious Redeemer and Friend Who would have thought that a Lamb could rescue the souls of men Oh You rescue the souls of men

Chorus: You are the One that we praise - You are the One we adore You give the healing and grace our hearts always hunger for Oh our hearts always hunger for

Verse 2: Counselor Comforter Keeper - Spirit we long to embrace You offer hope when our hearts have hopelessly lost the way Oh we hopelessly lost the way

Verse 3: Almighty infinite Father - Faithfully loving Your own Here in our weakness You find us falling before Your throne Oh we're falling before Your throne

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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