

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.

Before and after worship we have catechism classes for students from Middle School through High School, and Sunday School Classes for K – 5th graders after worship. These classes are designed to help students grow in the biblical faith and to apply their growing faith to day-to-day life.

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 and large-print 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

*Call to Worship

*God's Greeting

*Songs of Worship: "Christ Our Hope in Life and Death"
"Jesus Messiah"

Congregational Prayer

Offering for the Local Budget and Faith Promise Fund

Song of Worship: "Like a River Glorious" G560

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

*Scripture Reading: Exodus 20:8-11

Message: "That Old Time Religion #2: Tried and True Practices of the
Faith—Five Ways to Enjoy the Sabbath"

Prayer

*Song of Worship: "Behold the Lamb" vs 1-2

Preparation and Celebration of the Lord's Supper

Song of Worship: "How Deep the Father's Love for Us"

(sung during the passing of the bread)

Song of Thanksgiving: "Behold the Lamb" vs 3-4

*(During this song we have opportunity to give to First CRC's Benevolent Fund—
as God has met us in our need we also seek to help those who are in need)*

*Benediction

*Closing Song: "Salvation Belongs to Our God"

*Postlude

Taking part in worship today:

- Worship Leader and Sermon: Pastor Greg Schuringa
- Accompanist: Cara Schmitt
- Worship Team: Pastor Greg; Cara Schmitt (piano); Kevin Buwalda, Kim Greenfield, Jessica Ten Pass (vocalists)
- Media Team: Pete Vander Werff, Beth Schlieve, Scott Ritzema
- Coffee: Steve and Heidi Smits
- Children's Worship: Jenna Mulder, Taylor Aalsma, Jonah Mulder
- Nursery: Jen Ritzema, Emily Aalsma, Jenna Schouten
- Transportation: Bob Mulder
- Ushers: Brian O'Donovan, 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 Faith Promise Fund the first Sunday of the month and the month's special offering the remaining Sundays (Pregnancy Support Center of Dodge County for March), 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:

- **Judy Groen**, hip replacement recovery and therapy.
- **Rachel Hoffman**, cancer surgery recovery, next steps.
- **Ray Hofman**, under hospice care at home.
- **Ken Ten Pas**, home, getting therapy.
- **Gregg Zonnefeld**, continued good health.

Church News

Upcoming Worship Highlights

- March 9—"That Old Time Religion" sermon series continues.
- April 18, 6:30 PM—Good Friday worship with Lord's Supper.

Worship Team. The First CRC Worship Team is always looking for more people to get involved in the leading of several songs we sing each worship service. Please contact Pastor Greg if you are interested in participating.

Sunday, March 9, our Bethel/First Youth Group will be hosting a Youth Group Community Worship Night. We'd love to be good hosts, so if you enjoy baking, let us know if you'd like to donate a dozen bars or cookies. You can contact Jen Vlietstra at 507-227-1859 or via email at cjvliet@charter.net.

Join us for fun night of food and fellowship at the Bethel/First Youth Group Spaghetti Fundraiser Supper, Wednesday, March 12, from 5:30-7:00 PM @ Bethel. Serving robust meat & tomato sauce with pasta, savory garlic bread, and fresh tossed salad, lemonade, and ice cream sundaes. Freewill donation to support the high school youth group ministry.

Looking for a little help with spring cleaning or yard projects? The Belize Mission Team Students would love to help you! Saturday, April 5, from 9 AM-4 PM they will be doing a Work-a-Thon Fundraiser to help pay for their summer mission trip. To reserve a pair of students for two hours, please reach out to Jen Vlietstra at 507-227-1859 or cjvliet@charter.net.

A laptop computer was found in the large upstairs classroom that we'd like to use for Children's Worship. However, when booted up the user is waupuncrcmusic@gmail.com and we do not have the password. If you know anything about this laptop, please talk to Randall Greenfield.

Community News

The ONE Waupun Annual Men's Conference is scheduled for Saturday, March 8, at the Green Lake Conference Center. Be sure to mark your calendars! To learn more or to register, you can go to <http://conference.onewaupun.com>.

On Thursday, March 6, the Pizza Ranch of Beaver Dam is having a **fundraiser for the Pregnancy Support Center of Dodge County**. Between 4 and 8 PM, Pizza Ranch will donate 10% of all sales, and ALL the tips will go to PSCDC. Join us in anticipation of daylight-saving time for a great meal any old day of the week.

CWC Elementary Musical: The elementary students of CWC are busy preparing their annual spring musical to be held on March 13, 2025, at 9 AM and 6:30 PM in the Crusader Centre and we would love for all of you to join us. This year we will be performing "In the Image" by Mark Burrow. It's about creativity, faithfulness, responsibility, community and the ability to find the good in things. Please enter at door 8 (East) OR door 11 (South). An offering will be taken to help the music department.

Blood Drive: Every 2 seconds someone in the US needs blood and or platelets. There is a critical need for blood from all blood types. Please consider donating blood today! Central Wisconsin Christian is hosting an American Red Cross Blood Drive on Thursday, March 6, from 10 AM to 4 PM. Enter through Door 8.

National Day of Prayer Service – Join the Waupun Minister's Association and people from our community for this prayer service on Thursday, May 1, 6 PM at Waupun City Hall.

Thursday, April 3, will be a great night to enjoy Noodles & Company in Beaver Dam for your dinner while **supporting Church Health Services**. They will benefit with 25% of qualifying purchases from both online orders

and in-house orders placed 4-8 PM. When checking out for online orders, use the code GIVING25!

Calendar

Today: 9:30 AM Worship Service
 10:45 AM Sunday School/Catechism
 7:00 PM Youth Group @ Bethel
Wednesday: 9:00 AM Coffee Break @ Bethel
 6:30 PM Cadets @ The Union
 6:30 PM GEMS Pajama Night @ Bethel
Sunday: 8:30 AM 11th & 12th Grade Catechism
 9:30 AM Worship Service

Next Week

Accompanist

Lois Mulder

Livestream

Rachel Hoffman

Coffee

Mike and Bonnie Vander Berg

PPT

Cody Van Herwaarden

Children’s Worship

Mackenzie Mulder, Hailey Bresser,
 Levi Holbach

Sound System

Joe Bresser

Nursery

Jenna Mulder, Jessica Ten Pass,
 Heidi Schaver

Transportation

Bob Mulder

Ushers

Brian and Cody Van Herwaarden

Office hours: Thursdays, 10 AM to 2 PM

All announcements are due in the office by noon Thursday

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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)

Christ Our Hope In Life And Death

Verse 1: What is our hope in life and death - Christ alone Christ alone
What is our only confidence - That our souls to Him belong
Who holds our days within His hand - What comes apart from His command
And what will keep us to the end - The love of Christ in which we stand

Chorus: O sing hallelujah - Our hope springs eternal - O sing hallelujah
Now and ever we confess - Christ our hope in life and death

Verse 2: What truth can calm the troubled soul - God is good God is good
Where is His grace and goodness known - In our great Redeemer's blood
Who holds our faith when fears arise - Who stands above the stormy trial
Who sends the waves that bring us nigh - Unto the shore the rock of Christ

Verse 3: Unto the grave what will we sing - Christ He lives Christ He lives
And what reward will heaven bring - Everlasting life with Him
There we will rise to meet the Lord - Then sin and death will be destroyed
And we will feast in endless joy - When Christ is ours forevermore

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Jesus Messiah

Verse 1: He became sin who knew no sin - That we might become His
righteousness - He humbled Himself and carried the cross
Love so amazing love so amazing

Chorus: Jesus Messiah Name above all names
Blessed Redeemer Emmanuel - The Rescue for sinners
The Ransom from heaven - Jesus Messiah Lord of all

Verse 2: His body the bread His blood the wine - Broken and poured out all
for love - The whole earth trembled and the veil was torn
Love so amazing love so amazing

Bridge: All our hope is in You- All our hope is in You
All the glory to You God - The Light of the world

Ending: Jesus Messiah - Lord of all - The Lord of all - The Lord of all

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Behold The Lamb

Verse 1: Behold the Lamb who bears our sins away - Slain for us and we remember - The promise made that all who come in faith
Find forgiveness at the cross - So we share in this Bread of Life
And we drink of His sacrifice - As a sign of our bonds of peace
Around the table of the King

Verse 2: The body of our Saviour Jesus Christ - Torn for you eat and remember - The wounds that heal the death that brings us life
Paid the price to make us one - So we share in this Bread of Life
And we drink of His sacrifice - As a sign of our bonds of love
Around the table of the King

Verse 3: The blood that cleanses every stain of sin - Shed for you drink and remember - He drained death's cup that all may enter in
To receive the life of God - So we share in this Bread of Life
And we drink of His sacrifice - As a sign of our bonds of grace
Around the table of the King

Verse 4: And so with thankfulness and faith we rise - To respond and to remember - Our call to follow in the steps of Christ
As His body here on earth - As we share in His suffering
We proclaim Christ will come again - And we'll join in the feast of heaven
Around the table of the King

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How Deep The Father's Love For Us

Verse 1: How deep the Father's love for us - How vast beyond all measure
That He should give His only Son - To make a wretch His treasure
How great the pain of searing loss - The Father turns His face away
As wounds which mar the Chosen One - Bring many sons to glory

Verse 2: Behold the Man upon a cross - My sin upon His shoulders
Ashamed I hear my mocking voice - Call out among the scoffers
It was my sin that held Him there - Until it was accomplished
His dying breath has brought me life - I know that it is finished

Verse 3: I will not boast in anything - No gifts no pow'r no wisdom
But I will boast in Jesus Christ - His death and resurrection
Why should I gain from His reward - I cannot give an answer
But this I know with all my heart - His wounds have paid my ransom

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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