

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, large-print, and children's 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: "I Sing the Mighty Power of God" R128:1-2

"Great and Mighty" R129

"All Heaven Declares"

"Living Hope"

Confession and Assurance

Congregational Prayer

Offering for the Local Budget and Pregnancy Support Center of
Dodge County

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

*Scripture Reading: 2 Corinthians 1:20-22

Message: "Yes and Amen"

Prayer

*Song of Response: "Great is Thy Faithfulness" R139

*Benediction

*Closing Song: "Benediction"

*Postlude

Taking part in worship today:

- Worship Leader and Sermon:
Pastor Bill Zuhlke
- Accompanist: Marlyce Mulder
- Media Team: Tyler Ten Pass, Katie DeJager, Gladys Montsma
- Coffee: Bob and Michelle Mulder
- Children's Worship: Stacy Schaver, Rachel Hoffman, Ellie Mulder
- Nursery: Casey Homan, Hollie Ganz, Morgan Buwalda

- Transportation: Bob Mulder
- Ushers: Ryer Greenfield, Tom Jonker

Missionary Letters

C Groen to Neen/Angel*
L Groenewold 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 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:

- **Josie Buiter**, young granddaughter of Steve and Heidi Smits, heart surgery recovery.
- **Rachel Hoffman**, after more detailed cancer scans, is planning to have a double mastectomy likely in May.
- **Ray Hofman**, under hospice care at home.
- **Shirley Otto**, broken ankle recovery.
- **Gardie Ten Pas**, recovery from knee replacement surgery.
- **Gregg Zonnefeld**, surgical biopsy this past week. Any next steps depend on the results.

Pastor Greg began a vacation week this past Thursday and after a fifth Sunday weekend, he plans to return to the office on Monday, March 31.

Church News

Upcoming Worship Highlights

- March 30—Guest pastor
- April 6—Conclusion of That Old Time Religion Lent sermon series.
- April 13—Palm Sunday, with Children singing
- April 18, 6:30 PM—Good Friday Tenebrae service with Lord's Supper and Men's Chorus
- April 20—Easter, with choir
- April 27—GEMS Sunday
- May 1—Waupun Ministers' Association National Day of Prayer Service at City Hall, 6 PM
- May 4 AM—Central Wisconsin Christian New Generation Singers in worship
- May 4 PM—Prayer and Praise Service, 6 PM

There is no Sunday School or Catechism this week or next week due to Spring Break!

Based on a request to the elders for another profession of faith class in the near future, the elders are going to hold a class this summer. Pastor Greg will be doing the scheduling, so please reach out to him if you'd like to participate.

Worship Team. The First CRC Worship Team is always looking for more people to get involved in leading the several songs we sing each worship service. Please contact Pastor Greg if you are interested in participating, whether with your voice or instrument or both!

Looking for a little help with spring cleaning or yard projects? The Belize Mission Team students would love to help you! On Saturday, April 5, from 9:00 AM-4:00 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. Spots are filling up fast!

The Belize Mission Team students are raising funds not only to help pay for their trip but to bless the people of Corozal, Belize and New Jerusalem Church. To do that, we are selling "Go Tell It" Isaiah 52:7 insulated 20 oz tumblers, 32 oz water bottles, hats, and t-shirts. If you're interested in ordering, please contact Jen Vlietstra, one of the team members going to Belize, or you can see our table set up by the mission trip board at Bethel for details, to see a demo tumbler and sign up.

Do you have a heart for youth in our community and church family? Our youth groups are looking for new team members for the 2025-2026 school year and would love to have you join us! To learn a little more about youth ministry, we invite you to join us and check it out. The next middle school youth group (SWaT) night is Wednesday, April 9, @ Bethel from 6:30-7:30 or you can hang out with the high schoolers for a 10:24 (small group study) night on Sunday, April 6 or April 27 @ Bethel from 7:00-8:30 PM. Reach out to Jen Vlietstra, Tyler TenPass, or Bryant Greenfield to learn more about this fun opportunity!

Community News

Alto Reformed Church Men's Chorus Program - You're invited to attend the Men's Chorus Program on Sunday, April 6, at 7 PM at Alto Reformed Church, N3697 County Road EE, Waupun.

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!

Connections Breakfast: Just a reminder that we will not be hosting a ONE Waupun Breakfast in March because of the work we are putting into the conference. The April Breakfast is scheduled for April 12.

Benvenuto's Italian Restaurant in Beaver Dam and The Pregnancy Support Center of Dodge County are partnering for a Dining Day on Monday, April 14, from 11 AM to 10 PM. Just mention PSCDC and Benvenuto's will donate 20% of your purchase to PSCDC.

Aging and Disability Resource Center of Fond du Lac County has some events coming up:

- **Our Aging Advocacy Day Meet & Greet** – Aging Advocacy Day, is your chance to share your story with state legislators about issues affecting older adults and caregivers in Wisconsin. The Meet & Greet Events (April 10 and 11) are where you can learn more about Aging Advocacy Day or request transportation to Madison for Aging Advocacy Day. See the flyer on the table in the narthex to learn more about it.
- **Powerful Tools for Caregivers (PTC)** is a 6-week class created to help anyone who is a caregiver take care of themselves while taking care of others. Starting May 1, the class will be held Thursdays from 5-6:30 PM at the Waupun Community Center. To register call ADRC of Fond du Lac County, 920-929-3466.

Calendar

Today:	9:30 AM	Worship Service
	7:00 PM	Youth Group Small Groups @ Bethel
Wednesday:	9:00 AM	Coffee Break @ Bethel
Sunday:	9:30 AM	Worship Service

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

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Next Week

Accompanist

Lois Mulder

Livestream

Brad Mulder

Coffee

George and Karen Aalsma

PPT

Lois Mulder

Children's Worship

Sarah Schuringa, Casey Homan,
Jules Mulder

Sound System

Pete Vander Werff

Nursery

Mackenzie Mulder, Lynnae Franken,
Joy Mulder

Transportation

Bob Mulder

Ushers

Owen 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)

All Heaven Declares

Verse 1: All heaven declares - The glory of the risen Lord
Who can compare with - The beauty of the Lord

Chorus 1: Forever He will be - The Lamb upon the throne
I gladly bow the knee - And worship Him alone

Verse 2: I will proclaim - The glory of the risen Lord
Who once was slain - To reconcile man to God

Chorus 2: Forever You will be - The Lamb upon the throne
I gladly bow the knee - And worship You alone

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Living Hope

Verse 1: How great the chasm that lay between us - How high the mountain I could not climb - In desperation I turned to heaven
And spoke Your name into the night - Then through the darkness Your loving-kindness - Tore through the shadows of my soul - The work is finished the end is written - Jesus Christ my living hope

Verse 2: Who could imagine so great a mercy - What heart could fathom such boundless grace - The God of ages stepped down from glory
To wear my sin and bear my shame - The cross has spoken I am forgiven
The King of kings calls me His own - Beautiful Savior I'm Yours forever
Jesus Christ my living hope

Chorus: Hallelujah praise the One who set me free
Hallelujah death has lost its grip on me - You have broken every chain
There's salvation in Your name - Jesus Christ my living hope

Verse 3: Then came the morning that sealed the promise
Your buried body began to breathe - Out of the silence the Roaring Lion
Declared the grave has no claim on me - Jesus Yours is the victory

Ending: Jesus Christ my living hope - Oh God You are my living hope

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Benediction

Verse 1: May the peace of God our heav'nly Father
And the grace of Christ the risen Son - And the fellowship of God the Spirit
Keep our hearts and minds within His love

Chorus: And to Him be praise for His glorious reign
From the depths of earth to the heights of heav'n
We declare the name of the Lamb once slain
Christ eternal the King of kings

Verse 2: May this peace which passes understanding
And this grace which makes us what we are
And this fellowship of His communion
Make us one in spirit and in heart

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Greetings from the Philippines

We're writing to update you on the ministry. Despite facing some health and financial challenges, God has been so good to us. We're thankful for His unwavering presence.

Our work continues; I've been visiting and sharing the gospel with men in prison, and it's been a blessing to see their faith grow. We also minister to those in need and those with mental illness.

Thank you for your continued support. Though facing some health challenges, God's grace enables me to continue serving Him. My recent cardiology checkup showed my medication remains unchanged. Unfortunately, the medication is expensive, and our funds are low. I would be so grateful if you could pray for healing; my electrocardiogram result still shows a heart problem.

However, this won't hinder our ministry. Sharing the good news with men in prison and those we help is a deep burden on my heart. Through these trials, God's goodness remains constant. He has given me the faith to persevere, and I trust Him completely. I pray that when these trials are over, I will be an even stronger child of His.

We're deeply grateful for your compassion and willingness to share our burdens. May God continue to bless you and your family always.

With our love and prayer
Neen and Angel

Thought for this month: It is the Lord's mercies that we are not consumed, because his compassions fail not. They are new every morning great is thy faithfulness. Lamentation 3:22-23

Sermon Notes