

3/31/2024

# 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](http://www.waupuncrc.com) or call (920-324-2898) or email the church office ([waupuncrc@gmail.com](mailto: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](mailto: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](http://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**

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**PO Box 32, Waupun**

## 9:30 AM Easter Worship Service

\* Please stand if you are able.

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

\*God's Greeting

\*Songs of Easter Praise: "Christ the Lord is Risen Today" G388:1-4  
"The Day of Resurrection" G390:1, 3

Ministry of Music: "Glorious Day"

\*Songs of Worship: "See What a Morning (Resurrection Hymn)"  
"In Christ Alone" "Living Hope"

Congregational Prayer

\*Songs of Praise: "The Strife is O'er, the Battle Done" G391:1, 2, 5  
"Low in the Grace Christ Lay" G396

Offering: Local Budget and the Dodge County Pregnancy Center

Song of Worship: "Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks" G402: 1, 2, 5  
*Children ages 3-6 are invited to children's worship*

\*Scripture Reading: Matthew 28

Message: "The Compelling Strategy of Easter"

Prayer

\*Song of Worship: "Come, You Faithful Raise the Strain" G389  
*(all are welcome during this song to join the Walk-Up choir to sing the Hallelujah Chorus)*

\*Benediction

\*Doxology: "The Hallelujah Chorus"

\*Postlude

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### **Taking part in worship today:**

- Sermon and Worship Leader: Pastor Greg Schuringa
- Ministry of Music: Choir (Nikki Durni, Director)
- Accompanist: Cara Schmitt
- Worship Team: Pastor Greg; Cara Schmitt (piano); Nikki Durni (acoustic guitar); Kim and Megan Greenfield, Rachel Hoffman, Pete Vander Werff (vocalists)
- Media Team: Pete Vander Werff, Cody Van Herwaarden, Randall Greenfield
- Coffee: Randall & Kim Greenfield
- Children's Worship: Becca Vree, Olivia Vander Werff, Troy Hoffman
- Nursery: Hailey Wagner, Andrea Buwalda, Heidi Schaver
- Transportation: Bob Mulder
- Ushers: Ryer Greenfield, Tom Jonker

## **Missionary Letters**

B Homan to Neen

E Homan 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 (Dodge County Pregnancy Center for March; CWC for April), 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.



**Update on the Church Parking Lot Resurfacing Project:** \$76,382.79 (95%) raised of estimated \$80,000.

## **Our Family**

**As you pray this week, please remember the following:**

- **Kathy Kamphuis**, cancer treatments.
- **Pat Loomans**, next steps after therapy at the Christian Home.
- **Dewey Pausma**, recovery from heart surgery.
- **Kaytlin Ruis**, knee surgery recovery.
- **Ken Ten Pas**, further testing, specialist appointment.
- **Laura Ten Pass**, much leg pain, radiation treatments began this past Wednesday.
- **Gregg Zonnefeld**, surgery recovery, radiation treatments to start on April 9.

## **Church News**

### **Upcoming Worship Highlights**

- April 7: Guest Pastor, Grant Kemink
- April 14: "Miracles in Matthew" sermon series begins.
- May 2: Thursday 6 PM, National Day of Prayer Service at Waupun City Hall auditorium with Waupun Churches.

**If you are interested in membership at First CRC**, please contact Pastor Greg Schuringa.

**If you are interested in profession of faith**, please contact Scott Ritzema.

**Did you know that we have an exciting summer SERVE trip** planned for our high school youth group students? This summer, July 27 through August 3, we will have 19 students and 4 adults (ages 21 or older) traveling to the Greater Minneapolis/Saint Paul area on SERVE and blessing the community with the love of Christ. But we cannot do it without you! We need one more woman and two men to join us as youth leaders for the week. If you're interested, please reach out to Jen Vlietstra, Noah Mulder, or Bryant Greenfield THIS WEEK! Registration is due April 1st.

**The Bethel/First CRC high school youth group will be hosting a Wall O' Money fundraiser!** Funds will go towards SERVE and summer missions. To help our students, pick an envelope from the back of church with the corresponding dollar amount you'd like to donate. Then put your money in the envelope and drop it in the offering plate. Checks can be made out to BYPS. The fundraiser runs from Monday, April 1, through Monday, April 15. Thank you in advance for your generosity!

**We'd like to extend a humble thank you** to the people of First CRC for your recent contribution to the **Luke Society**. We are reminded during this Lenten season of how Christ gave up the riches of heaven to come down to earth and suffer a humiliating death on the cross for us. In a similar way, many of our directors have given up status and wealth as doctors to serve the least of these brothers through servant leadership. Your gifts will support the continued work of these men and women as they bring that Gospel message across the world through physical and spiritual healing.

**Please mark your calendars for our annual high school youth group spaghetti supper**, Wednesday, April 24, serving from 5:30-7:00 PM or until we run out of food! Dine-in or carry out. Funds from the supper go towards funding our annual youth group expenses such as lessons, activities, and FOOD...what high schooler doesn't like pizza?!

**REGISTRATION for Camp Calvin 2024** is officially open! Please register online today. Camp Calvin is a Christian overnight summer camp for youth entering 4<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> grades. Camp Calvin will be held June 16-21, 2024, at Spencer Lake in Waupaca, WI. For more information, photos, questions, or to register, please visit [CampCalvin.com](http://CampCalvin.com).

**VOLUNTEERS are needed for Camp Calvin.** We are searching for volunteers to work alongside us, who love Jesus and share our passion and joy for serving our campers. Anyone interested in serving at Camp Calvin can complete an online [campcalvin.com/Volunteer](http://campcalvin.com/Volunteer) Application.

## Community News

**Benvenuto's Italian Restaurant in Beaver Dam, and the Pregnancy Support Center of Dodge County** are partnering up for a Dining Day on Tuesday, April 9, from 11 AM to 10 PM. Just mention PSCDC. Benvenutos will then donate 20% of your purchase to PSCDC. This offer applies to dine-in, carry-out, and/or delivery. We hope to see you there!

**Our Home Christian Ministries** is a ministry of Christian Adult Family Homes in Oostburg, Wisconsin, for adults with developmental disabilities. Our Home is hiring a full-time resident manager to provide care for four adults with developmental disabilities. Benefits include salary, housing, and utilities. Job description includes care of residents, cooking, cleaning, leadership, medication administration, etc. Training provided. We are looking for someone with strengths in communication, compassion, leadership, paperwork, organization and teamwork. Unique opportunity for doing ministerial work at home. Please contact Kristin Rozenboom at 920-564-6933 for [office@ourhomecm.com](mailto:office@ourhomecm.com) for more information.

You can support the **Pregnancy Support Center of Dodge County** on Monday, April 22, from 4-8 PM at the Pizza Ranch in Beaver Dam. All tips and a percentage of sales will go to PSCDC.

**Randolph Christian School is accepting applications** for the following positions for the 2024-2025 school year: Cross-Categorical Special Education Teacher and a Middle School Math and Science Teacher, both are full-time positions. Please visit our website [randolphchristian.org/](http://randolphchristian.org/) employment to fill out an application. You may also send a resume to Laura Westra at [lwestra@randolphchristian.org](mailto:lwestra@randolphchristian.org). Please call the office at 920-326-3320 if you have any questions or would like to learn more.

**Stepping On** (April 18 – May 30 | 1:00–3:00 PM at the ADRC of Fond du Lac County) This workshop is a falls prevention class that meets 2 hours a week for 7 weeks. Stepping On will help you build confidence in your ability to manage your falls risk. See the flyer on the table in the narthex for more information. \*Seating is limited for the class. Call the ADRC at 920-929-3466 for more questions or to reserve your seat.

## Calendar

|                   |          |                                   |
|-------------------|----------|-----------------------------------|
| <b>Today:</b>     | 9:30 AM  | Worship Service                   |
|                   | 10:45 AM | Sunday School/Catechism           |
| <b>Wednesday:</b> | 9:00 AM  | Coffee Break at Bethel CRC        |
|                   | 1:00 PM  | Ladies Bible Study                |
|                   | 6:30 PM  | GEMS – Pajama Night at Bethel CRC |

6:30 PM Cadets at The Union  
 6:30 PM Youth Group at The Union  
 6:30 PM Elders Meeting  
**Sunday:** 8:30 AM 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> Grade Catechism  
 9:30 AM Worship Service  
 10:45 AM Sunday School/Catechism

**Next Week**

**Accompanist**

Brenda Hofman

**Livestream**

Scott Ritzema

**Coffee**

Bob and Michelle Mulder

**PPT**

Beth Schlieve

**Children's Worship**

Stacey Schaver, Jenna Schouten,  
 Kase Buwalda

**Sound System**

Joe Bresser

**Nursery**

Beth Schlieve, Emily Mulder, Kolten  
 Buwalda

**Transportation**

Bob Mulder

**Ushers**

Ben Mulder, Brad Schouten

| Care Group | Elder                  | Deacon                |
|------------|------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1          | Keith Buwalda (2025)   | Todd Schouten (2024)  |
| 2          | Brian O'Donovan (2026) | Tyler Jansen (2025)   |
| 3          | Bob Mulder (2025)      | Todd Schouten (2024)  |
| 4          | George Aalsma (2024)   | Mitch Vree (2025)     |
| 5          | Dan Scheuers (2025)    | Tyler Ten Pass (2024) |
| 6          | Al Venhuizen (2026)    | Mike Hoffman (2026)   |
| 7          | Brad Schouten (2026)   | Kirk Van Buren (2026) |
| 8          | Ray Hofman (2024)      | Tyler Ten Pass (2024) |

**See What a Morning (Resurrection Hymn)**

**Verse 1:** See what a morning gloriously bright - With the dawning of hope in Jerusalem - Folded the grave-clothes tomb filled with light  
 As the angels announce Christ is risen - See God's salvation plan wrought in love - Borne in pain paid in sacrifice - Fulfilled in Christ the Man for He lives  
 Christ is risen from the dead

**Verse 2:** See Mary weeping where is He laid - As in sorrow she turns from the empty tomb - Hears a voice speaking calling her name  
 It's the Master the Lord raised to life again - The voice that spans the years  
 Speaking life stirring hope bringing peace to us - Will sound till He appears  
 For He lives Christ is risen from the dead

**Verse 3:** One with the Father Ancient of Days - Through the Spirit who clothes faith with certainty - Honour and blessing glory and praise  
To the King crowned with pow'r and authority - And we are raised with Him  
Death is dead love has won Christ has conquered - And we shall reign with Him - For He lives Christ is risen from the dead

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## In Christ Alone

**Verse 1:** In Christ alone my hope is found - He is my light my strength my song - This Cornerstone this solid Ground - Firm through the fiercest drought and storm - What heights of love what depths of peace - When fears are stilled when strivings cease - My Comforter my All in All - Here in the love of Christ I stand

**Verse 2:** In Christ alone who took on flesh - Fullness of God in helpless babe  
This gift of love and righteousness - Scorned by the ones He came to save  
Till on that cross as Jesus died - The wrath of God was satisfied  
For every sin on Him was laid - Here in the death of Christ I live

**Verse 3:** There in the ground His body lay - Light of the world by darkness slain - Then bursting forth in glorious Day - Up from the grave He rose again  
And as He stands in victory - Sin's curse has lost its grip on me  
For I am His and He is mine - Bought with the precious blood of Christ

**Verse 4:** No guilt in life no fear in death - This is the power of Christ in me  
From life's first cry to final breath - Jesus commands my destiny  
No power of hell no scheme of man - Can ever pluck me from His hand  
Till He returns or calls me home - Here in the power of Christ I'll stand

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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 (REPEAT)  
Jesus Yours is the victory whoa

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

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## Sermon Notes