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 $-\,5^{\text{th}}$ 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 (waupuncrc.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 (waupuncrc@gmail.com) or Pastor Greg Schuringa (pastorgreg@waupuncrc.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: "Great Things"
 "How Deep"

"Only a Holy God"

God's Will for Our Lives

Congregational Prayer

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

Song of Worship: "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" G568

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

*Scripture Reading: I John 4:7-12

Message: "That Old Time Religion #3: Tried and True Practices of the Faith—Sacrificial Love"

Prayer

*Song of Dedication: "Spirit of the Living God" G424

*Benediction

*Closing Song: "Benediction"

*Postlude

Taking part in worship today:

- Worship Leader and Sermon: Pastor Greg Schuringa
- Accompanist: Lois Mulder
- Worship Team: Pastor Greg; Matt Bulthuis (guitar); Hanna Marra (percussion); Grace Bruins, Kevin Buwalda (vocalists)
- Media Team: Joe Bresser, Cody Van Herwaarden, Rachel Hoffman
- Coffee: Mike & Bonnie Vander Berg
- Children's Worship: Mackenzie Mulder, Hailey Bressser, Levi Holbach

- Nursery: Jenna Mulder, Jessica Ten Pass, Heidi Schaver
- Transportation: Bob Mulder
- Ushers: Brian and Cody Van Herwaarden

Missionary Letters

C Greenfield to Neen/Angel* G Greenfield 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

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.

	February	Fiscal YTD (7/1 to 2/28)	YTD Budget (7/1 to 2/28)	% of YTD Budget
General Fund	\$14,856.23	\$221,613.12	\$236,690.54	93.63%
Building Fund	\$413.03	\$6,960.48	\$21,980.00	31.67%
Classical	\$863.59	\$8,467.38	\$16,622.00	50.94%
Denominational	\$583.63	\$10,147.43	\$16,666.66	60.88%
Faith Promise	\$929.23	\$10,699.86	\$9,600.00	111.46%
Most Needed	\$554.20	\$38,899.19	N/A	N/A
Benevolent	\$578.74	\$27,359.14	N/A	N/A
Beautiful Response (Monthly Cause)	\$881.00	N/A	N/A	N/A
Total *	\$23,388.85	\$397,432.37	N/A	N/A

^{*} Total is all offerings received including designations to specific funds not listed above

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.
- Lois Mulder, mother, Gert, in hospice care after a stroke.
- Shirley Otto, broken ankle recovery.
- **Ken Ten Pas**, home, getting therapy.
- Gregg Zonnefeld, continued good health.

Directory Update: Junice Rens has a new address: Prairie Ridge, 819 Wilcox St., Apt 22, Waupun.

On behalf of the Pregnancy Center of Dodge County we would like to thank everyone for donating to the "Share the Love" event. Many great donations were received. Thank you.

Church News

Upcoming Worship Highlights

• 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 leading the several songs we sing each worship service. Please contact Pastor Greg if you are interested in participating.

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. Dine-in or take it to go! 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! 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.

Do you have a heart for youth in our community and church family? We're 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 PM or hang out with the high schoolers for a 10:24 (small group study) night on Sunday, March 16, or April 6, @ Bethel from 7:00-8:30 PM. Reach out to Jen Vlietstra or Bryant Greenfield to learn more about this great opportunity!

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

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.

The 8th Graders of Central Wisconsin Christian Present: 'Bedtime Stories (As Told by Our Dad) (Who Got Them Wong) by Ed Monk on Thursday, March 20, at 6:30 PM. "It's Dad's turn to tell his three rambunctious kids their bedtime stories, but when he gets fuzzy on the details, the classics get creative: a prince with a snoring problem spices up The Princess and The Pea, The Boy Who Cried Wolf cries dinosaur instead, and Rumpelstiltskin helps turn all that pesky gold into straw. You may think you know your fairy tales, but not the way Dad tells them!" You don't want to miss this night of fun! A free will donation will be taken to help off-set the cost of the production.

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

Calendar

Today:	9:30 AM	Worship Service
	10:45 AM	Sunday School/Catechism
	7:00 PM	Youth Group Community Worship @ Bethel
Wednesday:	9:00 AM	Coffee Break @ Bethel
	6:30 PM	Women's Bible Study (Upper Room)
	6:30 PM	Men's Bible Study (Lower Level)
Sunday:	8:30 AM	11 th & 12 th Grade Catechism
	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

PO Box 32, Waupun

Next Week

Accompanist Livestream

Cara Schmitt Randall Greenfield

Coffee PPT

Randall and Kim Greenfield Ryer Greenfield

Children's WorshipBecca Vree, Grace Bruins, Kase
Tyler Ten Pass

Buwalda

Transportation

Nursery Bob Mulder

Hailey Bresser, Emily Mulder, Elsa

Homan

Ben Mulder,	Andy	Schlieve
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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)	

Ushers

Great Things

Verse 1: Come let us worship our King - Come let us bow at His feet He has done great things - See what our Savior has done See how His love overcomes - He has done great things He has done great things

Chorus: O Hero of Heaven You conquered the grave - You free every captive and break every chain - O God You have done great things - We dance in Your freedom awake and alive - O Jesus our Savior Your name lifted high - O God You have done great things

Verse 2: You've been faithful through every storm - You'll be faithful forevermore - You have done great things - And I know You will do it again

For Your promise is yes and amen - You will do great things God You do great things

Bridge: Hallelujah God above it all - Hallelujah God unshakable Hallelujah You have done great things - (REPEAT) You've done great things

Ending: You have done great things -O God You do great things

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Only A Holy God

Verse 1: Who else commands all the hosts of heaven Who else could make every king bow down Who else can whisper and darkness trembles - Only a Holy God

Verse 2: What other beauty demands such praises What other splendour outshines the sun What other majesty rules with justice - Only a Holy God

Chorus: Come and behold Him - The One and the Only Cry out sing holy - Forever a Holy God Come and worship the Holy God

Verse 3: What other glory consumes like fire What other power can raise the dead What other name remains undefeated - Only a Holy God

Verse 4: Who else could rescue me from my failing Who else would offer His only Son Who else invites me to call Him Father Only a Holy God - Only my Holy God

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Behold Our God

Verse 1: Who has held the oceans in His hands Who has numbered every grain of sand Kings and nations tremble at His voice - All creation rises to rejoice

Chorus: Behold our God seated on His throne - Come let us adore Him Behold our King nothing can compare - Come let us adore Him

Verse 2: Who has given counsel to the Lord

Who can question any of His words - Who can teach the One who knows all things - Who can fathom all His wondrous deeds

Verse 3: Who has felt the nails upon His hands
Bearing all the guilt of sinful man - God eternal humbled to the grave
Jesus Savior risen now to reign

Bridge: You will reign forever (Let Your glory fill the earth) You will reign forever (Let Your glory fill)

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How Deep

Verse 1: You were broken that I might be healed - You were cast off that I might draw near - You were thirsty that I might come drink Cried out in anguish that I might sing

Chorus: How deep is Your love - How high and how wide is Your mercy How deep is Your grace - Our hearts overflow with praise to You

Verse 2: Oh You knew darkness that I might know light - Wept great tears that mine might be dried - Stripped of glory that I might be clothed Crushed by Your Father to call me Your own

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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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