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.



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: "By Faith" "Who You Say I Am"

"He Will Hold Me Fast"

Profession of Our Faith – Article 34 of the Belgic Confession

Baptisms of Cole Robert Coda and Maeve Lynn Ganz

Song of Dedication: "Standing on the Promises" R410:1-2

Congregational Prayer

Offering: Local Budget and Central Wisconsin Christian School Song of Worship: "Standing on the Promises" R410:3-5

Children ages 3-6 are invited to Children's Worship while we sing *Scripture: 2 Corinthians 1:12 – 2:4

Message: "2 Corinthians #2: What God's 'Yes!' in Jesus Means for You"

Prayer

*Song of Response: "How Firm a Foundation" G500:1, 2, 5

*Benediction

*Closing Song: "Go My Children, with My Blessing"

*Postlude

Taking part in worship today:

- Worship Leader and Sermon: Pastor Greg Schuringa
- Scripture Reading: Kevin Buwalda
- Accompanist: Laura Ten Pass
- Worship Team: Pastor Schuringa, Laura Ten Pass (piano), Craig Slings (acoustic guitar and vocals), Megan Greenfield, Jessica and Tyler Ten Pass (vocalists)
- Media Team: Pete Vander Werff, Ryer Greenfield, Gregg Zonnefeld

- Coffee: Bob and Michelle Mulder
- Nursery: Phylicia Coda, Jessica Ten Pass, Elliana Mulder
- Children's Worship: Emily Mulder, Avery Slings, Kolten Buwalda
- Ushers: Owen Mulder, Brad Schouten

Missionary Letters

- A Montsma to Neen
- D Montsma 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 1st Sunday and the month's special offering the remaining Sundays (Central Wisconsin Christian School for April; Elim for May), 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.

Our Family

As you pray this week, please remember the following:

- Harold Greenfield and Kathy Kamphuis, both dealing with cancer.
- Dick Heeringa, in rehab.
- Leanne Huizinga, recovery from knee replacement surgery.
- Margaret Miedema, surgery for blocked abdominal arteries this Thursday.
- Laura Ten Pass, undergoing cancer treatments.

Church News

Upcoming Worship Highlights

- April 30: 9:30 AM, 75th Anniversary Worship Celebration at Central Wisconsin Christian School
- May 7, 9:30 AM: GEMS Girls Club Sunday at First
- May 7, 6:00 PM: Service of Prayer and Praise
- May 21, 9:30 AM: Ascension Day Focus, Youth Service

Please note that this is the last week of Sunday School and Catechism for children up through 10th grade. The 11th and 12th graders still have a few weeks to go.

Updates from the **BBO Philippines** and the **New Life Church in Ukraine** are available on the table in the narthex.

The Outreach Team will be hosting several church/neighborhood events this summer. Please mark these dates on your calendars! We will need help with these events so please consider offering help and keeping an eye for emails and bulletin announcements!

- June 3: Car wash and Brat Fry (10-2)
- July 12: Kidz Zone-Hayday-Growing in Friendship with Jesus (6:30-8:30)

- July 19: Kidz Zone (6:30-8:30)-Hayday-Growing in Friendship with Jesus (6:30-8:30)
- August 26: Block Party (4-8)

Parents: If your child goes to **Camp Calvin**, please submit your receipt to Keren Derksen for reimbursement.

Another busy school year is wrapping up next month and with it the youth ministry groups. Please continue to keep the students, Sunday school teachers and youth group leaders in your prayers that we can finish strong with joy and excitement for our faith walk.

Please help fill a care closet at Dodge County Child Services. Any child

who enters foster care will receive items such as clothing, hygiene care, feeding items, shoes, or toys. Some children come into foster homes with nothing. There is currently a Baby Shower to help meet needs. Specific items needed are newborn- 2T sleep items. Please let Andrea Buwalda know if you have any questions. A tub will be in the narthex for donations until May 7.



Upcoming Men's Bible Study: we hope and plan to offer a Men's Bible Study at First at the end of this calendar year. If you are interested in such a study for men, please contact Lois in the office at waupuncrc@gmail.com or 920-324-2898 so we can keep you in mind and make plans.

The **Waupun Christian Ministerial Association** invites you to join with the Waupun Churches for a prayer service on the **National Day of Prayer at 6 PM, Thursday, May 4,** in the **Waupun City Hall Auditorium**. If there are enough singers from the churches there will be a choir song in that service. Rehearsal will be the evening before at the United Methodist Church. Please let Lois in our church office know if you want to participate so we can gather numbers from First CRC for that possible choir.

Mark your calendars for Sunday, May 7, at 6 PM for a Prayer and Praise Service at First CRC. We plan to have a hymn sing and a time of prayer together, in light of the National Day of Prayer a few days before on May 4. Different church members will lead us in prayer for our Church, our Community, our Nation, and our World. **Parents:** If your child goes to **Camp Calvin**, please submit your receipt to Keren Derksen for reimbursement.

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Mark your calendars to join us Friday, May 5, for a fun night out at the youth group end-of-year FUNdraiser!

- Who? The entire First & Bethel congregation is encouraged to come out as well as all the youth group families!
- What? Freewill donation Walking Tacos supper served by students, Council vs. Senior Class volleyball game, and baked good auction!
- Where? CWC Commons and gym
- When? Friday, May 5; we'll start serving supper at 6:00 PM and serve until we run out.
- Why? Fellowship, Fun & Food

For further information and details, please contact Bryant Greenfield, Lydia Greenfield, or Noah Mulder. Hope to see you there!

We will do a special packing for Ukraine on May 6 from 9-3. Because the need is still so great, we are hoping to pack 80,000 oatmeal meals, and 20,000 rice meals. Because of the increased shipping costs and great need, all participants are asked to bring money and/or these needed items: Costco (Kirkland) or Huggies diapers, all feminine hygiene products, toothpaste and toothbrushes, bar soap, sturdy combs, nail clippers, towels, wash cloths, band-aids, plastic soap dishes, small tissue packs. Winter/ summer children's, infants/toddlers and men's clothing; winter coats, boots, tennis shoes, mittens, gloves, hats, scarves for all. New socks and underwear. Quilts, blankets, and bedding. New pillows. Ladies clothing is NOT needed. All clothing should be in new or like-new condition. Expiration date should be at least one year out. We ask that donated items be dropped off at Pella Lutheran Church Monday-Thursday (May 1-4) from 9:00-3:00. If you are able to help pack meals, please sign up through Pella's office. Any questions, contact Susan Buwalda at 920-324-3929.

Community News

Grieving the death of a spouse? Or do you know someone who is? Your life has changed forever. The daily emotions and challenges can seem too hard to bear. Consider attending this encouraging seminar on April 27 from 6-8 PM at Pella Lutheran Church in Waupun.

Camp Calvin 2023 Registration is Open! Please register online today. Camp Calvin is a Christian overnight summer camp for youth entering grades 4-9. This excitement-packed week is filled with fun activities and experiencing God's great outdoors. Join us as we connect with Jesus through amazing worship, singing, and challenging guest speakers! Camp Calvin will be held Sunday, June 18, through Friday, June 23. For registration, camp information, photos, or to contact Camp Calvin with any questions, please visit campcalvin.com.

CWC Annual Meeting: Central Wisconsin Christian will host its Annual Meeting on Wednesday, April 26, at 6:30 PM in the Crusader Centre. This meeting will include approval of the annual budget and board nominees. All supporters of CWC are encouraged to attend and vote. Materials for the meeting will be available online and from the school office.

CWC Grandparents' Day: Grandparents, please join us for a fun day on Friday, April 28. The day will start with classroom visits from 8-10:00 AM and a program of praise will follow. We will be dismissed at 11:30 AM. No RSVPs needed as there is no meal this year. Please note that 3K will hold their grandparents' day on Thursday, April 27. Mrs. Cooper will be in touch with your families.

75th Anniversary Celebration - Central Wisconsin Christian: You are invited to join our 75th Anniversary Celebration on April 29 & 30. Tickets for the banquet can be purchased online: http://bit.ly/CWC75

- Saturday, April 29
 - Campus Tours/Open House 1- 4 PM; tours at 1:30, 2:00, 2:30, and 3:00.
 - Anniversary Banquet Crusader Gym: Punch at 5:30 PM; Dinner at 6:00 PM . Cost \$25/person, program to follow.
- Sunday, April 30: Celebration Worship 9:30 AM Crusader Centre

The Dodge County Pregnancy Support Center (108 Parallel St, Beaver Dam) is having an open house on Saturday, May 6, from 10-2. There will be a plant sale, an opportunity to tour the facility, and have a hot dog or a brat.

<u>Calendar</u>

:30 AM	Worship Service
:45 AM	Sunday School/Catechism
MA 00:	Coffee Break at Bethel CRC
:30 PM	Education Committee Meeting
:30 AM	11 th and 12 th Grade Catechism
:30 AM	Worship Service at CWC
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<u>May 7</u> Accompanist Lois Mulder

Coffee Kim Greenfield

Children's Worship Mackenzie Mulder, Emma Hoffman, Adrianna Schuringa

Nursery Mackenzie Mulder, Aubryn DeJager, Tirzah Ritzema Livestream Mike Vander Berg

PPT Carter Slings

Sound System Tyler Ten Pass

Ushers Gene Hofman, Brian O'Donovan

By Faith

Verse 1: By faith we see the hand of God - In the light of creation's grand design - In the lives of those who prove His faithfulness Who walk by faith and not by sight

Verse 2: By faith our fathers roamed the earth - With the pow'r of His promise in their hearts - Of a holy city built by God's own hand A place where peace and justice reign

Chorus: We will stand as children of the promise - We will fix our eyes on Him our soul's reward - Till the race is finished and the work is done We'll walk by faith and not by sight

Verse 3: By faith the prophets saw a day - When the longed-for Messiah would appear - With the pow'r to break the chains of sin and death And rise triumphant from the grave

Verse 4: By faith the church was called to go - In the pow'r of the Spirit to the lost - To deliver captives and to preach good news In ev'ry corner of the earth

Verse 5: By faith the mountain shall be moved - And the pow'r of the gospel shall prevail - For we know in Christ all things are possible For all who call upon His name

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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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