

5/21/2023

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 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.



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

9:30 AM Worship Service
* Please stand if you are able.

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

*God's Greeting

*Song of Ascension: "Alleluia! Sing to Jesus" G406

*Profession of Our Faith: The Apostles' Creed

God's Will for Our Lives: Ephesians 4:1-8, 11-16

Congregational Prayer

*Songs of Worship: "Christ Our Hope in Life and Death"
"You Are Worthy of My Praise"

Offering: Local Budget and Elim

Song of Christ's Ascension: "Hail the Day That Sees Him Rise" G409
Children ages 3-6 are invited to Children's Worship while we sing

Heidelberg Catechism Lesson: Q&A 46

*Scripture: Luke 24:50-53

Message: "God's Ascension Promises for You"

Prayer

*Song of Response: "Crown Him with Many Crowns" R45:1-3

*Benediction

*Closing Song: "He is Exalted" R36

*Postlude

Taking part in worship today:

- Worship Leader and Sermon: Pastor Greg Schuringa
- Accompanist: Cara Schmitt
- Worship Team: Pastor Schuringa; Cara Schmitt (piano and vocals); Nikki Durni (acoustic guitar and vocals); Megan Greenfield, Michelle Mulder (vocalists)
- Media Team: Pete Vander Werff, Cody Van Herwaarden, Randall Greenfield

- Coffee: Karen Aalsma
- Nursery: Becca Vree, Emily Aalsma, Cassidy Ritzema
- Children's Worship: Stacy Schaver, Sophia Schuringa, Levi Holbach
- Ushers: Arent and Neil Venhuizen

Missionary Letters

Jon Mulder to Neen*

Josephine Mulder 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 (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.

March and April Giving Reports

	March	April	Fiscal Year to Date	Annual Budget
General Fund	19,618	35,680	301,515	310,812
Classis	290	3,725	8,305	20,000
Denomination	430	2,795	8,730	
Building Fund	245	1,145	10,020	
Faith Promise Fund	906	2,783	11,898	12,000
Youth Ministry Fund	20	20	2,075	
Benevolent Fund	25	1,825	9,006	
March Monthly Cause				
Dodge County				
Pregnancy Support	1,827	475		
April Monthly Cause				
Central Wis. Christian		1,578		
	<u>23,361</u>	<u>50,026</u>	<u>351,549</u>	

Our Family

As you pray this week, please remember the following:

- **Trayton Greenfield**, surgery recovery.
- **Dick Heeringa**, adjusting to the Christian Homestead.
- **Pat Jonker**, surgery recovery.
- **Kathy Kamphuis, Laura Ten Pass**, cancer treatments.
- **Shirley Otto**, hospitalized due to pain from a fall.

Pastor Greg Schuringa will begin a study week tomorrow—please contact your elder if you have any pastoral care needs. He plans to resume his regular pastoral duties the week of May 28.

We celebrate with **Thomas and Shar (Bowie) Venhuizen** who were united in marriage Saturday. We pray God's richest blessings on their new family.

We have three members who were married recently or will be in the next few months: Shari Bowie and Thomas Venhuizen, Emma Slings and Andrew Smits, Mikayla Zonnefeld and Trevor Jackson. Help us celebrate with them by placing donated household goods or gift cards in the totes in the narthex by Sunday, May 28—that's next week! Cleaning supplies, popcorn, kitchen utensils, and whatever else you can think of that would show these couples that they are loved.

A Huge Thank You to all the Sunday School and Catechism teachers and substitutes, and the Sunday School song leader and pianists. Your time and efforts are greatly appreciated.

Thank you so much for your donations and help in providing 84,964 bag meals for the Ukrainian Refugees. A rice bag (4,324) meal serves a family of 6 and an oatmeal bag (80,640) feeds a family of 8. That provides a meal for 671,964 hungry people!! These meals and items that were donated will aid the humanitarian relief efforts for our hurting brothers and sisters in Christ. The Orphan Grain Train trailer left Waupun this past Tuesday and will be on its way to Ukraine shortly. Please continue to Pray for the safe delivery of the shipment and the Refugee efforts. On behalf of The Orphan Grain Train organization, Pella Lutheran, Karla Ceman and Susan Buwalda, Thank you again.

Thank you for the recent generosity to Beautiful Response in your February offering donation. Your gift was truly a blessing and we are so grateful. Your generosity allows Beautiful Response to carry out its mission to support and empower our partner organizations, Raising Up Hope for Uganda (RUHU) and Help the Youth (HTY) in Haiti, as they work to meet the needs of their communities. Our partnerships with RUHU and HTY have provided food, housing, medical care, and education to hundreds of vulnerable children in Uganda and Haiti. Your support makes this possible.

Church News

Upcoming Worship Highlights

- May 28, 9:30 AM: Pentecost Sunday with Chuck Adams
- June 4, 9:30 AM: Communion
- June 11, 9:30 AM: Installation of new Elders and Deacons
- June 18, 9:30 AM: Outdoor Worship Service
- June 25, 9:30 AM: Worship at First CRC
- June 25, 11:00 AM: Celebrate Waupun Community Worship Service, hosted by the Waupun Ministers' Association

Summer Outdoor Worship Services on the Lawn: June 18, July 23, and August 27. For these services, please bring your own lawn chairs/blankets. If the weather is poor, the service will be indoors and we plan to postpone the outdoor service to the following Sunday.

We will be honoring our graduates on June 4. If you are graduating from high school or any post-high programs, please submit your picture and future **plans to the office by May 26—that's this week!**

Young Couples Save the Date. Our next gathering is scheduled for Friday evening, June 16.

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)

For the neighborhood car wash and brat fry on Saturday, June 3, 2023, the Outreach Team would like to encourage you to take a look at the times available and be a part of this outreach—**there are still openings and helping hands needed for the car wash.** Thank you for your consideration in helping with this outreach to our community. Go to the sign-up genius link below (or follow the link in the email you received)

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a0849a5ac2aa5fe3-1stcrc1#/>.

The annual Congregational Meeting will be held on Monday, June 5, at 6:30 PM. The installation of new Elders and Deacons will be on June 11.

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.

Community News

CWC High School Commencement: The CWC Board will present the high school class of 2023 at 6:30 PM in the Crusader Centre on May 26. Mr. Dan Ten Napel will address the seniors and encourage them as they prepare to

begin the next chapter of their life, thanking God for his faithfulness and asking Him for continued guidance. Our students appreciate your support!

Golf Outing: Get your team together for CWC's annual TeeltUP event! It will be held at The Rock Golf Club in Waupun on Friday, June 30. To register and/or be a sponsor, go to bit.ly/TeeltUpCWC. We filled up with 36 teams last year, so don't wait!!! All proceeds go to help fund our CWC Athletics. If you have questions, please email our team at TeeltUp@WeAreCWC.org.

Memorial Day Pancake Breakfast: The CWC Booster Club invites you to join in as we celebrate the start of summer with our annual Memorial Day Pancake Breakfast on Monday, May 29. The menu includes pancakes, your choice of regular or loaded scrambled eggs, sausage links, beverages and more. We are serving from 7-9:30 AM at CWC in the Commons and Crusader Centre (please use Event Entrance). The Booster Club has donated over \$25,000 to the new weight room and we hope to pledge more through this event's proceeds. Get your holiday started off right! GO CRUSADERS!

Randolph Christian School is accepting applications for the following positions for the 2023-2024 school year: 4-Year-Old Kindergarten Classroom Teacher (mornings, part-time); Elementary Music, Middle School Choir and Band (both part-time), Middle School Instructional Aide (part-time), Bus Driver (AM and PM route) and Athletic Director. Please visit our website at randolphchristian.org/employment to fill out an application. You may also send a resume to Laura Westra at lwestra@randolphchristian.org. Please call the office at 920-326-3320 if you have any questions or would like to learn more.

On **Saturday, June 10** there will be a **brat fry at Rehek's Food Pride** in Beaver Dam from 9 AM to 2 PM, with proceeds to benefit the **Pregnancy Support Center of Dodge County**.

Benvenuto's Italian Restaurant in Beaver Dam and the **Pregnancy Support Center of Dodge County** are partnering up for a Dining Day on June 13 from 11 AM to 10 PM. Just mention PSCDC. Benvenuto's will then donate a percentage of your purchase to PSCDC. This offer applies to dine-in, carry-out, and delivery.

It's that time of year when we start preparing for **the Summer Bag Lunch Program at The Community Table** where we have the opportunity to bless the children in our community with a lunch. If you would like to volunteer to purchase, prepare and serve bag lunches, please let Lois know and she will

get the information to you and get you signed up. As of the printing of the bulletin, they still need someone for June 26. Perhaps your Life Group(s) would be willing to do this. If so, let Lois know.

Calendar

Today: 9:30 AM Worship Service

Sunday: 9:30 AM Worship Service

Next Week

Accompanist

Laura Ten Pass

Coffee

Al and LeAnne Holden

Children's Worship

Sarah Schuringa, Emma Hoffman, Levi Holbach

Nursery

Jen Ritzema, Hailey Wagner, Olivia Vander Werff

Livestream

Rachell Hoffman

PPT

Beth Aalsma

Sound System

Joe Bresser

Ushers

Brad Schouten, Owen Mulder

Sermon Notes

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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You're Worthy Of My Praise

Verse 1:

I will worship (I will worship) - With all of my heart (with all of my heart)
I will praise You (I will praise You) - With all of my strength (all my strength)
I will seek You (I will seek You) - All of my days (all of my days)
I will follow (I will follow) - All of Your ways (all Your ways)

Chorus: I will give You all my worship - I will give You all my praise
You alone I long to worship - You alone are worthy of my praise

Verse 2:

I will bow down (I will bow down) - And hail You as King (and hail You as King) -- I will serve You (I will serve You) - Give You everything (everything)
I will lift up (I will lift up) - My eyes to Your throne (my eyes to Your throne)
I will trust You (I will trust You) - Trust You alone (You alone)

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