Welcome to

First Christian Reformed Church



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We welcome our visitors and hope that you enjoy worshipping with us. If you are presently seeking a church home, we welcome you to join our fellowship. You will find a visitor card in your pew, please fill one out and place it in the offering bag. If you would like further information about our church, check out our website at www.waupuncrc.com or contact Pastor Craig (920-539-3848) or the church office (324-2898).

Large-print bulletins and children's bulletins are available from an usher or the back sanctuary rack.

You can tune in to AM 1170 every Sunday morning at 8:30 to hear last week's sermon. You are also able to listen to sermons from our website as well as view the bulletin. Website address is www.waupuncrc.com

Church Office Hours Tuesday from 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM Thursday from 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM All announcements due in the office by 9:00 AM Thursday Phone: 920-324-2898 email: waupuncrc@gmail.com

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

We Gather In Worship

Prelude

*Call to Worship

*Opening: Led by Praise Team

*God's Greeting and We Greet One Another

We Are Renewed in God's Grace

Celebrate Grads (Litany)

We are gathered together to celebrate the accomplishments of members of our community.

We give blessings to you for all that you have achieved and many more achievements yet to come.

One part of your life's journey is complete. You will prepare to begin another phase that will take you to unimaginable places.

As you prepare for your next journey, we hope that you remember the ones you leave behind,

who have loved and supported you throughout the years.

We give you blessings of good will and love

as you journey forth into the world. We thank you for the laughter and fellowship

that you have shared with us and pray that as you begin your next journey,

remember the times that we all have shared with you.

Accompanist Laura Ten Pass

Children & Worship Leader: Dominique Van Hill Helpers: Parker Van Hill Gretchen Hoekstra

Fellowship Coffee Mike & Bonnie Vander Berg

Greeters Jesse, Amanda, Jaxon & Charlotte Buteyn

Nursery Danielle & Marissa Jansma Kaytlin Smits

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Missionary Letters Dan S. to Daryl Pfantz Nate S. to Neen+ Winnojean S. to Chaplain Peter

*Please pray especially for this missionary family this week

Use those memories as a beacon to guide you on your path.

Don't look back; continue only forward, while using those memories to create a new path.

We pray that God will give you strength and determination to develop new relationships that will help to strengthen and sustain your faith.

Because we are made in the image of God we have been blessed with free will to make choices and decisions.

We pray that you make wise and rational decisions, always turning to God for help. God hears, God listens, God is always with you. Do not forget that. Always keep in mind that God is around and if you turn to him, he will guide you.

Song: The Solid Rock – kR526 vs 1 & 3

Congregational Prayer

Offertory and Our Offerings (with Grad Powerpoint): Local Budget

Children are dismissed for Walk Out Worship

God Speaks through His Word

*Scripture: Hebrews 10:19-25

Sermon: Be Encouragers

We Respond to God's Word

*Song of Response: We are Called to Be God's People – R415 vs 1-3

We Leave to Serve God

*God's Parting Blessing

*Closing: God, the Father of Your People – G322 vs 1 & 2

*Postlude

7:00 PM Combined PM Worship Service @ Bethel CRC

Worship Notes

This morning we celebrate the graduates and pray that their faith will grow as they are sent out.

Tonight we begin our summer combined evening services by worshiping at Bethel. The service begins at 7:00pm.

Next Sunday we will have pulpit supply in the morning and will worship here in the evening with Bethel.

Starting this week Pastor Craig will be on vacation until June 19. If any pastoral issues arise during that time please contact an elder.

Verse of the Week: Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but let us encourage one another – and all the more as you see the Day approaching. Hebrews 10:25

This week be in prayer for:

- Those affected by the ethanol plant explosion in Cambria
- Synod as they meet June 9 15
- Alto CRC

Give thanks to God for:

- Beautiful summer days
- Easy access to God's Word
- God's amazing grace

Upcoming Special Service

June 4	9:30 AM	Pentecost/Celebrate Graduates
June 4	7:00 PM	Combined Service @ Bethel CRC
June 11	6:00 PM	Combined Service @ First CRC
June 18	9:30 AM	Father's Day
	7:00 PM	Combined Service @ Bethel CRC
June 25	6:00 PM	Combined Service @ First CRC
July 2	9:30 AM	Preparatory
	6:00 PM	Combined Service @ First CRC
July 9	9:30 AM	Communion
-	7:00 PM	Combined Service @ Bethel CRC

The Council has released the following names for nomination of Elder and Deacon. Nominations for Elder: Steve Homan, Dale Jansen, Tom Jonker, Merlin Schouten, Dave Rens. Nominations for Deacon: Joe Bresser, Randall Greenfield, Tyler Jansen, Brian Van Herwaarden. **Congregational meeting will be held on Monday, June 26, 2017 at 7:00 PM.**

Last Week's Offerings

Local Budget	\$5,786.00
Cary Christian Center	\$ 45.00

All loose offering will go toward Local Budget

If you are making a donation to the maintenance and remodeling project, please label the envelope or check Capital Improvements. This will help the deacons. Thank you!

June cause: Bible League International—one of the world's largest Bible planting ministries. Working through local churches worldwide, this ministry trains and equips Christians to use the Bible to lead others into a relationship with Jesus Christ, disciple new believers, and establish new churches.

Our Family

<u>Birthdays</u>	<u>June</u>		<u>June</u>
Neil Venhuizen	4	Steve Tjepkema	7
Al Holden	9	Jenna Mulder	9
Anniversary Percy & Janice De Vries	<u>June</u>		
Felcy & Jallice De Viles	0		

Celebrate with us the marriages of Troy Aalsma to Taylor Sweetman and Breanna Smits to Drew Buiter. Help us bless them as they start this journey together by placing donated household goods in the boxes in the narthex. Cleaning supplies, popcorn, kitchen utensils, and whatever else you can think up would show these couples that they are loved.

Attention grads and parents of grads! <u>This is the last week to get the</u> <u>information to Gladys!</u> She needs information from each of you. For those graduating college please get me the school and date of your graduation, degree, and your future plans. Those graduating high school please get me school graduating from and what your future plans include. It is also appreciated if you can send a picture to the church email: waupuncrc@gmail.com. We will be celebrating our grads on Sunday, June 4, 2017. Please get me the information this week if possible! Thank you!

A BIG Thank you to all those that came out and supported OH4F last week at the Bake Sale/Brat Fry. Thanks to those that donated baked goods and a special thank you to Mike Vander Berg and Don Pausma for grilling. We were able to raise over \$1,400 which when given to Coreluv will double as part of their May match. God has blessed us with a church family that is truly giving! **Pastor Craig, Dan & Gladys Montsma (OH4F, Inc.)**

As you pray this week please remember these people in your prayers:



- Nina Te Beest as she recovers from bronchitis and pneumonia.
- Dave Mulder, cousin of Sue Buwalda, as he undergoes treatment for cancer
 - Glen & Sandy Greenfield and family as they mourn the loss of Steve Greenfield.

It can be easy to forget about those that we don't see every week so we are including a list of shut-ins within our congregation. We hope that you will take some time to visit, send cards, and pray for these members of our family. As Romans 12:10 says, "Be devoted to one another in brotherly love. Honor one another above yourselves."

- Joyce Haan
- Winnie Kuiper
- Wilma Navis
- Jeanette Tjepkema
- Howard Loomans
- Lee Heideman

If at any time you would like your name added to or taken off of the prayer list, please contact Gladys.

Church News

Anyone who would like to be added onto the Sunday Morning Coffee list please contact Kristi Zonnefeld. The duties only require putting out the supplies at 9:00 and cleaning up after church. Consider this way to serve at First CRC.

There will be a special meeting for the Covenantal Education Plan on Sunday, June 4 after the morning service.

There are a few extra copies of the New G's Service CDs available on the information center in the basement.

VBS will be on June 26-June 29 starting at 9 am until 11:30 am. Join us this year as we learn about the Maker Fun Factory: A world where curious kids become hands-on inventors who discover they're lovingly crafted by God. This is for those entering 4k thru 5th. We reallillilly need adult help yet. Register at church in the foyer or online at out church website.

Advance Date: Our church will be in charge of the Summer Bag Lunch Program at the Community Table the week of July 3. Watch for boxes to be set out in June to collect items needed for this service to our community! With the recent renovation and shuffling of things around our building, **there is an upright piano available.** It is located in the upstairs classroom along the north wall. If you are interested, **talk to Brian Bresser**.

Upcoming Coffee Chats - Voice of the Martyrs: Our church council would like to put on a series of short, educational sessions on Sunday mornings called Coffee Chats. These chats will begin and 8:45 AM in our church basement and will last 15-30 minutes long. The goal is to educate our members in various topics of interest. Our first set of coffee chats will center around the topic of Persecuted Christians. Our schedule for these Coffee Chats is:

- June 4: Persecuted Christians Sacrifice
- July 16: Persecuted Christians Faithfulness
- August 13: Persecuted Christians Perseverance

If you would like to attend and need nursery services, please send an email to Mike at mike@dis-solutions.com. Please join us for one, two or all three of these sessions!

<u>Calendar</u>

Today:	9:30 AM	AM Worship Service @ 1 st CRC
-	10:45 AM	Meeting for Covenantal Education Plan
	10:45 AM	Graduates Celebrated with Cake in the
		Church basement.
	7:00 PM	Combined PM Worship Service @
		Bethel CRC
Monday:	6:00 PM	First Place 4 Health @ 1 st CRC
Tuesday:	8:00 AM	Prayer Meeting
	9:00 AM	First Place 4 Health @ 1 st CRC
Wednesday:	6:30 PM	Elders Meeting @ 1 st CRC
Next Sunday:	9:30 AM	AM Worship Service @ 1 st CRC
	6:00 PM	PM Worship Service @ 1 st CRC

<u>Next Week</u> Accompanist Brenda Hofman

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Fellowship Coffee Bob & Michelle Mulder

Greeters Keith & Sue Buwalda

Musical Praise Michelle Mulder

Nursery Keith & Laura Venhuzien Gretchen Hoekstra **Offering:** Local Budget **June Cause:** Bible League International

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Group	Elder	Deacon
1	Don Pausma	Jon Venhuizen
2	Denny Vande Berg	
3	Bob Mulder	
4	Scott Ritzema	Eric Homan
5	Norm Buwalda	Ben Mulder
6	Mike Vander Berg	Brad Schouten
7	Gregg Zonnefeld	Dave Venhuizen
8	Al Venhuizen	Brian O'Donovan



Proclaiming Evidence for Truth THIS WEEK'S CREATION MOMENT

"Then I Got Invited to a Bible Study"



So shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth: it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it. – Isaiah 55:11

Dr. Gary Parker, a scientist with a doctorate in biology, used to love teaching his students about what he called "the fact of evolution." As he describes it in his book

Creation Facts of Life, "For me, evolution was much more than just a scientific theory. It was a total world-andlife view, an alternate religion, a substitute for God."

He continued, "I didn't just believe evolution. I embraced it enthusiastically! And I taught it enthusiastically! I considered it one of my major missions as a science professor to help my students rid themselves of old, 'pre-scientific' superstitions, such as Christianity." Dr. Parker also points out that he was willing to let his students believe in whatever "god" they wanted to ... just as long as their religious belief did not keep them from believing in evolution.

His story takes a sudden turn, however, when he writes, "But then I got invited to a Bible study." For this distinguished scientist, everything changed. And for many years now, through his books and seminars, he has been using science and logic to teach that evolution is false. "And it's not just me," he adds. "Thousands of scientists are sharing the scientific evidences in God's world that encourage us to believe all the wonderful promises and principles in God's Word, the Bible."

It's truly amazing how adaptable even the scientific mind becomes when considering the complete body of evidence rather than conforming to unproven hypotheses like evolution.

Ref: Dr. Gary Parker, Creation Facts of Life, pp. 11-12 (Master Books, 15th printing, 2013). Photo: Dr. Gary Parker, creationist biologist.

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