

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.

Sunday School and Catechism for K – 12th graders is currently on summer break.

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, large-print, and children's 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

*God's Greeting

*Songs of Worship: "Great Are You, Lord" "Cornerstone"
"Teach Us Your Ways"

Congregational Prayer

Offering for the Local Budget and PAVE

Song of Worship: "All Creatures of Our God and King" G431

*Scripture Reading: Ephesians 2:19-22

Message: "Ephesians #5: Everything the Church is Meant to Be"

*Profession of Our Faith: The Apostles' Creed

Song of Response: "O Church Arise"

*Benediction

*Doxology: "When Morning Gilds the Sky" G438:1, 3 ,4

*Postlude

Taking part in worship today:

- Worship Leader and Sermon: Pastor Greg Schuringa
- Accompanist: Cara Schmitt
- Percussion: Hanna Marra
- Worship Team Singers: Pastor Greg, Cara Schmitt, Michelle Mulder, Abby Vree
- Media Team: Tyler Ten Pass, Gladys Montsma

- Transportation: Bob Mulder

Missionary Letters

M Miedema to Neen/Angel

W Miedema 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 (PAVE for June), while any loose and 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.



Our Family

As you pray this week, please remember the following:

- **Rachel Hoffman**, recovery from surgery going well.
- **Norm Jansma**, treatments for chronic lymphocytic leukemia.
- **Norm Jansma**, sympathy on the loss of two sisters-in-law: Gladys Jansma and Marcia Jansma.
- **Margaret Miedema**, recovery from June 6 cervical spine surgery.
- **Dan Montsma**, healing and strength for his knee.
- **Shirley Otto**, recovery from a sprained back.
- **Ken Ten Pas**, strength and strength.
- **Nancy Wierenga**, severe back pain.
- **Gregg Zonnefeld**, chemo therapy and radiation treatments.

The family of Leanne Johnson would like to express our sincere appreciation to 1st CRC for your care and support during the recent illness and passing of Leanne. Your expressions of love and sympathy, as well as acts of kindness were a blessing to us. It gives us comfort in our grief to know Leanne was part of a caring Christian community.

Bibles are on the table in the Narthex for church members to highlight favorite verses for those who made profession of faith on May 25 and June 15.

Camp Calvin: Parents, if your child(ren) are going to Camp Calvin, the deacons will reimburse the registration cost. Please give a copy of the registration to either a deacon or Keren Derksen.

Church News

Upcoming Worship Highlights

- June 15—Profession of Faith in Worship
- June 22—Installation of New Officebearers
- July 6—New Members welcome

Our Annual Congregational Meeting will be held on June 16 at 6:30 PM in the sanctuary. Professing members may speak to matters and vote at the meeting. In addition to voting on Council's approved budget for 2025-2026, the Council is bringing forward the following Council nominees, to take the place of elders and deacons retiring from their 3-year service. Elder nominees (3 to be elected): Gary De Jager, Joe Durant, Ken Homan, Steve Homan, Dan Montsma, Scott Ritzema; Deacon nominees (2 to be elected): Eric Homan, Ben Mulder, Cayden Ruis, Eric Schaver.

We would like to have a few more teachers for our Children's Worship program. Please prayerfully consider the opportunity to serve as a Children's Worship teacher. This important and fun role allows you to share your faith and nurture the spiritual growth of our youngest members. Contact Mackenzie Mulder if you're interested or have any questions.

Our denomination's annual synod week will begin this Friday, June 13. There, pastors, deacons, and elders meet from various classes (regional groups of Christian Reformed Churches), including our own Classis Wisconsin, will meet to make decisions that impact the congregations and ministries the CRCNA. Please pray for Synod 2025. If you are interested about what's happening there, all the information you need can be found here: <https://www.crcna.org/synod>

The third Life Group Olympics will take place on Sunday, June 22 at 4:00. The whole family is invited for a variety of games that will offer some friendly competition for all levels and supper afterwards. We will provide paper products, brats, hot dogs, and drinks. We are asking life group members to bring food as well. We hope to see you there! If you have any questions, please talk to Gary, Katie, Mike, or Bonnie.

Friendship Club (Ministries) is a local organization supported by First CRC and Bethel, that seeks to help disabled individuals stay closer to Christ. Friendship is currently seeking passionate individuals to help with this program. Males are encouraged to help out. If this is your calling, please contact Jean Jansen.

The youth group Belize team leaves in just nine days and it's not too late to support their outreach efforts. Please check out the Signup Genius link for items you can donate to support them and the VBS & sports camp they will be leading. <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080B45AFAD28A1F49-56917034-belize>. If you sign up for a donation, get it to Lois and she will make sure it gets to the youth group. You can also support them by keeping them in your prayers as they prepare to leave for Belize on June 17. There is a prayer calendar to support them and pray over this trip on the table in the narthex. If you would like to support them with your prayers, please grab one and hang it up at home.

Are you missing a cake pan, a bowl, plate, or even a water bottle, please check the kitchen counter in the basement. There are several items waiting to be claimed by their owners.

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.

First CRC Facebook and Website: Whether you are newer to First or a longtime member, our Facebook page and website are available to provide important all-church communications and help keep us connected mid-week and when you may miss a Sunday or two. You'll find our bulletins, videos of our worship services, the church calendar and more.

<https://www.facebook.com/1stcrcwaupun> and <https://www.waupuncrc.com>.

Church Email List: If you are not on the First CRC email list, please contact Lois in the office at waupuncrc@gmail.com so you can be added. We occasionally send out mid-week church prayer requests and announcements, and would like everyone who wants to, to be able to stay connected to what's happening at First Church.

Community News

Benvenuto's in Beaver Dam and the Pregnancy Support Center of Dodge County partner again for a Dining Day on **Monday, June 9**, from 11 AM to 10 PM. Treat yourself by kicking off summer with dinner out on the town. No need to cook! Sit down – relax – order in or out – enjoy a tasty meal with family and friends. **Mention the PSCDC and Benvenuto's will donate 20%** of your purchase to PSCDC.

Emanuel Lutheran's Annual Strawberry Festival, Sunday, June 22, 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM, 107 South Prairie St. Brandon, WI 53919 (Emanuel's Church Basement) Menu: Hot Turkey and Sloppy Joe Sandwiches, Chips and Potato Salad, Ice Cream & Strawberries with Cake or Torte. Free Will Offering. The Church is Handicapped Accessible. Funded by Thrivent Financial.

Calendar

Today:	9:30 AM	Outdoor Worship Service
	11:30 AM	Potluck Lunch
Sunday:	9:30 AM	Worship Service

Next Week

Accompanist

Marlyce Mulder

Livestream

Mike Vander Berg

Coffee

Bob and Michelle Mulder

PPT

Lois Mulder

Children’s Worship

Lyn Mulder, Rachel Hoffman, Hailey
Bresser

Sound System

Scott Ritzema

Nursery

Andrea Buwalda, Casey Homan,
Troy Buwalda

Transportation

Bob Mulder

Ushers

Brian and Cody Van Herwaarden

Office hours: Thursdays, 10 AM to 2 PM

All announcements are due in the office by noon Thursday

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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)

Great Are You Lord

Verse: You give life You are love - You bring light to the darkness
You give hope You restore ev'ry heart that is broken - And great are You Lord

Chorus: It's Your breath in our lungs - So we pour out our praise
We pour out our praise - It's Your breath in our lungs
So we pour out our praise to You only

Bridge: And all the earth will shout Your praise
Our hearts will cry these bones will sing - Great are You Lord (REPEAT)

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Cornerstone

Verse 1: My hope is built on nothing less - Than Jesus' blood and
righteousness - I dare not trust the sweetest frame
But wholly trust in Jesus' Name (REPEAT)

Chorus: Christ alone cornerstone - Weak made strong in the Saviour's love
Through the storm He is Lord - Lord of all

Verse 2: When darkness seems to hide His face
I rest on His unchanging grace - In every high and stormy gale
My anchor holds within the veil - My anchor holds within the veil

Interlude: He is Lord Lord of all

Verse 3: When He shall come with trumpet sound - Oh may I then in Him be
found - Dressed in His righteousness alone
Faultless stand before the throne

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Teach Us Your Ways

Verse 1: Teach us Your ways teach us Your ways - As we learn from one
another - Learn to love each other - Teach us Your ways

Verse 2: Teach us to give teach us to give - Give ourselves for one another
Learn to love each other - Teach us to give

Verse 3: Teach us to weep teach us to weep - Let us weep with one another
Learn to love each other - Teach us to weep

Verse 4: Hallelujah, hallelujah - Let us learn from one another
Learn to love each other - Teach us Your ways

All Creatures of Our God and King (Public domain)

Verse 1: All creatures of our God and King - lift up your voice with us and sing:
alleluia, alleluia! - O burning sun with golden beam - and shining moon with
silver gleam - O praise him, O praise him - alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Verse 2: O rushing wind so wild and strong - white clouds that sail in heaven
along - alleluia, alleluia! - New rising dawn, in praise rejoice - you lights of
evening, find a voice - O praise him, O praise him - alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Verse 3: Cool flowing water, pure and clear - make music for your Lord to
hear - alleluia, alleluia! - Fierce fire, so masterful and bright - providing us with
warmth and light - O praise him, O praise him - alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Verse 4: Earth ever fertile, day by day - bring forth your blessings on our way
alleluia, alleluia! - All flowers and fruits that in you grow - let them his glory
also show - O praise him, O praise him - alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Verse 5: People and nations, take your part - sing praise to God with all your
heart - alleluia, alleluia! - Let all things their Creator bless - and worship him in
lowliness - O praise him, O praise him - alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the
Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was
crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to hell. The third day he rose
again from the dead. He ascended to heaven and is seated at the right hand
of God the Father almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and
the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic* church, the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.
Amen.

**that is, the true Christian church of all times and all places*

O Church Arise

Verse 1: O church arise and put your armour on - Hear the call of Christ our Captain - For now the weak can say that they are strong
In the strength that God has given - With shield of faith and belt of truth
We'll stand against the devil's lies - An army bold whose battle cry is Love
Reaching out to those in darkness

Verse 2: Our call to war to love the captive soul - But to rage against the captor - And with the sword that makes the wounded whole
We will fight with faith and valour - When faced with trials on every side
We know the outcome is secure - And Christ will have the prize for which He died - An inheritance of nations

Verse 3: Come see the cross where love and mercy meet - As the Son of God is stricken - Then see His foes lie crushed beneath His feet
For the Conqueror has risen - And as the stone is rolled away
And Christ emerges from the grave - This victory march continues till the day
Every eye and heart shall see Him

Verse 4: So Spirit come put strength in every stride - Give grace for every hurdle - That we may run with faith to win the prize
Of a servant good and faithful - As saints of old still line the way
Retelling triumphs of His grace - We hear their calls and hunger for the day
When with Christ we stand in glory

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When Morning Gilds the Sky (Public domain)

Verse 1: When morning gilds the sky - our hearts awaking cry:
May Jesus Christ be praised! - in all our work and prayer
we ask his loving care - May Jesus Christ be praised!

Verse 3: Let earth's wide circle round - in joyful notes resound:
May Jesus Christ be praised! - Let air and sea and sky
from depth to height reply - May Jesus Christ be praised!

Verse 4: Be this, when day is past - of all our thoughts the last:
May Jesus Christ be praised! - The night becomes as day
when from the heart we say - May Jesus Christ be praised!

19 Consequently, you are no longer foreigners and aliens, but fellow citizens with God's people and members of God's household, 20 built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the chief cornerstone. 21 In him the whole building is joined together and rises to become a holy temple in the Lord. 22 And in him you too are being built together to become a dwelling in which God lives by his Spirit.

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2. The Characteristic of the University

a. We Are Called to Live in the Kingdom of God's Kingdom

b. We Are Members of God's Family

c. We Are S_____s of God's T_____e