

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 (waupunrc.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 (waupunrc@gmail.com) or Pastor Greg Schuringa (pastorgreg@waupunrc.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: Psalm 133

*God's Greeting

*Songs of Worship: "Behold Our God" "Closer"
"Our Father"

God's Will for Our Lives

Congregational Prayer

Offertory and Offering for the Local Budget and Mission Backpack

Song of Worship: "God of Grace and God of Glory" R435

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

*Scripture Reading: Ephesians 4:1-6

Message: "Ephesians #9: Working Hard for Church Unity Part II"

*Song of Response: "They'll Know We Are Christians" R429:1-3

*Benediction

*Doxology: "They'll Know We Are Christians" R429:4

*Postlude

Taking part in worship today:

- Worship Leader and Sermon: Pastor Greg Schuringa
- Accompanist: Lois Mulder
- Worship Team: Pastor Greg; Lois Mulder (piano); Kim Greenfield, Cayden Ruis, Heidi Smits (vocalist)
- Media Team: Scott Ritzema, Beth Schlieve, Mike Vander Berg
- Coffee: Mike and Bonnie Vander Berg
- Children's Worship: Stacy Schaver, Beth Schlieve, Elliana Mulder
- Nursery: Lynnae Franken, Jessica Ten Pass, Kolton Buwalda
- Transportation: Bob Mulder
- Ushers: Ryer Greenfield, Andy Schlieve

Missionary Letters

Marilyn Mulder to Neen/Angel*

Marlyce 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 first Sunday of the month and the month's



special offering the remaining Sundays (Mission Backpack for July), 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**, chemotherapy treatments.
- **Elaine Homan**, brother Harold Holman passed away on June 30, our deepest sympathy.
- **Norm Jansma**, treatments for chronic lymphocytic leukemia.
- **Margaret Miedema**, still no voice and still has pain after surgery.
- **Shirley Otto**, recovery from a sprained back.
- **Rhonda Schouten**, knee replacement surgery recovery.
- **Ken Ten Pas**, recovery from foot surgery this past Friday.
- **Nancy Wierenga**, epidural isn't working yet to reduce her pain.
- **Gregg Zonnefeld**, chemotherapy and radiation treatments.

Pastor Greg Schuringa is starting a week of vacation tomorrow. This coming weekend he will be officiating at a wedding in his former congregation in Elmhurst, IL. He plans to be back in the office and back to his regular duties on July 21.

Church News

Upcoming Worship Highlights

- July 27—Outdoor Worship service on the church lawn, with ice cream served after the service.
- August 3—Lord's Supper in Worship

Our church is doing the Summer Bag Lunch Program this week!

Please remember the volunteers who are working this week and those who will be receiving the lunches.

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.

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.

Mark your calendars! Our **Annual Block Party is Saturday, August 23, 4-8**. There are so many activities packed in one day—wagon rides, bounce houses, miniature golf, face painting, chicken chuck contest, live music, pork meal, car show, lawn games, and **new this year-balloon animals!** This is all free! There is something for everyone so invite your friends and family!

Classis Wisconsin offers the Leadership Development Network (LDN) to people in Classis who desire to expand their knowledge and experience in lay ministry. Whether you are on council, a youth worker, small group leader or involved in any type of ministry in your church, LDN will help enrich your understanding and competency while serving God and others. This year's focus is practical ministry from church health, witnessing, pastoral care, small groups and other aspects of ministry. The program runs from Sept. to May and meets one Sunday afternoon a month at MarshView Ministries in Horicon. If you have interested in more information, contact Pastor Dave Katsma at pastordlk@gmail.com or 920-296-1448

We are looking for a few antique, classic or special cars, trucks, tractors or motorcycles to be displayed at our Neighborhood Block Party, Sat., Aug. 23, 4-8 PM. If you or someone you know is willing to do so, please call or message Tom Jonker at 920-602-5689. Thank you.

Community News

Join us as we celebrate Gregg Zonnefeld's faithful years of service to Central Wisconsin Christian! We invite the entire CWC community to a special celebration honoring his retirement on **Sunday, July 27, from 2:30–4:30 PM** at CWC. To help us make this a meaningful celebration, we're collecting photos, words of encouragement, special memories, or handwritten notes to share with Gregg. He would especially appreciate the personal touch of a handwritten message! Please mail your contributions to CWC, 301 Fox Lake Rd, Waupun Attn: Kim Greenfield. Contributions can also be emailed to Karysa Helmrick at khelmrick@wearecwc.org. If you would like to give a monetary gift online, go to <https://www.wearecwc.org/support/gregg-zonnefeld-retirement.cfm>. Let's come together to thank Gregg for the incredible impact he's had on our school and lives!

YFC Georgia Peach / Michigan Blueberry Sale: Youth for Christ Peach



Sale is back... Pre-purchase your delicious Georgia peaches and/or Michigan blueberries today! Peaches are available at multiple locations including FDL, Waupun, Beaver Dam, and Rosendale on July 15-16. Pre-purchases are recommended but walk-

up sales will be available until sold out. All proceeds help YFC share the Gospel with teens throughout the area. For more info or to place your order, visit www.badgerlandyfc.org, scan the QR code, or call 920-923-1416.

**REACH Waupun is Hosting the
Annual School Supply
Distribution Event!**

WHAT:
SCHOOL SUPPLY DISTRIBUTION IS OPEN TO ANY WAUPUN AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT OR CWC STUDENT WHO NEEDS ASSISTANCE WITH SCHOOL SUPPLIES. EACH STUDENT WILL RECEIVE A BACKPACK AND A BAG OF GRADE APPROPRIATE SCHOOL SUPPLIES.



WHEN:
AUGUST 12 FROM 9AM THRU 1 PM

WHERE:
ROCK RIVER INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL (SMALL GYM)

to make an online donation please go to www.reachwaupun.org - fundraiser - school supply distribution

Questions? Contact REACH Waupun at 920-325-2011 or info@reachwaupun.org

We invite you to join us for an evening of music, fun and laughter at the Peniel Welsh Chapel. Come and listen to an Old Time Radio Show featuring the Men of Praise from Waupun. When? July 19, 2025, at 6:00 PM. Where? Peniel Welsh Chapel W9644 Zoar Road Oshkosh, WI 54904. Cost? Admission is free. A free will offering will be taken. Attire? Casual and comfortable. The program will be followed by an ice cream social. See you there!

Join **aviation missionaries** on the eve of AirVenture 2025, **Sunday, July 20**, for the MASA "Big Gathering" potluck supper at **Plymouth Church**, 1325 Georgia St, Oshkosh. **Doors open at 5:00.** The gathering in the sanctuary **begins at 5:30.** Following the meal downstairs with the missionaries, we will gather again in the sanctuary for the evening program. Come, meet the missionaries and hear about what God is doing through

aviation to help build His kingdom. Please be sure to **bring a DOUBLE portion of food** so that we have enough to serve our missionary guests, too. Invitation to this MASA event is open to everyone. Also, if you can **donate/bring a pack of soda or Gatorade** to the Big Gathering that would be available as refreshments for the missionaries throughout the week, that would be a great blessing. For more information, call Nevin at **920.344.7512**.

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
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Calendar

Today: 9:30 AM Worship Service
10:45 AM Profession of Faith class (Upper Room)
Wednesday: 6:30 PM Elders Meeting
Sunday: 9:30 AM Worship Service

Next Week

Accompanist

Brenda Hofman

Livestream

Brad Mulder

Coffee

Randall and Kim Greenfield

PPT

Ryer Greenfield

Children's Worship

Sarah Schuringa, Hailey Bresser,
Jules Mulder

Sound System

Cayden Ruis

Nursery

Jen Ritzema, Jenna Mulder, Jonah
Mulder

Transportation

Bob Mulder

Ushers

Brian and Cody Van Herwaarden

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 – Bear 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) (REPEAT)
You will reign forever - (Let Your glory fill the earth)

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Closer

Verse 1: Search me oh God and know my thoughts - Nothing is hidden from You - Lead me along Your path of life - That I may walk in truth

Chorus: Bring me closer, closer - Closer to You my Lord
Bring me closer, closer to Your ways - To Your will to Your heart

Verse 2: Create in me a clean heart - Renew a right spirit in me
Make of me Lord a servant - Who walks in humility

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Our Father

Our Father in heaven - Holy is Your name (2X)
Your Kingdom come - Your will be done here (2X)
Give us on this day our daily bread - Forgive us our debts as we forgive
Your Kingdom come - Your will be done here (2X)
And keep us from sin – Oh Lord, we pray.
Power and glory be yours for always.
Your Kingdom come - Your will be done here (4X)

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Sermon Notes