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.



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

Call to Worship: The Apostles' Creed

*God's Greeting

*Songs of Worship: "By Faith" "O Come to the Altar" "I Will Delight"

God's Will for Our Lives Congregational Prayer

Offering: Local Budget and Mission Backpack

Song of Worship: "Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies" G481

Prayer for Illumination

*Scripture: 2 Corinthians 5:11-6:2

Message: "2 Corinthians #10—Apologetics 102: Persuasion in the

New World Order"

Prayer

*Song of Response: "I Love to Tell the Story" G530

*Benediction

*Closing Song: "We Receive Your Blessing"

*Postlude

Taking part in worship today:

- Worship Leader and Sermon: Pastor Greg Schuringa
- Accompanist: Brenda Hofman
- Scripture Reading: Laura Venhuizen
- Worship Team: Pastor Greg;
 Brenda Hofman (piano); Nikki
 Durni (guitar and vocals);
 Rachel Hoffman, Michelle
 Mulder, Josh Schouten
 (vocalists)
- Coffee: Bob and Michelle Mulder

- Children's Worship: Stacey
 Schaver, Kolten Buwalda, Kase
 Buwalda
- Media Team: Pete Vander Werff, Beth Schlieve, Randall Greenfield
- Nursery: Casey Homan, Phylicia Coda, Adrianna Schuringa
- Ushers: Ryer Greenfield, Brian O'Donovan

Missionary Letters

S Ritzema to Neen
D Schaver 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 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. 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:

- Brian Bresser, gall bladder surgery recovery.
- Kathy Kamphuis, Laura Ten Pass, cancer treatments.
- **Eden Homan**, thanks for stable health now and wisdom for doctors and Ben and Alyssa on a future surgery.
- Louis and Nancy Wierenga, healing from burns and relief from pain.

After the service this morning, there will be cake and ice cream served in the basement in honor of **Gene Winkel's 75**th **birthday!**

Church News

Upcoming Worship Highlights

- July 23, 9:30 AM: Outdoor Worship Service
- August 6, 9:30 AM: Communion in Worship

The funeral lunch committee is looking for volunteers who are willing to help out at funerals—wash dishes, help set up, bring food, etc. You would be called only if needed. Please sign the sheet in the foyer if you would be willing to help out and indicate what you prefer to help with. Thanks for considering.

Summer Outdoor Worship Services on the Lawn: July 23 (NEXT WEEK), and August 27. Please bring your own lawn chairs/blankets. If the weather is poor, the service will be moved indoors and we plan to postpone the outdoor service to the following Sunday.

Save the Date! The second Life Group Olympics will take place on Sunday, August 6, 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. Your leader will let you know what

to bring when it gets closer. We hope to see you there! If you have any questions, please talk to Gary, Katie, Mike, or Bonnie.

Wednesday Night Kidz Zone: You won't want to miss the last night of Hay Day fun! Please join us this Wednesday evening, from 6:30-8:30 for Music, Bible Adventures, Crafts, Hog Wild Games, and special farm activities! New this year, we are inviting 3-year-olds (potty trained) and kids ages 3-5 will have a special curriculum geared just for them with some awesome teachers! This is open for all children ages 3-12! Invite your neighbors, friends, and grandkids!



In the book *Sticky Faith: Everyday Ideas to Build Lasting Faith in Your Kids*, the case is made for parents as the primary disciple maker in their children's lives. But we need your help! The author of *Sticky Faith*, Kara E Powell, encourages parents to develop a "sticky web" of five adults, besides parents, who will walk alongside their child through their faith journey. Could you be one of those five adults who walks alongside them on their faith journey? We'd love to have the whole congregation praying about ways we could be part of that "sticky web." Could you help serve as a middle school or high school youth group mentor? Please contact Dan Scheuers, Noah Mulder, or Jen Vlietstra if you're feeling nudged by the Holy Spirit to help and would like to know more.

Do you enjoy chatting with your preteen & teenage grandkids or kids or attending middle school or high school athletic games and school events? Have a heart for youth struggling with all the fast-paced societal changes, or enjoy encouraging the students after church during fellowship? Have you felt a nudge by the Holy Spirit to possibly be involved in middle school or high school youth ministry but not sure if you're equipped to or how you might be able to help? If this sounds like you, please join us on Monday, July 31, at 6:30 PM for a time of food, fellowship, and Q&A! There will be several youth ministry team members there to chat with, ask questions, and find out more about the ministry. We're looking for several adults to join the middle school youth group SWaT team and the high school youth group team. If you'd like to know more or have any questions, please contact Jen Vlietstra at cjvliet@charter.net, or reach out to Noah Mulder or Bryant Greenfield.

Community News

Living Hope Community Church in Fox Lake invites children grades K-5 for a full-filled one day VBS on Friday July 21. The children will enjoy a day mixed with engaging Jonah Bible lessons, crafts to stimulate their artistic side, riveting outdoor activities to help make them sleep that night, kid-friendly praise music, two tasty snacks, a kid-approved lunch, AND we will end the day with an epic water balloon celebration! This fun-filled day is FREE and they aren't going to want to miss it! Register online at www.livinghopefoxlake.com

REACH Waupun is hosting the Annual School Supply distribution event! School Supply Distribution is open to any Waupun Area School
District student who needs assistance with school supplies. Last year
REACH Waupun was able to help over 225 families with the items needed
for school. We have found that collecting only monetary donations for us to
purchase the supplies works the best and students receive exactly what is
needed. Checks should be made out to REACH Waupun, Inc. with "School
Supply Distribution" in the memo. Your church office can collect them and
forward them to REACH, or you can mail directly to PO Box 302, Waupun,
WI 53963. We are also willing to come collect any donations from your
church directly. **Please make your donations by July 22, 2023.**

Pregnancy Support Center of Dodge County is having a fundraiser at the Pizza Ranch in Beaver Dam on Monday, July 24, 2023, from 4-8 PM.

Come support Randolph Christian School on August 11 at their 28th Annual Golf Outing hosted by the Fox Lake Golf Club. Registration at 10:00 with a shotgun start at 11:00 (Please note the time change). Pre-registration by July 31 is required to ensure we have enough carts. Please contact Jamie Weaver at jamie.weaver@randolphchristian.org with questions. Thank you!

All are invited to attend the annual Welsh/English Hymn Sing at 2:PM on Sunday, July 23, at the historic Wild Rose Presbyterian Church, 501 Jackson St in Wild Rose. It will be directed by Rev. Joe Corbin, accompanied on a century old reed organ by Rev. Tom White, with special music by Ann Lemmenes and Chris Cutts. Sing along in four-part harmony to beautiful hymns sung mostly in English. It will be followed by a lovely Te Bach (refreshments and fellowship). The Church is air conditioned but there are stairs. Call Pastor Alyson Janke 608-547-9096 for details.

Denominational News

Kids Corner: God Is With You - Check out this week's kids' devotion at www.kidscorner.net. David wrote Psalm 139 to remind himself of the truth

that God is always near. We can rest in the knowledge that God knit each of us together in our mother's womb (Psalm 139:13-14). He has been with us from the beginning and will never leave us. Check out all the great content at kidscorner.net like the Kids in Action video "Wherever You Go."

Groundwork: For Yours is the Kingdom, the Power, and the Glory Forever. Amen. - For centuries, Christians around the world have concluded the Lord's Prayer the same way. Join Groundwork as we conclude our study of the Lord's Prayer by studying 1 Chronicles 29:11, Revelation 7:11-12, Psalm 24:1, and 1 Corinthians 1:20 to discuss the biblical importance of these words, what we mean when we say them, and why we end the Lord's Prayer this way. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

Volunteer with World Renew Disaster Response Services - Are you looking for volunteer opportunities to help others and serve God? Make a life changing difference with World Renew Disaster Response Services this fall in Boutte, Louisiana; Whatcom County, Washington; or Sarasota, Florida! For dates and more information, go to worldrenew.net/volunteer. We can't wait to hear from you!

Calendar

Today: 9:30 AM Worship Service

Wednesday: 6:30 PM Kidz Zone

Sunday: 9:30 AM Outdoor Worship Service

Next Week - Outdoor Worship

AccompanistLivestreamCara SchmittGladys Montsma

NurserySound System
Emily Mulder, Kaytlin Ruis, Heidi
Joe Bresser

Schaver

Care Group	Elder	Deacon
1	Keith Buwalda (2025)	Todd Schouten (2024)
2	Brian O'Donovan (2026)	Tyler Jansen (2025)
3	Bob Mulder (2025)	Todd Schouten (2024)
4	George Aalsma (2024)	Mitch Vree (2025)
5	Dan Scheuers (2025)	Tyler Ten Pass (2024)
6	Al Venhuizen (2026)	Mike Hoffman (2026)
7	Brad Schouten (2026)	Kirk Van Buren (2026)
8	Ray Hofman (2024)	Tyler Ten Pass (2024)

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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O Come To The Altar

Verse 1: Are you hurting and broken within - Overwhelmed by the weight of your sin - Jesus is calling - Have you come to the end of yourself Do you thirst for a drink from the well - Jesus is calling

Chorus: O come to the altar - The Father's arms are open wide Forgiveness was bought with - The precious blood of Jesus Christ

Verse 2: Leave behind your regrets and mistakes - Come today there's no reason to wait - Jesus is calling - Bring your sorrows and trade them for joy From the ashes a new life is born - Jesus is calling

Bridge: Oh what a Savior - Isn't he wonderful - Sing alleluia Christ is risen Bow down before him - For he is Lord of all - Sing alleluia Christ is risen

Verse 3: Bear your cross as you wait for the crown Tell the world of the treasure you've found

I Will Delight

Verse: I will delight in the law of the Lord - I will meditate day and night Then like a tree firmly planted I'll be - Grounded in Your Word

Chorus: Blessed is the one who follows - The way of the Lord - Blessed is the one

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We Receive Your Blessing

Chorus: We receive Your blessing - We receive Your grace As we walk in the light - Shining from Your face May the peace that You give - Change the way that we live We receive Your blessing - As we leave this place

Bridge: Praise God from whom all blessings flow Praise Him all creatures here below - Praise Him above you heavenly hosts Praise Father Son and praise the Holy Ghost

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Sermon Notes