

First Christian Reformed Church



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.

Office hours: Thursdays, 10 AM to 2 PM

All announcements are due in the office by noon Thursday

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PO Box 32, Waupun, WI 53963



9:30 AM Worship Service

* Please stand if you are able.

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Let us worship the eternal God, the source of love and life, who creates us. **Let us worship Jesus Christ, the risen one, who lives among us.** Let us worship the Spirit, the holy fire, who renews us. **To the one true God be praise in all times and places, through the grace of Jesus Christ.**

*Songs of Worship: "Open the Eyes of My Heart"

"Beautiful One"

"My Soul Finds Rest (Psalm 62)"

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

*Song of Assurance: "Grace Greater than Our Sin" R344:1-3

Congregational Prayer

Our Offerings for the Local Budget and Mission Backpack

Song of Preparation: "Tell Me the Old, Old Story" R621:1-2

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

*Scripture Reading: John 12:20-36

Message: "Jesus and a Tesla"

*Song of Response: "I Surrender All" R596

*Benediction

*Doxology: "Glorify Thy Name" R9

*Postlude

Taking part in worship today:

- Worship Leader and Sermon: Scott Ritzema
- Accompanist: Lois Mulder
- Worship Team: Lois Mulder (piano); Rachel Hoffman, Neil Venhuizen, Abby Vree (vocalists)
- Coffee: Kristi Zonnefeld
- Media Team: Cayden Ruis, Jake Van Herwaarden, Nathan Coda
- Children's Worship: Sarah Schuringa, Hailey Bresser
- Nursery: Hailey Bresser, Emily Mulder, Kase Buwalda
- Transportation: Bob Mulder
- Ushers: Ben and Jonah Mulder

Missionary Letters

Josephine Mulder to Neen/Angel

L 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 (Mission Backpack for July; ONE Waupun for August) the remaining Sundays, 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.



Prayer Requests

As you pray this week, please remember the following:

- **Jim Groenewold**, in hospice care.
- **Jared Regnerus**, the young father and husband with brain cancer in Randolph we've been praying, for has begun hospice care. Search Jared Regnerus on caringbrigde.org if you want to keep up with Jared and Rachel and their family and if you want to leave a caring note.
- **Nancy Wierenga**, has completed physical and occupational therapy ahead of schedule and is doing well in surgery recovery.

Pastor Greg plans to be back in the office on Monday.

Church News

Upcoming Worship Highlights

- July 26: Baptism, Proverbs sermon series continues.
- August 2: Lord's Supper in Worship; Proverbs continues.

A huge THANK YOU to Emily Aalsma for spearheading the bag lunch program this year: 675 lunches were prepared and distributed to community members. Thanks to all the helpers that made sandwiches and/or helped put the bags together and hand them out, and to all who made donations or brought food. We couldn't do this project without everyone.

If you are missing a water bottle that you may have brought to church, please check the counter in the kitchen.

Mark your calendars! The Block Party will be on **Saturday, August 29**. The fun runs from 4-8 and will a pulled pork meal, hayrides, mini-golf, bouncy house, balloon animals, face painting, corn hole, more kids games, a car show, and, of course, the legendary chicken chuck contest! Invite your neighbors and friends! We hope to see you there!

We'd like to have a few antique, classic or special cars, trucks, tractors or motorcycles displayed at our **Neighborhood Block Party**, Sat., Aug. 29, 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.

It's time to update our picture directory! If you are new to First CRC or your family has changed over the past five years, please submit a new digital photo to Lois in the office.

Community News

Randolph Christian School's 31st Annual Golf Outing is August 7 at the Fox Lake Golf Club. Gather your friends, and join us for a great day of food, fun, and fellowship while taking in a round of golf! Registration begins at 9:00 AM with a shotgun start at 10:00 AM. Sponsorship opportunities are also available. To register a team or for sponsorship information, please contact the RCS Office at 920-326-3320 or Alex Cooper at 920-326-9291 by JULY 31.

Calendar

Today:	9:30 AM	Worship Service
Wednesday:	5:30 AM	Deacons Meeting (Upper Room)
	6:30 AM	Council Meeting (Lower Level)
Sunday:	9:30 AM	Worship Service

Next Week

Accompanist

Cara Schmitt

Coffee

Curt and Judy Groen

Children's Worship

Jen Ritzema, Jonah Mulder

Nursery

Hollie Ganz, Kaytlin Ruis, Noralyn Durni

Livestream

Mike Vander Berg

PPT

Katie DeJager

Sound System

Joe Bresser

Transportation

Bob Mulder

Ushers

Noah Mulder, Brian O'Donovan

Open the Eyes of My Heart

Chorus: Open the eyes of my heart, Lord - Open the eyes of my heart
I want to see You - I want to see You

Verse: To see You high and lifted up - Shining in the light of Your glory
Pour out Your power and love - As we sing holy, holy, holy

Bridge: Holy, holy, holy – Holy, holy, holy
Holy, holy, holy - I want to see You

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Beautiful One

Verse 1: Wonderful, so wonderful is Your unfailing love
Your cross has spoken mercy over me - No eye has seen no ear has heard
No heart could fully know - How glorious, how beautiful You are

Chorus: Beautiful One, I love You - Beautiful One, I adore
Beautiful One, my soul must sing

Verse 2: Powerful, so powerful, Your glory fills the skies
Your mighty works displayed for all to see
The beauty of Your majesty awakes my heart to sing
How marvelous, how wonderful You are

Bridge 1: You opened my eyes to Your wonders anew
You captured my heart with this love
'Cause nothing on earth is as beautiful as You

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Psalm 62 (My Soul Finds Rest)

Verse 1: My soul finds rest in God alone - My rock and my salvation
A fortress strong against my foes - And I will not be shaken
Though lips may bless and hearts may curse
And lies like arrows pierce me - I'll fix my heart on righteousness
I'll look to Him who hears me

Chorus: O praise Him, hallelujah - My Delight and my Reward
Everlasting, never failing - My Redeemer, my God

Verse 2: Find rest, my soul, in God alone - Amid the world's temptations
When evil seeks to take a hold - I'll cling to my salvation
Though riches come and riches go - Don't set your heart upon them
The fields of hope in which I sow - Are harvested in heaven

Verse 3: I'll set my gaze on God alone - And trust in Him completely
With ev'ry day pour out my soul - And He will prove His mercy
Though life is but a fleeting breath - A sigh too brief to measure
My King has crushed the curse of death - And I am His forever

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Sermon Notes



School Supply Distribution This event takes place each year in August, and is open to any student who attends WASD or CWC who needs assistance with school supplies. Each student will receive a backpack and the grade-appropriate school supplies necessary to begin the school year. In 2025/26, over 385 students were given supplies to start their year off with success!

How can you help?

DONATE!

- online at

www.reachwaupun.org/school-supply-distribution

- by check made out to REACH Waupun

with "School Supply Distribution" in the memo.

Send to: REACH Waupun

PO Box 302

Waupun, WI 53963

Please make your donations by August 2.

Questions? Call 920-325-2011

Care Group	Elder	Deacon
1	Ken Homan (2028)	Adam Franken (2027)
2	Scott Ritzema (2029)	Cayden Ruis (2028)
3	Joe Durant (2028)	Jesse Buteyn (2029)
4	Mike Vander Berg (2027)	Eric Schaver (2028)
5	Steve Homan (2028)	Andy Schlieve (2027)
6	Steve Smits (2029)	Jesse Buteyn (2029)
7	Dan Montsma (2029)	Curt Groen (2029)
8	Darrall Schaver (2027)	Andy Schlieve (2027)

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 classes for K – 12th graders meet after the morning worship service during the school year.

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).