

Welcome to
First Christian Reformed Church



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 the church office (324-2898).

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

You can 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**

*Song of Praise: "We Praise you, O God"
Gray 237

***God's Greeting and We Greet One Another**

*Song of Praise: "Lord Most High"

We Are Renewed in God's Grace

Congregational Prayer - Merle Schouten

Offertory and Our Offerings: Local,

Elizabeth Jonker to speak about her upcoming trip to Haiti

Children are dismissed for Walk Out Worship

God Speaks through His Word

*Scripture: Ephesians 1:1-10

Sermon: Redeemed

We Respond to God's Word

*Song of Response: "There is a Redeemer" R308

Communion Service- Gray pg. 979-982

We Leave to Serve God

*God's Parting Blessing

*Closing: "Father, We Love You" Gray 634

Accompanist

Brenda Hofman

Children & Worship

Leader: Lois Groenewold

Helpers: Megan Greenfield
Miranda Vander Berg

Elder/Deacon Greeters

Scott Ritzema

Eric Homan

Fellowship Coffee

Pete & Tabbie Vander Werff

Greeters

Sam & Sylvia Vander Galien

Nursery

Michelle Mulder

Andrea Buwalda

Heather Hoekstra

Sound System

Pete Vander Werff

Transportation

Louie Wierenga (324-3683)

Jim Groenewold (210-8069)

Ushers

Ray Hofman

Al Holden

Andy Schlieve

Thomas Venhuizen

Video Projection

LeAnne Holden

Missionary Letters

Allegra B. to Daryl Pfantz

Brian B. to Neen

Joe B. to Chaplain Peter+

**Please pray especially for this missionary family this week*

***Postlude**

6:00 PM Worship Service (*Please stand if you are able)

Prelude

Call to Worship

***God's Greeting**

Opening Songs led by Michelle Mulder

Prayers of the People led by Merle Schouten

We Study God's Word: Phil 1:12-18 Advancing the Gospel

***Song of Response:** "How Firm a Foundation" Gray 500 Vs. 1, 2, 5

***Affirmation of our Faith:**

We believe that in our world, bent under the weight of sin, Christ gathers a new community. Satan and his evil forces seek whom they may confuse and swallow; but Jesus builds his church, his Spirit guides, and grace abounds. The Spirit thrusts God's people into worldwide mission with the good news of God's grace. He empowers them, going before them and with them. We rejoice that the Spirit is waking us to see our mission in God's world.

***Benediction**

***Closing Song:** "Praise God, from Whom all Blessings Flow" Gray 638

***Postlude**

Worship Notes

Today we welcome Rev. Bylsma to our pulpit.

Next Week Sunday we will meet at Bethel CRC for both services. Scott Ritzema will be leading our AM Service to kick off our week for "Serve Waupun" and Bethel will be providing a pastor for the 7:00 PM Service.

Upcoming Special Service

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| 7/15/2018 | 9:30 AM | Combined AM Worship @ Bethel CRC to kick off our week of Serve Waupun |
| 7/15/2018 | 7:00 PM | Combined PM Service @ Bethel CRC |

Deacons Report

At any time, you may donate to the cause of your choice by writing the name of the cause in the memo line of your check or on the donation envelope. **Please make all checks payable to First CRC.**

July cause: Faith Promise—to support missionaries and mission organizations as designated by our church Council. This fund currently supports Brother Bob's Outreach, Daryl and Mary Pfantz (Wycliffe Bible Translators), Scott Ritzema (Youth for Christ), The Union, Local Deaconal Outreach, Waupun Area Cadets, Waupun GEMS, OH4F (Open Hands for the Fatherless) and Pastor K.

Last Week's Offerings

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| Local Budget | \$ 3,832.00 |
| Youth Ministry Fund | \$ 279.00 |

Our Family

Please remember to contact your Elder for any concerns that arise.

This week Tuesday evening Elders will meet and Wednesday evening full council will meet

Please pray for God's blessing on the upcoming wedding of Jeana Siegersma and Cody Zonnefeld. It will take place on Saturday, July 14th at 5:00 PM in Brundage, Idaho.

Sunday School is in need of a teacher for the 4/5th grade class for this fall. Please contact Brian O'Donovan if you are willing to help.

The worship committee is asking for lots of help from the congregation. We are looking for both men and women who are willing to lead the time of congregational prayer. We are also looking for men and women who are willing to lead our opening time of worship. This could also be a small group of people. By so doing, our guest pastors would only need to focus on bringing the Word to us and closing our time of worship. If you have questions or are willing to help with these parts of our worship service, please contact a member of the worship committee soon. Members are Pat Jonker, Lois Mulder, Laura Ten Pass, Kim Venhuizen, and Renae Venhuizen.

There will not be regular office hours at the church this week. Please have all announcement in to church by Thursday AM as usual. Thank you!

Birthdays

Harold Greenfield

July

8

Michelle Root

July

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Anniversaries

Scott & Jen Ritzema

July

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Brad & Rhonda Schouten

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



- Jason Morgan as he recovers from surgery. Surgery went well and we pray for a quick recovery.
- Travis & Jessica Mulder as Travis has been diagnosed with Leukemia and is going through treatments and Jess as she continues to recover from surgery related to her Crohn's Disease.
- Ben & Alyssa Homan and Eden as she recovers from surgery.
- Laura Ten Pass as she goes through treatments for the spots that were found.
- Leanne Johnson as she waits for results from her treatments.
- Morris & Bea as Morris goes through chemo treatments. May these treatments shrink or remove the cancer. We do give thanks that his brain scans returned normal.

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

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

Church News

If your group is planning to use the church for any events please make sure that you have reserved it through the church secretary in advance. Thank you.

SERVE WAUPUN 2018: Don't miss your chance to be a part of our combined-church service project right here in Waupun! A Sign-up Genius came out on Thursday. Take some time to check your email and look through the opportunities available. Our projects include: The Food Pantry; The Union; community needs; and a couple of projects that will monetarily help the Food Pantry. The projects are also scattered through-out the week of July 15. So pick a project that works in your schedule and join us to "Serve Waupun". Any questions call/text Mike Vander Berg at 920.382.5559.

In need of someone who would be able to deliver Mobile Meals the week of July 9-13. Also, need someone who would be **willing to organize Mobile Meals starting in 2019.** If you are able to help with this please **contact Faith Miedema at 324-5222.**

The Church Women United of the Waupun Area are getting ready for the **annual school supply** distribution for students of the Waupun School Area School District. This year it will be held on Friday, August 3. We hope this gives you time to take advantage of the great back to school sales. There are "shopping lists" printed for you to pick up to help you shop. When you are shopping, keep in mind that we have checked with the school district, and the supplies on our list are those that are needed most. Or let our group do the shopping by making a monetary donation. If you want to write a check please make it out to *Church Women United*. If you have questions, please contact Chris Van Buren, president of the Church Women United, at (920) 324-4618. Waupun area churches have always been a great supporter of this project. Last year we helped over 200 students start the school year with the supplies they needed thanks to your support. Thank you for your continued support of this project that helps so many students right here in our community. **There is a drop off bin in the narthex**

Teens! You are invited to attend Life Camp, the summer youth camp of Wisconsin Right to Life, to be held at the Green Lake Conference Center (Green Lake, WI) August 5-10. It's about fun—zip lining, swimming, paddle boarding, campfires and movies! It's also about learning to articulate a pro-life stance through interactive, age appropriate presentations. You will meet and learn from top leaders in the pro-life movement. Visit www.wrtl.org/LifeCamp for more information, or to register. Hurry; early bird registration ends July 1.

Agnesian Healthcare is seeking big hearts and spare hands to help with their growing volunteer program. For more information pick up a flyer on the shelf in the basement.

Calendar

Today:

9:30 AM AM Worship Service

6:00 PM PM Worship Service

Tuesday:

8:00 AM Prayer Meeting @ 1st CRC

Next Sunday:

9:30 AM AM Combined Worship Service @
Bethel CRC

7:00 PM PM Combined Worship Service @
Bethel CRC

Next Week we will have a combined service @ Bethel CRC for both services

| Group | Elder | Deacon |
|--------------|----------------|--------------------|
| 1 | Don Pausma | Jon Venhuizen |
| 2 | Merle Schouten | Joe Bresser |
| 3 | Bob Mulder | |
| 4 | Scott Ritzema | Eric Homan |
| 5 | Norm Buwalda | Ben Mulder |
| 6 | Tom Jonker | Randall Greenfield |
| 7 | Steve Homan | |
| 8 | Al Venhuizen | Brian O'Donovan |

CREATION MOMENTS

Proclaiming Evidence for Truth
THIS WEEK'S CREATION MOMENT

Covered with Pitch



Make thee an ark of gopher wood; rooms shalt thou make in the ark, and shalt pitch it within and without with pitch. – Genesis 6:14

The Ark was made of wood, so it had to be waterproofed. The most suitable type of waterproofing would be a hydrophobic substance, such as oil or grease. So it was coated inside and out with pitch. But what actually is pitch?

In modern parlance, this refers to an oil fraction. But here some people raise a problem. If pitch is an oil fraction, then do we not assume that oil was produced during the Flood? If that is so, then it could not have been around before the Flood.

This objection actually misses the point. The Hebrew word translated as pitch in Genesis 6:14 is khafar. The only other places where the word pitch is used to describe a bituminous substance would be Exodus 2:3 and Isaiah 34:9, but in these latter two cases, a different Hebrew word (zepheth) is used. Khafar is only used to mean pitch in Genesis 6:14, but khafar appears in another 101 places in the Old Testament. In all those other places, it is translated with words such as appease, reconcile, or atonement. The word is used in the Pentateuch for the coverings of blood, which foreshadow the blood of our Savior. The altar was covered by a sin offering of blood.

Noah and his family were waterproofed against the watery judgment of God, and we, who belong to Christ, are fireproofed against the judgment to come by the atoning blood of Jesus Christ, which not only covers, but washes away all our sin.

Ref: Sarfati, J. (2015), *The Genesis Account*, (Powder Springs, GA: Creation Book Publishers), pp. 498-499. Image: Creative Commons Attribution-Share Alike 3.0 Unported.

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