

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 rack at the back of the sanctuary.

You can listen to sermons from our website as well as view the bulletin. Website address is www.waupuncrc.com

Vision Statement: With the help and presence of our living Lord, we seek to energize and transform lives and maintain the essence of the historic Reformed faith in our worship, service, and fellowship; and to pass on our faith to others.

Church Office Hours

Tuesday from 9:00–11:30 AM

All announcements due in the office by 12:00 noon Thursday

Phone: 920-324-2898 email: waupuncrc@gmail.com

Pastor Harv: 616-402-1342

9:30 AM Worship Service
(*Please stand if you are able)

We Gather to Worship

Prelude

*Call to Worship

*Songs of Praise: "Let Justice Roll Down"

"Made to Worship"

"The Stand"

*God Greet Us and We Greet Each Other

We Reflect on God's Love

Confession and Assurance

Song: "Hungry"

Congregational Prayer

Offering for the Local Budget and Mission

Backpack

(Children are Dismissed for Walk Out
Worship)

We Receive God's Words

*Scripture: Matthew 18:21-35

Sermon: "The Freedom of Forgiving Others"

We Respond in Thankfulness

*Song of Response: "May the Mind of
Christ, My Savior"

We Depart to Serve

*Blessing

*Closing Song: "Savior, Again to Your Dear
Name We Raise"

Postlude

Accompanist

Cara Schmitt

Children & Worship

Leader: Jenna Mulder

Cassidy Ritzema

Kolten Buwalda

Elder/Deacon Greeters

Dan Montsma

Eric Schaver

Fellowship Coffee

Steve & Heidi Smits

Greeters

Scott & Jen Ritzema Family

Nursery

Danielle Jansma

Kim Greenfield

Jayden Jansma

Sound System

Tyler Jansen

Transportation

Bob Mulder (382-0926)

Ushers

Noah Mulder

Josh Schouten

Tyler Ten Pass

Video Projection

Beth Schlieve

Missionary Letters

Ben Mulder to Daryl Pfantz

Bob Mulder to Neen

D Mulder to Chaplain Pete+

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

Worship Notes

This morning Pastor Harv will be leading worship. This evening's service will be at Bethel CRC at 7:00 PM.

Upcoming Special Services

8/11/2019	7:00 PM	PM Worship at Bethel CRC
8/18/2019	6:00 PM	PM Worship at First CRC
8/25/2019	6:00 PM	PM Worship at First CRC

Deacons Report

All loose cash offerings will go to the month's special offering, while any loose and undesignated checks will go to the local budget.

August Cause: Mission Backpack is an organization that hands out backpacks with food to help students eat on the weekend when they don't have access to school food. They receive healthy snacks, cereal and other items.

Last Week's Offerings

Local Budget: \$4,755

The Luke Society: \$254.11

Our Family

Please remember to contact your Elder for any concerns that arise. The Elders and Deacons by Care Group are listed in the bulletin.

August Birthdays

Makenna Morgan	12
Jacob Van Herwaarden	12
Dewey Pausma	15

Anniversaries

Kevin & Andrea Buwalda	13
Pete & Tabbie Vander Werff	13

As you pray this week, please remember these people:

- Janet Ver Hage as she continues to undergo chemo treatment.
- Carlie Jansen, that she continues to do well.
- Laura Ten Pass as she continues with cancer treatments.
- Leanne Johnson, continue to pray for healing.
- Paul Vande Kolk as he has been diagnosed with lung cancer.

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
- Wilma Navis
- Jeanette Tjepkema

Church News

COMMITTEE CONNECTION WITH COUNCIL: We would like to have a meeting with all committee members and council at 6:30 PM on Wednesday, August 28, at First CRC. This meeting will be an opportunity for committee members to share their concerns as well as their dreams in their work at First CRC. Members of any committee listed in the directory are invited. We thank you for your work and we look forward to this time to connect as we soon step into a new ministry year.

Thank you so much to the faithful volunteers who delivered meals on wheels for the month of July. You made a difference in someone's life.

Please check the **kitchen counter for returned containers and bowls**. The pile is getting high.

Neighborhood Block Party: The First CRC Outreach Team is planning a neighborhood block party outside of our church on Saturday, August 24, from 4-8 PM. We will be personally inviting our neighbors that live within a few blocks of our church to join us for this outing so we can get to know them better. There will be free food and fun for all ages. We will have miniature golf, a bounce house, lawn games, face painting and our very own Scott Ritzema serving as the DJ. We will be asking for volunteers in the coming weeks to help us make this event possible. Please be sure to mark your calendars as we are hoping to have a great turn out so we can give a huge First CRC welcome to our neighbors.

PRAYER: We have prayer groups praying through the transition process at First CRC and we want to invite the entire church specifically into prayer with us. This week we ask you to pray for the transition team and the council in the process of rethinking the vision of First CRC. We ask that you pray that we will all be led by the Holy Spirit as we seek to discern God's will. We will keep you updated on the progress. We also invite all to attend the Tuesday AM prayer time at 8:00 at the church or the Sunday morning prayer time in the church basement at 8:45. Thank you for your prayers.

There are needs for Sunday School and Catechism. We are in need of a song leader and Catechism teacher for grades 11-12. There may also be a need for Sunday School teachers, helpers, and subs. Talk to Brian O'Donovan.

A thank you was received for our gift of \$1,867.60 for the support of Dordt University under the Synodical Ministry Share program.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Back to School Night / Convocation - Monday, August 19

It's a special night to kick off the 2019-20 school year!!! We invite all students, parents, and supporters of CWC. Convocation Worship Service in Crusader Centre featuring Pastor Harv Roosma at 6:30 PM with Praise and Prayer Time, Meet the Staff, Meet New Families, and a Meditation. Ribbon Cutting at the North Entrance at 7:15 PM

Save the Date!

The Roaring 20s—Harvest Auction, is set for Saturday, September 14. Silent Auction begins at 3:30, dinner from 4-6, and live auction will begin at 6:30 PM. Looking forward to a fantastic evening of fellowship!

Christian Home Pie Social will be held on Wednesday, August 21, 5-7 PM. We need 10 pies—nothing that needs refrigeration. Pies should be cut when delivered. Sign-up sheet in the foyer. Contact Marilyn Mulder with questions.

The annual service for Zion Congregational Church, aka Old Stone Church, will be held **today at 2 PM**. The church is located one mile north of Alto at N4042 Amity Road. The speaker will be Lay Minister Martina Lindegarde Stanton. Special music will be provided by Anna Lind and the organist will be Joyce Respalje. A free-will offering will be taken. Following the service, a time of refreshments and fellowship will be held and then the annual meeting. All are encouraged to attend the meeting.

Radiance: Wanted Women's Conference 2019 is September 27-29 at Green Lake Conference Center. To register or find out more information, check the bulletin board downstairs or go to www.wantedconference.com

Bethany Christian Services **25th Annual Bethany Swing Fore Kids Golf Celebration** is scheduled for September 13, 2019, at the Golf Club at Camelot in Lomira. Check the bulletin board downstairs for more information.

Calendar

Today:

8:45 AM Prayer Meeting in church basement
9:30 AM AM Worship Service @ First CRC
7:00 PM PM Worship at Bethel CRC

Tuesday:

8:00 AM Prayer Meeting

Wednesday

6:30 PM Elders Meeting

Sunday:

8:45 AM Prayer Meeting in church basement
9:30 AM AM Worship Service @ First CRC
6:00 PM PM Worship @ First CRC

Next Week

Accompanist

Laura Ten Pass

Children & Worship

Leader: Becca Vree

Neil Venhuizen

Cody Van Herwaarden

Elder/Deacon Greeters

Tom Jonker

Randall Greenfield

Fellowship Coffee

Gregg & Kristi Zonnefeld

Greeters

Darrall & Gretchen Schaver

Musical Praise

Ben Homan

Nursery

Emily Mulder

Michelle Mulder

Megan Greenfield

Offering: Local Budget

August Cause: Mission Backpack

Sound System

Pete Vander Werff

Ushers

Noah Mulder

Josh Schouten

Tyler Ten Pass

Video Projection

Mike Vander Berg

Group	Elder	Deacon
1	Joe Durant (2022)	Jon Mulder (2021)
2	Merle Schouten (2020)	Joe Bresser (2020)
3	Keith Venhuizen (2022)	
4	Gary De Jager (2021)	Brian Van Herwaarden (2022)
5	Dan Montsma (2022)	Eric Schaver (2022)
6	Tom Jonker (2020)	Randall Greenfield (2020)
7	Steve Homan (2020)	
8	Kevin Buwalda (2021)	Andy Schlieve (2021)

CREATION MOMENTS

Proclaiming Evidence for Truth

THIS WEEK'S CREATION MOMENT

Chance Couldn't Make Life



The lot is cast into the lap; but the whole disposing thereof is of the LORD. (Proverbs 16:33)

Every so often, it is important to remind ourselves why we believe what we believe. The reason why we do not believe in the theory of evolution is that it is contrary to the way God said He made things. It is said that evolution tells us *how* God made the world, while Genesis tells us *why* God made it. This is not the case. There are places in the Bible, such as Isaiah 45, where God indeed tells us why He created, but Genesis 1 is not one of them. Genesis 1 simply reports how God made everything.

If evolution were true, then the very first living cell would have had to be formed from inorganic molecules getting together and producing a self-replicating structure. This would require information, and that information would presumably be in a molecule similar to DNA, or perhaps RNA. Yet, molecules do not react by themselves to cause such a structure to emerge. Chance does not create the required structures and information.

As long ago as 1966, H. Enoch was saying, "Our hope of producing life seems to be dwindling away as our knowledge of cell chemistry advances." A random selection of letters does not produce the works of Shakespeare. In the same way, order and complexity in nature exist only because that is the way God has planned and designed it to be. Some things may look random at times, but they are not.

Ref: Enoch, H. (1966), *Evolution or Creation* (Rushden: Evangelical Press), p. 60. Image: Public Domain.

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Worship Notes