# 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 In Worship

Prelude

\*Call to Worship

\*Opening: "Where Justice Rolls Down"

"I Will Rise"

"By the Sea of Crystal"

\*God's Greeting and We Greet One Another

# We Are Renewed in God's Grace

Confession and Assurance

Song: "Just As I Am"

Congregational Prayer

Offertory and Our Offerings: Local

**Budget and Mission Backpack** 

Children are dismissed for Walk Out

Worship

# **God Speaks through His Word**

\*Scripture: Acts 6:1-7

Sermon: Dealing with Hurt

# We Respond to God's Word

\*Song of Response: "And Can It Be"

# We Leave to Serve God

\*God's Parting Blessing

\*Closing: Benediction - Binder 96

\*Postlude

# 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

### Nursery

Emily Mulder Michelle Mulder Megan Greenfield

### Sound System

Joe Bresser

### **Transportation**

Bob Mulder (382-0926)

#### Ushers

Noah Mulder Josh Schouten Tyler Ten Pass

### **Video Projection**

Mike Vander Berg

### **Missionary Letters**

Jon Mulder to Daryl Pfantz+ Jo Mulder to Neen L Mulder to Chaplain Pete

<sup>†</sup>Please pray especially for this missionary family this week

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

### Prelude

Call to Worship

\*God's Greeting

Opening Songs led by Ben Homan

Prayers of the People led by Pastor Harv

We Study God's Word: Psalm 119:33-40

\*Song of Response: "When We Walk With the Lord"

# **Worship Notes**

**This morning** Pastor Harv will be leading worship. This evening's service will begin at 6:00 PM.

# **Upcoming Special Services**

8/18/2019	6:00 PM	PM Worship at First CRC
8/25/2019	6:00 PM	PM Worship at First CRC
9/1/2019	6:00 PM	Hymn Sing 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: \$3,475

The Luke Society: \$201.78

# **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.

<sup>\*</sup>Affirmation of our Faith

<sup>\*</sup>Benediction

<sup>\*</sup>Closing Song: "God the Father of Your People"

<sup>\*</sup>Postlude

**August Birthdays** 

Glen Greenfield	18	Toni Hofman	18
Ryker Venhuizen	18	Arky Navis	19
Paul Vande Kolk	19		

**August Anniversaries** 

Norm & Angela Buwalda 20 Rich & Jodi De Maa 24

# 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

We would like to thank everyone for the support you have given to Travis and Jes and our family during the last 15 months. We appreciate the meals, cards, gas gift cards and other gifts that were given during his treatment and frequent hospital visits. We especially appreciate the prayers offered and the continuing prayers as we experience this deep pain yet also are blessed by God's unfailing presence and love.

Marilyn Mulder and family

Marilyn Mulder's sister Jan had a brain aneurysm a week ago. She is recovering in UW hospital in Madison. Please pray for continued progress and return to full health for her.

# **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.

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.

Thank You! God blesses us so we can be a blessing to others. Once again, the Waupun area churches and community have given from their hearts to help our area children start school with the supplies they need. Thank you to all of you who donated supplies and monetary gifts this year. We had a wonderful response. Over 200 children received backpacks and supplies they will need. Any supplies that were left are made available through school personnel during the school year for students in need. Thank you for your continued support of this program.

The Church Women United of the Waupun Area

# **Community News**

Christian Home Annual Pie Social will be on Wednesday August 21, from 5-7 PM. A free will offering will benefit the new chapel, as well as resident services and programs. This event features homemade pie and ice cream, BBQ sandwiches and beverages. Due to limited parking, shuttles will be available from the CWC school, 301 Fox Lake Road, Waupun. There is a sign-up sheet in the foyer for 10 pies that don't need to be refrigerated. It is appreciated that pies be cut when they are delivered. Contact Marilyn Mulder with any questions 920-904-4773.

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!

The 164<sup>th</sup> annual service of the Norwegian Church, located at W9616 Church Rd, Township of Waupun, will be held on August 25, 2019, at 2:00 PM, led by Rev. Robert Sherwood. Refreshments to follow the service.

Welsh Weekend at the Peniel Welsh Chapel north of Rosendale: August 24-25. The 97<sup>th</sup> annual Gymanfa Ganu (Welsh/English song gathering) at 2:30 PM on Aug. 25. Te bach (refreshments) following. Find out more information about the weekend on the bulletin board downstairs.

Bethany Christian Services **25**<sup>th</sup> **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

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Today:	8:45 AM	Prayer Meeting in church basement
	9:30 AM	AM Worship Service @ First CRC
	6:00 PM	PM Worship
Tuesday:	8:00 AM	Prayer Meeting
Wednesday	6:30 PM	Transition Team Meeting
Sunday:	8:45 AM	Prayer Meeting in church basement

9:30 AM AM Worship Service @ First CRC 6:00 PM PM Worship

**Next Week Accompanist** 

Lois Mulder

Leader: Stacy Schaver Megan Greenfield Corbin Groenewold

**Elder/Deacon Greeters** 

Merle Schouten Joe Bresser

**Fellowship Coffee** 

Mike & Bonnie Vander Berg

Greeters

Eric & Stacy Schaver Family

**Musical Praise** Toni Hofman

Children & Worship

Jenna Mulder Jon Mulder Tirzah Ritzema

Nursery

Offering: Local Budget

August Cause: Mission Backpack

**Sound System** 

Eric Homan

**Ushers** 

Noah Mulder Josh Schouten Tyler Ten Pass

**Video Projection** 

Katie De Jager

Group	<u>Elder</u>	<u>Deacon</u>
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)

Proclaiming Evidence for Truth

# THIS WEEK'S CREATION MOMENT

# Designed for Diverse Conditions



And God blessed them, and God said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth... (Genesis 1:28)

It was atheist and evolutionist Dr. Richard Dawkins who once famously said: "Biology is the study of complicated things that have the appearance of having been designed with a purpose." In terms of

the initial appearance of design in many animals, this quote makes a lot of sense. We see that, for example, polar bears are suited to a life in very cold conditions. Dawkins could therefore argue that natural selection had left the polar bear with its thick, warm, white coat, which insulates, and that this appears to be designed, but has been selected naturally. Closer analysis, however, shows that the concept is over-simplistic and does not work for all creatures. Human beings, for example, seem to have the capacity to be able to live almost anywhere they choose by changing their own environment. Thus, those in warm climes may wear fewer clothes or may wear loose-fitting, light-colored clothes. Peoples of the Arctic will, in contrast, make and wear thick, warm, well-covering clothing.

One recent article has suggested that human beings are adapted to be "generalist specialists". It will not escape listeners' notice that these words contradict each other; yet, serious evolutionary studies suggest that humans developed genes enabling them to adapt anywhere. Yet, this does not fit with the concept of an environmentally led natural selection. However, the idea fits very well with God's design for a human race which was to fill the Earth and subdue it as an essential part of their mandate.

Ref: Max Planck Institute for the Science of Human History. "Homo sapiens developed a new ecological niche that separated it from other hominins." ScienceDaily, 30 July 2018. Image: Evolutionary human migration map, license: CC BY-SA 3.0.

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