

8/25/2019

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 by Harm Venhuizen

*Call to Worship

*Opening: "When Justice Rolls Down"

"We Bring the Sacrifice of Praise"

"He has Made Me Glad"

*God's Greeting and We Greet One Another

We Are Renewed in God's Grace

Confession (responsively)

Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD.

Lord, hear my voice!

Let your ears be attentive
to the voice of my supplications!

**If you, O LORD, should mark iniquities,
Lord, who could stand?**

But there is forgiveness with you,
so that you may be revered.

**I wait for the LORD, my soul waits,
and in his word I hope;
my soul waits for the Lord
more than those who watch for the
morning,
more than those who watch for the
morning.**

O Israel, hope in the LORD!

For with the LORD there is steadfast love,
and with him is great power to redeem.

It is he who will redeem Israel
from all its iniquities.

Assurance

Song: "God of Grace"

Congregational Prayer

Offertory and Our Offerings:

Elizabeth Jonker, Violin

Children are dismissed for Walk Out Worship

Accompanist

AM: Cara Schmitt

PM: Lois Mulder

Children & Worship

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

Nursery

Jon & Jenna Mulder

Tirzah Ritzema

Sound System

Eric Homan

Transportation

Bob Mulder (382-0926)

Ushers

Noah Mulder

Josh Schouten

Tyler Ten Pass

Video Projection

Katie De Jager

Missionary Letters

M Mulder to Daryl Pfantz

N Mulder to Neen+

C Navis to Chaplain Pete

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

God Speaks through His Word

*Scripture: Philippians 3:20-4:9

Sermon: "Committed to Unity"

We Respond to God's Word

*Song of Response: "The Church's One Foundation"

We Leave to Serve God

*God's Parting Blessing

*Closing: Benediction

*Postlude

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

Prelude

Call to Worship

The earth is the Lord's, for he made it:

Come, let us adore him.

Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness:

Come, let us adore him.

The mercy of the Lord is everlasting:

Come, let us adore him.

Lord, open our lips.

And our mouths shall proclaim your praise.

*God's Greeting

Opening Songs

Prayers of the People

We Study God's Word: Psalm 124

Trust in the name of the Lord who made heaven and earth

*Song of Response: "Let All Things Now Living"

*Benediction

*Closing Song: "Glory Be to the Father"

*Postlude

Worship Notes

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

The council is looking for church members to be on a committee to plan and organize two Sunday evening worship services or events per month. Please contact Steve Homan or Gary De Jager if you are willing to help.

Upcoming Special Services

8/25/2019	6:00 PM	Worship at First CRC
9/1/2019	6:00 PM	Hymn Sing at First CRC
9/8/2019	6:00 PM	Worship at First CRC
9/22/2019	6:00 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: \$3,215

The Luke Society: \$298.56

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

Scott Ritzema	25	Junice Rens	27
Luke Lemmenes	31		

August Anniversaries

Merle and Dorothy Schouten	25
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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

The Transition Team invites you to an update meeting this morning after the morning service. You either received an email or found a draft copy in your mailbox of a Vision Statement and Core Values for First CRC. This has not yet been approved by the Council, and is provided for information and discussion. Your feedback is welcomed and appreciated!

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.

There are needs for Sunday School and Catechism. We need 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.

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.

We often stand in amazement as we open the mail each day and witness the Lord's faithfulness through the financial gifts entrusted to the Luke Society. It's selfless people like the members of **First Christian Reformed Church** who help us fulfill our ministry's calling to bring the Gospel message through the means of health to the ends of the earth. Thank you for your continued support and for committing yourselves to furthering Christ's kingdom here on earth.

Community News

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 164th 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.

The 97th 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 **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
	6:00 PM	PM Worship
Tuesday:	8:00 AM	Prayer 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

Brenda Hofman

Tirzah Ritzema

Children & Worship

Leader: Kim Greenfield
Aubryn De Jager

Elder/Deacon Greeters

Kevin Buwalda
Andy Schlieve

Fellowship Coffee

Michael & Danielle Jansma

Greeters

Dan & Jan Scheuers

Nursery

Ben & Alyssa Homan

Jaxson Buteyn

Sound System

Joe Bresser

Ushers

Will Bronkhorst

Ray Hofman

Al Holden

Offering: Local Budget**September Cause:** CWC**Video Projection**

Randall Greenfield

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)

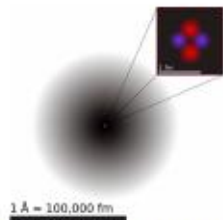
Worship Notes

CREATION MOMENTS

Proclaiming Evidence for Truth

THIS WEEK'S CREATION MOMENT

Forcing Matter to Stick



And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters. (Genesis 1:2)

Why doesn't an atom fly apart? It really ought to do so. School children are taught that atoms basically contain three types of particles – protons, neutrons and electrons. The protons and neutrons are in the atomic nucleus. They are roughly the same mass, but neutrons are neutral, whereas protons have a positive electrical charge. Tiny electrons, with a negative charge, whizz around the parent atom at great speed.

If you rub a balloon on your hair, you know that you can probably make it stick to a wall. The balloon will pick up a negative electrical charge. Suppose you charge two balloons, each with a string attached. Hold them hanging from your hands, and bring them close. They repel because they have the same charge. The protons in the atomic nucleus have the same positive charge. They should repel. The fact that they do not do so suggests that there is a stronger force present keeping the protons together, even though the electric charge wants to push them apart. This strong force does not have a large sphere of influence. It only seems to operate when objects are 10^{15} m apart. At such a small distance, the strong force seems to be 137 times stronger than the electrical force. Outside this distance, the electromagnetic force is stronger, so the protons would push each other away.

God has balanced these forces exactly. If the strong force were a little weaker, then large atoms would easily fall apart. If a little stronger, then no chemical reactions would occur.

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