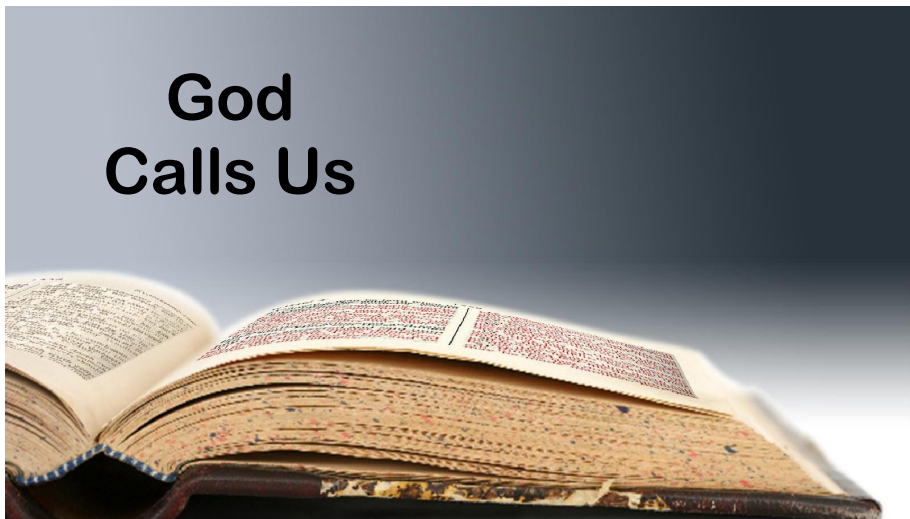


9/29/2019

Welcome to
First Christian Reformed Church

**God
Calls Us**



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 9:00–12 Noon

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: "Living Hope"

"The Solid Rock"

"I Know Whom I Have Believed"

*God's Greeting and We Greet One Another

We Are Renewed in God's Grace

Baptism of Elijah Jansen

Song: "In Christ Alone"

Congregational Prayer

Offertory and Our Offerings: Local Budget
and CWCS

Children are dismissed for Walk Out Worship

God Speaks through His Word

*Scripture: Romans 16:1-20

Sermon: God Calls Us

We Respond to God's Word

*Song of Response: "Hear the Call of the
Kingdom"

We Leave to Serve God

*God's Parting Blessing

*Closing: "Benediction"

*Postlude

Accompanist

Laura Ten Pass

Children & Worship

Leader: Pat Jonker
Cassidy Ritzema
Kolten Buwalda

Elder/Deacon Greeters

Dan Montsma
Eric Schaver

Fellowship Coffee

Den & Nancy Vande Berg

Greeters

Ken & Gardie Ten Pas

Nursery

Becca Vree
Rhonda Schouten
Elise Ritzema

Sound System

Tyler Jansen

Transportation

Bob Mulder (382-0926)

Ushers

Will Bronkhorst
Ray Hofman
Al Holden

Video Projection

Mike Vander Berg

Missionary Letters

A Schlieve to Daryl Pfantz+
J Schmitt to Neen
B Schouten to Chaplain Pete

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

6:00 PM Worship Service

“Tough As Nails” video series

Worship Notes

This morning Pastor Harv will be leading worship as we look at Romans 16 and witness the baptism of Elijah Jansen. This evening’s worship will be the second part in the “Tough As Nails” video series from Andy Stanley.

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.

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.

Last Week’s Offerings

Local Budget: \$3,215

CWCS: \$158.19

World Renew: \$1,000

September Cause is CWCS.

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.

September Birthday

Gladys Montsma 30

October Birthdays

Tyler Jansen 6

Janet Ver Hager 6

September Anniversary

Troy & Taylor Aalsma 30

October Anniversaries

Joe & Karen Durant 3

Randall & Kim Greenfield 4

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 and is starting treatment.

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

Women's Bible Study will begin tomorrow evening, September 30, at 6:30 in the church basement! The workbooks are \$15 and can be paid for and picked up then. Looking forward to seeing you! If you have any questions, please talk to Bonnie Vander Berg.

Bible Study Opportunities: Mike & Bonnie Vander Berg have agreed to serve our church as Small Group Coordinators. In this role, they will work with our members to organize and support small group Bible studies. To that end, we encourage you to become a part of one of the small groups that will soon be meeting.

Small Group Bible Study Opportunities: There are several Bible study options being offered by our church this fall. You will find sign-up sheets for these studies in the back of church. You should find a sheet in your church mailbox with more information about each of these offerings. Please prayerfully consider being a part of one or more of these groups!

Some members of our church's Outreach Team are planning to take part in the Annual Life Chain Sunday in Fond du Lac on October 6 from 2-3 PM. This is an excellent opportunity to make a visual statement affirming the value of human life from conception to natural death. We plan to meet at our church at 1:15 PM to carpool to Fond du Lac. Please join us for this great opportunity! If you have any questions, talk to Mike or Bonnie.

Attn all 3rd through 8th grade boys: You are invited to join us for our Cadets pumpkin carving kickoff to our year Wednesday, October 2, 6:30-8 PM. Please drop your son off at the Josh Bos farm (W6256 Milligan road). Please bring your own pumpkin. Dads are encouraged to attend.

You are invited to a **pastor appreciation potluck** in honor of Pastor Harv and Kathy Roosma on Sunday, October 13. The meal will be held in the church basement following the morning service; there will be no Sunday School. Please bring a hot dish or salad to share, table service and your own drinks. Dessert will be provided.

Thank you to 1st CRC for supporting **Crossroads Prison Ministry**. It was an honor to speak about this vital ministry and to encourage new mentors in

the program. We have more new mentor packets available if you are interested in finding out more. Please see Don or Linda Pausma or Kathy Roosma for a packet or to ask further questions.

Mark your calendars! We will once again be hosting the **African Children's Choir on Sunday, November 10, at 6:30 PM**. This is an evening you won't want to miss! We are in need of 7 homes that are willing to host up to 3 children and one chaperone for the nights of November 10 & 11. If you are interested, please contact Gladys Montsma @ 920-210-5329. Those families that hosted previously can assure you that it is an experience that you will cherish! Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these." Matthew 19:14

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.

Coffee Break will begin Wednesday, October 2, from 9:00-10:30 AM at Bethel CRC. Come for a time of fellowship and Bible Study. We will be studying "The Parables of Jesus." Please ask Ann Hoekstra for a book.

VOLUNTEER REQUEST: In January, the High School Youth Group will be attending the annual Winter Retreat in Rhinelander. Dates for this would be leaving Waupun on Thursday night, Jan 9, and returning that Sunday afternoon, Jan 12. We are looking for cabin leaders. If this is something you are interested in or have any questions on what exactly Winter Retreat is, please let a youth group leader know or call Bryant Greenfield at 920-948-5050. Thank you!!!

Community News

Voice of the Martyrs Conference: Many Christians around the world today are persecuted because of their faith in Christ, yet they continue to advance the gospel through their lives and words. At the VOM Advance Conference you will meet persecuted Christians and hear their inspirational testimonies. This FREE Conference takes place in Wausau on Saturday, October 12. To register for this event, talk to Mike Vander Berg or go to <https://www.vomadvance.com/conference/59/>.

On October 25 from 8:30 AM to 5 PM, the Union Congregational Church in Waupun will be hosting Life Line Screening. See the flyer in the basement for more information. There are many ways you can register for an appointment and you may get special pricing the sooner you sign up!

The **Waupun Community Coalition on Aging** wants to hear what you think! Please take the survey between Sept. 16 and 30 at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/6MMBTFT>. Paper copies are available at and can be returned to Waupun City Hall, Waupun Public Library and Waupun Senior Center. They will use the information you and others provide to develop strategies for strengthening supports for Waupun area residents.

Brandon Bethel Reformed Church Youth Group is having a soup supper and cake auction on Wednesday, October 2, serving from 4:30-7:00 PM.

It's **Apple Dumpling Time!** Trinity Church's annual Apple Dumpling Sale is Saturday, Oct. 12. Six dumplings for \$10. They're packed and ready for the freezer with instructions for baking. Stock up for the holidays! Orders are due Oct. 9. To place an order, call the church office at 324-2400. Orders can be picked up on Oct. 12 from 8 AM-12 PM at Trinity (Reformed) Church, 524 Carrington St, Waupun.

Part-Time Custodian Position: First Reformed Church of Waupun has an opening for a part-time custodian. If you or someone you know might be interested, please contact First Reformed Church at 920-324-2321 or office@firstreformedwaupun.com.

Savoring Our Sisterhood: Edgewood Community Church is hosting lunch and teachings from Tiffany Thompson. Save the date: October 19, 9:30 AM to 2 PM.

At-home Faith Formation Tip: Thankfulness is an important faith practice. Each day between now and Thanksgiving, notice the things in your life that you can give thanks for. Write those things on slips of paper and collect them in a jar or box to read during your Thanksgiving celebration. Also visit tinyurl.com/ThanksPsalms for some beautiful Psalm printouts you can use to decorate your Thanksgiving table. (Tip from Faith Formation Ministries; crcna.org/FaithFormation)

Calendar

Today:	8:45 AM	Prayer Meeting in church basement
	9:30 AM	AM Worship Service
	10:45 AM	Sunday School and Catechism
	6:00 PM	Part 2 of the "Tough As Nails" video series
Monday:	6:30 PM	Women's Bible Study
Tuesday:	8:00 AM	Prayer Meeting
Wednesday:	9:00 AM	Coffee Break @ Bethel CRC
Thursday:	6:45 PM	Christian Fellowship
Sunday:	8:45 AM	Prayer Meeting in church basement
	9:30 AM	AM Worship Service
	10:45 AM	Sunday School and Catechism
	6:00 PM	PM Worship Service

Next Week

Accompanist

Cara Schmitt

Children & Worship

Leader: Jenna Mulder

Neil Venhuizen

Cody Van Herwaarden

Elder/Deacon Greeters

Tom Jonker

Randall Greenfield

Fellowship Coffee

Al & Leanne Holden

Greeters

Brian & Laura Ten Pass

Musical Praise

Ben Homan

Nursery

Bonnie Vander Berg

Kim Greenfield

Jolie Schouten

Offering: Local Budget

October Cause: Gideons

PM Prayer

Al Venhuizen

Sound System

Pete Vander Werff

Ushers

Jesse Buteyn

Glen Greenfield

Noah Mulder

Neil Venhuizen

Video Projection

Katie De Jager

<u>Group</u>	<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)

CREATION MOMENTS

Proclaiming Evidence for Truth

THIS WEEK'S CREATION MOMENT

Only a Theory



Thy word is true from the beginning; and every one of thy righteous judgments endureth for ever. (Psalm 119:160)

We need to be very careful about our terminology. One example of incorrect terminology is when a fellow creationist argues with an evolutionist by saying:

"Evolution is only a theory." In the popular understanding, the idea is that there are facts, which are fully provable, and theories, which are just people's ideas. These uses of the words fact and theory are, unfortunately, somewhat naïve.

There are very few scientific facts. A fact needs to be observed over and over again, and no known observations are found to the contrary. But not everything that we call a "fact" is as certain as we think. There are some "facts" from history which had not been found wanting for centuries. Laws are related to facts. Take Newton's Laws of Motion, for example. These laws still work in conditions with which we are familiar, but we know that they do not apply when we study objects moving at velocities approaching the speed of light.

The National Academy of Sciences defines a theory as "a well-substantiated explanation of some aspect of the natural world, based on a body of facts that have been repeatedly confirmed through observation and experiment". But evolutionary ideas are not confirmed by experiment and definitely not by observation. So evolution does not fulfill the definition of a scientific theory. We can state that evolution is not actually a theory; it is a statement of someone's worldview, the belief system with which they interpret the world.

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