

9/3/2023

# First Christian Reformed Church



**We welcome our guests** and hope that you will be blessed by worshipping the Lord together with us today. If you are presently seeking a church home, we welcome you to join us here at First CRC! You will find a guest card in your pew. Please fill one out and place it in the offering bag during the service so we can reach out to you. If you would like further information about our church, please visit us at [www.waupuncrc.com](http://www.waupuncrc.com) or call (920-324-2898) or email the church office ([waupuncrc@gmail.com](mailto:waupuncrc@gmail.com)). Pastor Greg Schuringa would be happy to connect with you after the service or during the week as well: [pastorgreg@waupuncrc.com](mailto:pastorgreg@waupuncrc.com).

**Large-print bulletins** and **children's bulletins** are available from an usher.

You can watch our services live on Facebook and later from our website as well as view the bulletin there. Website address is [www.waupuncrc.com](http://www.waupuncrc.com)

**Our Core Values:** We show Christ's love through continual learning and discipleship, compassionate fellowship, dynamic public worship, and impactful service and outreach.



**FIRST CHRISTIAN  
REFORMED CHURCH**  
WAUPUN, WISCONSIN

**Office hours: Thursdays, 10 AM to 2 PM**

**All announcements are due in the office by noon Thursday**

**Phone: 920-324-2898    email: [waupuncrc@gmail.com](mailto:waupuncrc@gmail.com)**

**PO Box 32, Waupun**

9:30 AM Worship Service  
\* Please stand if you are able.

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

\*God's Greeting

\*Songs of Worship: "Who You Say I Am" "O Come to the Altar"  
"Sovereign Over Us"

\*Profession of Our Faith: Article 41 from Our World Belongs to God

Congregational Prayer

A Prayer for Our Work

Offering: Local Budget and Faith Promise Fund

Song of Worship: "Praise the Lord, Sing Hallelujah" (G188)

*Children ages 3-6 are invited to children's worship while we sing*

\*Scripture Reading: 2 Corinthians 10

Message: "2 Corinthians #15: Evidence of a Church Laboring Well"

Prayer

\*Song of Response: "For the Fruit of All Creation"

\*Benediction

\*Doxology: "Salvation Belongs to Our God"

\*Postlude

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**Taking part in worship today:**

- Worship Leader and Sermon: Pastor Greg Schuringa
- Accompanist: Laura Ten Pass
- Worship Team: Pastor Greg; Laura Ten Pass (piano); Nikki Durni (acoustic guitar and vocals); Rachel Hoffman, Michelle Mulder, Heidi Smits (vocals)
- Media Team: Scott Ritzema, Beth Schlieve, Brad Mulder
- Coffee: Randall and Kim Greenfield

- Children's Worship: Mackenzie Mulder, Jenna Schouten, Morgan Buwalda
- Nursery: Emily Aalsma, Jessica Ten Pass, Elliana Mulder
- Ushers: Brad Schouten, Owen Mulder

**Missionary Letters**

K Ten Pas to Neen\*

B Ten Pass to Chaplain Pete

\*Pray especially for this missionary family this week.

## Giving to First CRC

If you feel led to give to our church's ministry, please place your donation in the offering bags passed by the deacons during the service. All loose cash offerings will go to the Faith Promise Fund the first Sunday and the month's special offering the remaining Sundays (REACH Waupun for September), while any loose and undesignated checks will go to the local budget. Budget envelopes will go to the designated funds. On-line giving is also available, just go to our website and click on "Give" at the top of the page. Please talk to a deacon if you want more information about giving to First CRC.

### Total Donations Received in August: \$35,665.85

Receipt of Specific Funds (Not all Funds listed):

General Fund: \$24,480.79

Building Fund: \$2,045.00

Benevolent: \$1,849.06

Faith Promise: \$1,671.00

Monthly Cause (One Waupun): \$1,007.00

Denominational: \$645.00

Classical: \$425.00

## Our Family

As you pray this week, please remember the following:

- **Sarah Schuringa**, hip surgery recovery.
- **Carol Greenfield**, recovery from fall.
- **Margaret Miedema**, effective treatments.
- **Eillean Vant Hoff**, hip surgery recovery.
- **Kathy Kamphuis, Laura Ten Pass**, cancer treatments.
- **Eden Homan**, wisdom for doctors and Ben and Alyssa on a surgery.

The Outreach Committee wants to thank everyone who helped with the Neighborhood Block Party! We were so excited to see so many people from our neighborhood and community in attendance! We would like to thank those who put up the tent, volunteered to help with organizing and serving the food, brought food items, donated the delicious pork, and helped us take down after the event. We are also thankful for Classis WI, which helps support us financially in our Outreach Programs!

## Church News

### Upcoming Worship Highlights

- September 10: New sermon series—**Old Testament Heroes of the Faith**. We'll plan to complete the 2 Corinthians sermon series in the new year.

- September 24: **WIEA** (Wisconsin Inmate Education Association) Update in Worship (World Communion Sunday)
- October 1: **Communion**

**The youth group leaders are looking for people** within our church that are willing to help us with childcare for our children. This will be on Wednesday nights when we have youth group from 6:30-9:15. If you are willing to help, please contact Noah Mulder or Tyler and Jessica Ten Pass. Thank you!

**Men's Bible Study.** *Finishing Strong: Going the Distance for Your Family* by Steve Farrar. We'll be meeting the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays starting at 6:30 PM (the same time as the Women's evening Bible Study) beginning on September 27. This study will benefit men of all ages as well as the people we influence around us. Please contact Pastor Greg Schuringa (pastorgreg@waupuncrc.com) or the church office (waupuncrc@gmail.com) by September 15 to register.

**Juniors and Seniors:** Catechism will begin on September 10, at 8:30 AM. If you have any questions, please talk to Al Venhuizen or Sarah Schuringa.

Next Sunday, September 10, there will be a Code of Conduct meeting after church for all those involved with our youth. If you have questions, please talk to Brian O'Donovan.

**Sunday School and Catechism** for grades 10 and under will start on September 17.

*"Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful. And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another..." Hebrews 10:23-2.* **The high school youth group is looking for some energetic adults to join our team!** The school year is starting soon, and we are still in need of 3 men and 1 woman to join our team as we mentor and disciple our high school students to become living sacrifices that have a vibrant and intimate relationship with Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior. This year our high school youth group will be meeting every Wednesday with small group Bible studies, large group activities, or split as First/Bethel groups. As a high school youth group mentor, you'll enjoy small group Bible study with the students, walking alongside them as they grow in their faith, praying for them, pointing them to Christ, helping them with life's challenges and struggles, as well as fun activities and service projects. Please prayerfully consider serving in this ministry and reach out to Jen Vlietstra at [cjvliet@charter.net](mailto:cjvliet@charter.net), Bryant

Greenfield at [bryant.greenfield@gmail.com](mailto:bryant.greenfield@gmail.com), Noah Mulder at [swdnoahmulder@gmail.com](mailto:swdnoahmulder@gmail.com) or one of the church education team members if you'd like to learn more about this wonderful opportunity!

**With the beginning of the school year comes a new youth ministry season.** The high school youth group is excited to kickoff the new school year with a get together at Bryant & Liz Greenfield's at 6:30 PM on Wednesday, September 13! And the SWaT middle school youth group will be hosting their kickoff and registration night Wednesday, September 13 as well, at Bethel CRC from 6:30-8:00 PM. Please have your son or daughter bring along a lawn chair for their evening festivities.

**The Women's Wednesday afternoon Bible Study** will meet every Wednesday beginning September 13, at 1:00, in the upstairs classroom. We will be using the 12-week study from Faith Alive, "Discover: Genesis, The Beginning of the Story." Please contact Linda Pausma or Sue Buwalda if you're interested in joining us.

**A new Women's Bible Study is coming this fall!** We will be meeting every other Wednesday night from 6:30 to 8:00 here at church in the upper room. Our first meeting will be Wednesday, September 13, and we will be studying the Psalms. All are welcome! Contact Sarah Schuringa with questions, or to register.

## **Community News**

**Auction Countdown is On!!!** The list is growing daily and the plans are being finalized as we head to the Wild, Wild West Central Wisconsin Christian Harvest Auction 2023. We're excited to experience a great night of fellowship and friend/fundraising. The online silent auction will open up on September 17, with the live event set for Friday, September 22. Please register, order your meal, or make your donations at [cwcauction.com](http://cwcauction.com), where you can watch the list grow and see all of the details. Bake sale items can be dropped off the morning of the event prior to 11 AM. Once you register, we'll prepare your personalized auction packet and have you ready to roll when you arrive. Don't miss this great night—wear your western-themed costume, and take along some friends as together we impact the lives of the kids.

The **Pregnancy Support Center of Dodge County Fall Benefit** is Saturday, Sept. 23, at the Juneau Community Center. There will be a dinner buffet, speaker, and silent auction. You must register ahead of time. See more details and the registration form on the table in the narthex.

## Calendar

**Today:** 9:30 AM Worship Service  
**Wednesday:** 6:30 PM Elders Meeting  
**Sunday:** 8:30 AM 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> Grade Catechism  
9:30 AM Worship Service

## Next Week

### **Accompanist**

Laura Ten Pass

### **Livestream**

Randall Greenfield

### **Coffee**

Bob and Michelle Mulder

### **PPT**

Ryer Greenfield

### **Children's Worship**

Becca Vree, Kolten Buwalda, Troy Hoffman

### **Sound System**

Pete Vander Werff

### **Nursery**

Lynnae Franken, Aubryn DeJager, Cassidy Ritzema

### **Ushers**

Tom Jonker, Andy Schlieve

Care Group	Elder	Deacon
1	Keith Buwalda (2025)	Todd Schouten (2024)
2	Brian O'Donovan (2026)	Tyler Jansen (2025)
3	Bob Mulder (2025)	Todd Schouten (2024)
4	George Aalsma (2024)	Mitch Vree (2025)
5	Dan Scheuers (2025)	Tyler Ten Pass (2024)
6	Al Venhuizen (2026)	Mike Hoffman (2026)
7	Brad Schouten (2026)	Kirk Van Buren (2026)
8	Ray Hofman (2024)	Tyler Ten Pass (2024)

## **Who You Say I Am**

**Verse 1:** Who am I that the highest King - Would welcome me  
I was lost but He brought me in - Oh His love for me - Oh His love for me

**Chorus 1:** Who the Son sets free - Oh is free indeed  
I'm a child of God - Yes I am

**Verse 2:** Free at last - He has ransomed me - His grace runs deep  
While I was a slave to sin - Jesus died for me - Yes He died for me

**Chorus 2:** In my Father's house - There's a place for me  
I'm a child of God - Yes I am

**Bridge:** I am chosen not forsaken - I am who You say I am

You are for me not against me - I am who You say I am

**Tag:** (Oh) (Yes) I am who You say I am

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## **O Come To The Altar**

**Verse 1:** Are you hurting and broken within

Overwhelmed by the weight of your sin - Jesus is calling

Have you come to the end of yourself

Do you thirst for a drink from the well - Jesus is calling

**Chorus:** O come to the altar - The Father's arms are open wide

Forgiveness was bought with - The precious blood of Jesus Christ

**Verse 2:** Leave behind your regrets and mistakes

Come today there's no reason to wait - Jesus is calling

Bring your sorrows and trade them for joy

From the ashes a new life is born - Jesus is calling

**Bridge:** Oh what a Savior - Isn't he wonderful

Sing alleluia Christ is risen - Bow down before him

For he is Lord of all - Sing alleluia Christ is risen

**Verse 3:** Bear your cross as you wait for the crown

Tell the world of the treasure you've found

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## **Sovereign Over Us**

**Verse 1:** There is strength within the sorrow - There is beauty in our tears

And You meet us in our mourning - With a love that casts out fear

**Verse 2:** You are working in our waiting - Sanctifying us

When beyond our understanding - You're teaching us to trust

**Chorus:** Your plans are still to prosper - You've not forgotten us

You're with us in the fire and the flood - Faithful forever perfect in love

You are sov'reign over us

**Verse 3:** You are wisdom unimagined - Who could understand Your ways

Reigning high above the heavens - Reaching down in endless grace

**Verse 4:** You're the lifter of the lowly - Compassionate and kind

You surround and You uphold me - And Your promises are my delight

**Bridge:** Even what the enemy means for evil - You turn it for our good

You turn it for our good - And for Your glory

Even in the valley You are faithful - You're working for our good

You're working for our good - And for Your glory

**Ending:** Faithful forever perfect in love - You are sov'reign over us

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## **For The Fruits Of All Creation**

**Verse 1:** For the fruit of all creation - Thanks be to God

For His gifts to every nation - Thanks be to God

For the plowing sowing reaping - Silent growth while we are sleeping

Future needs in earth's safekeeping - Thanks be to God

**Verse 2:** In the just reward of labor - God's will is done

In the help we give our neighbor - God's will is done

In our worldwide task of caring - For the hungry and despairing

In the harvests we are sharing - God's will is done

**Verse 3:** For the harvests of the Spirit - Thanks be to God

For the good we all inherit - Thanks be to God

For the wonders that astound us - For the truths that still confound us

Most of all that love has found us - Thanks be to God

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## **Salvation Belongs To Our God**

**Verse 1:** Salvation belongs to our God - Who sits upon the throne

And unto the Lamb - Praise and glory wisdom and thanks

Honour and power and strength

**Chorus:** Be to our God forever and ever - Be to our God forever and ever

Be to our God forever and ever – Amen

**Verse 2:** And we the redeemed shall be strong - In purpose and unity

Declaring aloud - Praise and glory wisdom and thanks

Honour and power and strength

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