First Christian Reformed Church



We welcome our guests and hope that you will be blessed by worshiping 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 basket on the table on the way out, so we can reach out to you. If you would like further information about our church, please visit us at www.waupuncrc.com or call or email the church office at 920-324-2898. Pastor Greg Schuringa would be happy to connect with you after the service or during the week as well: 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

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



Office hours: Thursdays, 10 AM to 2 PM All announcements are due in the office by noon Thursday Phone: 920-324-2898 email: <u>waupuncrc@gmail.com</u> PO Box 32, Waupun 9:30 AM Worship Service

* Please stand if you are able.

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

*God's Greeting

*Song of Praise: "Standing on the Promises" R410:1, 2, 4, 5

Celebration of Baptism: Archer Bear Mulder

Q&A 66: WHAT ARE SACRAMENTS?

Sacraments are holy signs and seals for us to see.

They were instituted by God so that by our use of them he might make us understand more clearly the promise of the gospel and might put a seal on that promise.

And this is God's gospel promise: To forgive our sins and give us eternal life by grace alone because of Christ's one sacrifice finished on the cross.

Q&A 69: HOW DOES BAPTISM REMIND YOU AND ASSURE YOU THAT CHRIST'S ONE SACRIFICE ON THE CROSS IS FOR YOU PERSONALLY?

In this way: Christ instituted this outward washing and with it gave the promise that, as surely as water washes away dirt from the body, so certainly his blood and his Spirit wash away my soul's impurity, in other words, all my sins.

Q&A 70: WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE WASHED WITH CHRIST'S BLOOD AND SPIRIT?

To be washed with Christ's blood means that God, by grace, has forgiven my sins because of Christ's blood poured out for me in his sacrifice on the cross.

To be washed with Christ's Spirit means that the Holy Spirit has renewed me and set me apart to be a member of Christ so that more and more I become dead to sin and increasingly live a holy and blameless life.

Q&A 74: SHOULD INFANTS TOO BE BAPTIZED?

Yes. Infants as well as adults are in God's covenant and are his people.

They, no less than adults, are promised the forgiveness of sins through Christ's blood and the Holy Spirit who produces faith. Therefore, by baptism, the mark of the covenant, infants should be received into the Christian church and should be distinguished from the children of unbelievers.

This was done in the Old Testament by circumcision, which was replaced in the New Testament by baptism.

Song of Dedication: "Our Children, Lord, in Faith and Prayer" G270 Congregational Prayer

Songs of Worship: "Jesus Take All of Me (Just As I Am)"

"He Knows My Name" "Speak, Oh Lord" *Scripture: Genesis 17:7-8; Acts 2:38-39; Colossians 2:11-13 Message: "Common Questions About Infant Baptism" *Song of Response: "Nothing But the Blood of Jesus" R337:1, 3, 4 *Benediction *Doxology: "Go, My Children, with My Blessing"

*Postlude

Taking part in worship today:

- Worship Leader and Sermon: Pastor Greg Schuringa
- Accompanists: Marlyce Mulder, Greg Schuringa
- Vocalists: Josie, Neal and Renae Venhuizen
- Media Team: Pete Vander Werff, Lois Mulder, Mike Vander Berg
- Coffee: Mike & Bonnie Vander Berg

• Nursery: Mitch & Becca Vree, Kolten Buwalda

Missionary Letters

- S Tjepkema to Daryl Pfantz
- B Van Herwaarden to Neen+
- D Vande Berg 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 leave your donation in the basket on the table in the narthex. All loose cash offerings will go to the month's special offering (Church Health Services for October), while any loose and undesignated checks will go to the local budget. Budget envelopes will go to the designated funds.

Our Family			
October Birthday		October Anniversary	
Tyler Jansen	6	Joe & Karen Durant	3
Trayton Greenfield	7	Randall & Kim Greenfield	4
Sarah Schuringa	7		

As you pray this week, please remember these people:

- Laura Ten Pass, radiation treatments.
- Harold Greenfield, radiation treatments.
- Marty Miedema, for complete healing.
- Larry Pluim, chemotherapy treatments.
- Brenda Merhalski, continued monitoring and scans.
- Kathy Bille, sympathy to husband, Bob, and brother Jim (and Lois) Groenewold and all her family and friends, in her passing away. Services were held on Friday.
- Dick Heeringa, as his health is declining rapidly.

It can be easy to forget about those 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."

Wilma Navis

Dr. Greg Schuringa will be out of the office most of this coming week to officiate at his niece's wedding.

There will be no office hours this week. Please contact Lois Mulder (318-1723) if you need anything.

Church News

A kick-off for all Life Groups will be on Sunday, October 10, at 5:30 in the church basement! We will enjoy light appetizers and sweets, fun, and then divide into our individual groups!

Community News

Changing Church for a Changing Culture is open at any member of classis to attend. We encourage church evangelism and outreach committees to attend to work together in learning, dreaming and envisioning what God can do in their local community by the church engaging in their community in new and fresh ways. The seminar will explain what it means to have and engage in a fresh expression of church in your community. The event is free, lunch will be provided, free will offering will be accepted. The event is Saturday, October 30, from 9:30 to 3:30 at 103 S Cedar St Horicon. Register online at **FreshExpressionsUS.org/event/WisconsinVisionDay.**

All are invited to attend the **76th annual Welsh/English Hymn** sing at 2:30 PM and 6:00 PM at the historic First Presbyterian Church in Cambria. Join in and experience this traditional hymn sing sung in four-part harmony. This

Gamanfa Ganu will be directed by the Rev. Tom White from North Fond du Lac, accompanied by Steve Jensen from Milwaukee and special music by Jason Bernhagen of Waupun. A supper will be served in the church between the sessions. The suggested donation for the supper is \$9.

Randolph Christian School is once again kicking off Fall with our annual Apple Pie fundraiser. Our apple pies are made with fresh Wisconsin apples, sweetened with sugar and cinnamon and topped with our homemade butter crumb topping. Pies are \$13 each and will be made October 20-22. If you would like to place an order you may contact any RCS family (they deliver!), call the school office at 920-326-3320 or go online at https://www.randolphchristian.org/pies. We are also looking for volunteers! If you have a couple hours to spare, please consider helping us on October 20 starting at 12:30 PM and October 21 starting at 8:00 AM in the school gym. Anytime you can give is appreciated!

Israel & Jordan Study Tour (March 31 - April 12, 2022): Travel to NT sites connected with Jesus' life and the early church: Bethlehem, Nazareth, Caesarea, Capernaum, Bethsaida, Sea of Galilee, Caesarea Philippi, the major biblical places in Jerusalem, Masada and much more. This tour also uniquely involves key biblical sites in Jordan, including the amazing city of Petra. Contact Dr. Jeff Weima, Professor at Calvin Theological Seminary and leading biblical scholar, at *wemje@calvinseminary.edu* or 616-328-3110.

Calendar	

Today:	9:30 AM	Worship Service	
Wednesday:	6:30 PM	GEMS Registration and Theme Night at	
		Bethel CRC	
Sunday:	9:30 AM	Worship Service	

<u>Next Week</u> Accompanist Brenda Hofman

Coffee Time Al & LeAnne Holden

Nursery Andy & Beth Schlieve, Elliana Mulder Livestream Jake Vander Werff

PPT Beth Schlieve

Sound System Joe Bresser

Group	Elder	Deacon
1	Joe Durant (2022)	Todd Schouten (2024)
2	Denny Vande Berg (2023)	
3	Keith Venhuizen (2022)	
4	George Aalsma (2024)	Brian Van Herwaarden (2022)
5	Dan Montsma (2022)	Eric Schaver (2022)
6	Steve Smits (2023)	Noah Mulder (2023)
7	Ben Homan (2023)	Pete Vander Werff (2023)
8	Ray Hofman (2024)	Tyler Ten Pass (2024)

Sermon Notes