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. 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.

You can listen to sermons from our website as well as view the bulletin. 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.

All announcements due in the office by 12:00 noon Thursday
Phone: 920-324-2898 email: waupuncrc@gmail.com

Pastor Harv: 616-402-1342

Last Week's Offerings

General Fund: \$6,390

OH4F: \$185

Special cause for September is OH4F (Open Hands for the Fatherless)

NOTE: There are no church office hours during this time, but please call Allegra (318-1265) or Lois (318-1723) if you have a question.

Our Family

| September Birthdays | Shirley Jansma | 22 | |
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| Brian O'Donovan | 20 | Noah Mulder | 24 |
| Bonnie Vander Berg | 20 | Louie Wierenga | 25 |
| George Aalsma | 21 | Lois Pausma | 26 |

September Anniversaries

| Dan & Gladys Montsma | 21 |
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| Jesse & Amanda Buteyn | 22 |

As you pray this week, please remember these people:

- Janet Ver Hage, as she is on a new trial drug.
- Carlie Jansen, as she continues with cancer treatment.
- Laura Ten Pass, as she continues with cancer treatments.
- Leanne Johnson, continue to pray for healing.
- Carol Navis, as she continues to deal with her cancer.
- Margaret Miedema for healing from Babesiosis.
- Brenda Merhalski, as she is dealing 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."

Wilma Navis
 Jeanette Tjepkema

Today we are privileged to witness the baptism of Liam Allen Huizenga, son of Seth and Jacqueline Huizenga.

Help us celebrate the marriage Phylicia Bronkhorst and Nathan Coda by placing donated household goods in the box in the narthex (or outside by the back steps) by Sunday, Oct. 11. Cleaning supplies, popcorn, kitchen utensils, and whatever else you can think up would show this couple that they are loved. Thank you for your partnership. You all are truly a blessing to the Kingdom of God and Bible League International. You are making an eternal difference in the lives of many people in need of God's Word. May God continue to bless your ministry. Your sister in Christ, Nikesha Childress. Donor Relations Manager.

First Christian Reformed Church, many thanks for your donation of 4100 We would not be able to carry out our mission without the generosity of people like you. Thank you for your thoughtfulness.

- Waupun Area Food Pantry

Church News

The Outreach Team will be sponsoring a drive-by brat meal at the Community Table on September 23. We are excited to be serving our community again. We will be purchasing brats and chips but are looking for donations of hotdog buns and clusters of bananas. We will be sending an email out soon with a sign-up for these donations. Thank you for your continued support.

YOUTH GROUP FUNDRAISER- We are selling **Butter Braids** again! These desserts are the perfect combination of delicious and convenient! Orders are due by September 30 and will be delivered on October 7. Reach out to a high school student to order yours today!

Although we are unable to organize any **Bible Studies** this fall, we encourage everyone to either do one independently or with people you are comfortable being with at this time. Our church owns several Bible Studies and we have access to more on Right Now Media. If you would like to have any of these materials, please talk to Mike or Bonnie Vander Berg and we will get them for you. It is our hope that we will be able to do a four-lesson churchwide Bible study as we prepare for Advent. Look for an e-mail next week for the list of Bible studies we already own and can be used.

Men's Discipleship at First CRC: Our church council recently approved the formation of a Men's Discipleship group at our church. This group will consist of men who have a hunger to grow their faith regardless of where they are at currently. We plan to pair up men that have the ability to teach others with those that have a desire to disciple others in the future. In a sense, this will be a mentorship program for men in our church where these pairs will meet together regularly to grow together in God's Word and to do life together. Are you interested in being a mentor for a man in our church that may be younger in his faith but eager to grow? If you think you might be interested, please register for the free eight-week Disciple-Making Training

offered by the ONE Waupun ministry. This training will take place at 6 AM on Wednesday mornings and then again at 7 PM on Wednesday evenings so you can choose the time that works best for you. This training will run from September 30 to November 18. If you would like to take advantage of this training or have questions about it, contact Mike Vander Berg (mvb2serve@gmail.com or 920.382.5559). Please prayerfully consider being a part of this group. This will be a great opportunity to invest your time into something with eternal significance. For those interested in being mentored by another man in our church, please talk one of the elders or to Mike Vander Berg in the coming weeks.

We are looking to hire a part-time **Worship Coordinator/Leader**. You can see the position description on our website at http://www.waupuncrc.com/editoruploads/files/Worship_Leader_Job_Description.pdf. If you are interested, please contact Gary DeJager.

Video System Update: The deacons would like to thank the congregation for the (outstanding) support for the video system. The total raised over the last few weeks was almost \$10,500! The equipment for the system has been ordered and may take several weeks before the company can get it installed. We would also like to thank Mike VDB and the building committee for their work on getting this project together.

Leadership Development Network is a program sponsored through the Classical Mission Committee where participants gather and learn about Biblical Theology, Church History, Reformed Doctrine and Practical Ministry Skills. They meet on the second Sunday of each month for about three hours of teaching and engaging with each other on the subject matter. This year begins with Biblical Theology on October 11 starting at 1:30 PM at MarshView Ministries in Horicon. If you would like more information about this challenging learning opportunity, contact Pastor Dave Katsma at pastordlk@gmail.com or 920-296-1448. There is still time to join the group.

Community News

<u>Calendar</u>

Today: 9:30 AM Worship Service in the parking lot

Tuesday: 8:00 AM Prayer Meeting

Sunday: 9:30 AM Worship Service in the parking lot

| Group | <u>Elder</u> | <u>Deacon</u> |
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| 1 | Joe Durant (2022) | Jon Mulder (2021) |
| 2 | Denny Vande Berg (2023) | |
| 3 | Keith Venhuizen (2022) | |
| 4 | Gary De Jager (2021) | 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 | Kevin Buwalda (2021) | Andy Schlieve (2021) |