

2/16/2020

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

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

Church Office Hours

Tuesdays 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: "Bring Us Near" by the New Gs

Call to Worship – Psalm 96

Opening: "Jesus" by the New Gs

"All Arise" by the New Gs

"Wonderful, Merciful Savior"

*God's Greeting and We Greet One Another

We Are Renewed in God's Grace

Confession and Assurance

Song: "There Is a Fountain" by the New Gs

Congregational Prayer

Offertory and Our Offerings: Envelopes and

Voice of the Martyrs

Children are dismissed for Walk Out Worship

God Speaks through His Word

*Scripture: Ruth 3

Sermon: Dare to Plan

We Respond to God's Word

Song of Response: "You Are My All in All"

We Leave to Serve God

*God's Parting Blessing

*Doxology: "Benediction"

*Postlude

Accompanist

Laura Ten Pass

Children & Worship

Kim Greenfield

Jolie Schouten

Jaxon Buteyn

Elder/Deacon Greeters

Gary DeJager

Brian Van Herwaarden

Fellowship Coffee

Steve & Heidi Smits

Greeters

Phylcia Bronkhorst & Levi

Holbach

Nursery

Keith & Laura Venhuizen

Kolten Buwalda

Sound System

Glen Greenfield

Transportation

Bob Mulder (382-0926)

Ushers

Bob Mulder

Glen Greenfield

Noah Mulder

Brian O'Donovan

Video Projection

Leanne Holden

Missionary Letters

R Greenfield to Daryl Pfantz

T Greenfield to Neen

J Groenewold to Chaplain

Pete+

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

6:00 PM Worship Service
(*Please stand if you are able)

Prelude

Call to Worship

*God's Greeting

Opening Songs led by Michelle Mulder

Prayers of the People led by Merle Schouten

*We Study God's Word: Romans 8: 26, 27

Message: **Prayer Starts with God**

*Song of Response: "I Need Thee Every Hour"

*Affirmation of our Faith: Apostles' Creed

*Benediction

*Closing Song: "Doxology"

*Postlude

Worship Notes

This morning the New Gs will lead our opening worship and Pastor Harv will lead us in a study of Ruth 3. This evening we will look at Romans 8.

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: \$2,860

Voice of the Martyrs: \$169

Upcoming evening and special services

Feb. 23 – PM Worship led by Forsell Gappa

Mar. 1 – PM Worship: churchwide Bible study series

Mar. 8 – PM Worship: churchwide Bible study series

Mar. 15 – PM Worship: churchwide Bible study series

Mar. 22 – PM Worship: churchwide Bible study series

Mar. 29 – PM Worship led by Pastor Harv

April 5 – PM Palm Sunday Hymn Sing

Our Family

We are pleased to announce that we received the membership papers of Mike and Rachel Hoffman and their three children. Please joining us in welcoming them into the First CRC family.

Please remember to contact your Elder for any concerns that arise. The Elders and Deacons by Care Group are listed in the bulletin.

February Birthdays

Jesse Buteyn	16	Thomas Venhuizen	16
Martin Miedema	16	Gretchen Schaver	17
Jason Schmitt	16	Andrea Buwalda	19

As you pray this week, please remember these people:

- Janet Ver Hage as she is on a new trial drug.
- Carlie Jansen, as she recovers from surgery.
- Laura Ten Pass as she continues with cancer treatments.
- Leanne Johnson, continue to pray for healing.
- Paul Vande Kolk as he is receiving treatment for lung cancer.
- Carol Navis, that she continues to do well.
- Karen Aalsma, as she is receiving treatment for cancer.
- Kathy Kamphuis, as she recovers from surgery.
- Erin Stroede's sister Cassie as she has been diagnosed with 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
- Elsie Winkel

Church News

We are hosting the Classis meeting on Tuesday, Feb. 25. The Lunch Committee is asking people to sign up to bring items for lunch and to help serve the lunch. The sign-up sheet is in the basement.

Profession of Faith Class: Have you had questions about public profession of faith? Scott Ritzema is offering to teach the profession of faith classes this year. Please contact him if you are interested in attending or if you want more information.

The **Search Team** is actively reviewing potential pastor profiles. If you know of anyone that you would like for consideration, please inform a Search Team member.

The Outreach Committee is planning a meal before the movie on Saturday night and we need your help! **Would you be willing to make a 9x13 dessert or 15 cupcakes?** We would like to have a dessert buffet to go with the rest of the meal. There will be a sign-up sheet in the basement. If you have any questions, talk to Bonnie Vander Berg. Thanks!

Dinner and a Movie: Saturday, February 22!! The Outreach Committee is serving a meal before the movie!! They will have chili, hot ham and cheese buns, chips, and a dessert buffet from 4-5:30. The movie *Overcomer* will be shown upstairs at 6:00 and *Toy Story IV* for children in the basement (with supervision). Of course, we will have popcorn during the movie as well. Please invite neighbors and friends!

A second couple is still needed to help in preparing for our **communion services**. If you are interested in serving in this way, please talk to Steve Homan.

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. We ask that you pray that we will all be led by the Holy Spirit as we seek to discern God's will. 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.

Mark your calendars! The First/Bethel Youth Group will be hosting a **Spaghetti Supper** on Wednesday, March 4. More details to come!

Community News

Waupun Community Blood Drive at Edgewood Church: Thursday, Feb. 20, from 1-6 PM. For an appointment, call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit redcrossblood.org and enter sponsor code: Waupun. Sponsored by Waupun Kiwanis and CWC. By donating at this blood drive, you are helping one or more CWC graduating seniors earn a scholarship!

The Christian Home needs volunteers: Check the bulletin board in the basement for more details. Call Linda, activities supervisor, at 324-7648 if you can help. Once a week or once a month—it all helps.

8th Grade Fundraiser Night at Pizza Ranch: The CWC 8th grade class is raising money to help 2-4 students go to school with desks, windows and running water in Mozambique! They have begun school and are still working to secure funds to complete the school year. Coming to the Pizza Ranch on Monday, Feb. 24, will help them have a great school year. Our 8th grade students will be working that night, so please come out and put them to work! We'd love to see you there!

Thank A Farmer Night: On Friday, Feb. 21, the CWC Ag Club will be hosting Thank A Farmer Night. A fundraiser meal will be served. Come help them support our local farming community. **Note:** JV Boys and Girls at 4:30 PM, Girls Varsity at 6, and Boys Varsity at 7:15. All teams are playing Hustisford.

Youth for Christ Bowlathon: Looking for a fun event for your small group? Like to bowl? Help Youth for Christ and their mission to reach out to area youth. On Saturday, March 7, YFC will be holding their annual Bowlathon fundraiser at Jud's Lanes in Waupun. Teams of 5 people are asked to raise pledges, bowl 2 games, and have a great time together while helping YFC in their ministry in the area. The event includes music, a DJ, and silent auction. Participants will be eligible for numerous prizes! For more information, available times, or to get a team packet, sign up online at www.badgerlandyfc.org or contact the Youth for Christ office at 923-1416 or office@badgerlandyfc.org

Calendar

Today:	8:45 AM	Prayer Meeting in church basement
	9:30 AM	AM Worship Service
	10:45 AM	Sunday School
	6:00 PM	PM Worship Service
Monday:	6:00 PM	Friendship Bible Study
Tuesday:	8:00 AM	Prayer Meeting
Wednesday:	9:00 AM	Coffee Break @ Bethel CRC
	10:00 AM	Men's Morning Bible Study at Mike V.
	6:30 PM	GEMS Club Night @ Bethel CRC
	6:30 PM	Cadets Tubing or Sledding TBD
Saturday:	4:00 PM	Dinner & a Movie
Sunday:	8:45 AM	Prayer Meeting in church basement
	9:30 AM	AM Worship Service
	6:00 PM	PM Worship Service

Next Week

Accompanist

Lois Mulder

Children & Worship

Leader: Jessica Ten Pass

Cassidy Ritzema

Kolten Buwalda

Elder/Deacon Greeters

Dan Montsma

Eric Schaver

Fellowship Coffee

Gregg & Kristi Zonnefeld

Greeters

Vanessa and Hailey Buteyn

Musical Praise

Toni Hofman

Nursery

Andrea Buwalda

Carlie Jansen

Emma Hoffman

Offering: Budget Envelopes

February Cause: Voice of the Martyrs

PM Prayer

Al Venhuizen

Sound System

Joe Bresser

Ushers

Bob Mulder

Glen Greenfield

Noah Mulder

Brian O'Donovan

Video Projection

Mike Vander Berg

<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

Plants Call In Air Defenses



And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth. (John 1:14)

When attacked, many plants make chemicals that will give munching insects a bad case of indigestion. They also seem to warn their neighbors about the attack so that they, too, start up their defenses.

Some plants even call in air defenses. Some plants, when attacked by caterpillars, release a scent that scientists simply describe as "green leaf odors." These odors attract certain female wasps, who home in on the plant. The wasp will sting the caterpillar, leaving him paralyzed. She then lays her eggs in the pest, who remains paralyzed until the hatching young wasps consume it. That "green leaf odor" is a plant's way of calling in air defenses. It is communication between plant and insect!

Some evolutionary biologists are upset with the intelligence and design in this arrangement. Plants are supposed to be too simple to communicate. As one evolutionist put it, this is "not a defense against anything" ... it "just happens."

I remember trying that excuse as a child. The cookie jar fell to the floor while I was trying to sneak a cookie. "It just happened," I said, as if the cookie jar had come alive before my unbelieving eyes and jumped to the floor. My mother reminded me that things don't "just happen." And science teaches us that things don't "just happen." Not only do we see that God exists, we also see a bit of His love in providing for the plant and His intelligence as the author of communication.

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