# 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

\*Opening Songs: "All Heavens Declare"

"Wonderful Merciful Savior"

\*Call to Worship

Worship Leader: The Lord reigns, He is robed

in majesty

Everyone: The Lord is robed in majesty and is armed with strength

Worship Leader: The world is firmly

established.

Men: It cannot be moved

Everyone: Your throne was established long ago; You are from all eternity.

Worship Leader: The seas have lifted up, O

Lord

Women: The seas have lifted their voice. Everyone: The seas have lifted up their pounding waves.

Worship Leader: Mightier than the thunder of the great waves.

Men: Mightier than the breakers of the sea-Everyone: The Lord on High is mighty! Worship Leader: Your statues stand firm; Women: Holiness adorns your house for

endless days, O Lord!

Everyone: The Lord on high is mighty!

\*Song: "I Sing the Mighty Power of God" &

"Great and Mighty"

\*God's Greeting and We Greet One Another

## We Are Renewed in God's Grace

Confession and Assurance/Preparatory

Song: "The Power of Your Love"

Congregational Prayer

Offertory and Our Offerings

Children are dismissed for Walk Out Worship

# Accompanist

Brenda Hofman

#### Children & Worship

Mackenzie Mulder Neil Venhuizen Cody Van Herwaarden

### **Elder/Deacon Greeters**

Tom Jonker Randall Greenfield

#### Fellowship Coffee

Mike & Bonnie Vander Berg

#### Greeters

Jesse & Amanda Buteyn Family

#### Nursery

Danielle Jansma Kim Greenfield Javden Jansma

#### Sound System

Tyler Jansen

#### Transportation

Bob Mulder (382-0926)

#### **Ushers**

Ray Hofman Al Holden Will Bronkhorst Thomas Venhuizen

## Video Projection

Beth Schlieve

## **Missionary Letters**

G Hofman to Daryl Pfantz P Hofman to Neen+ R Hofman to Chaplain Pete

\*Please pray especially for this missionary family this week

## God Speaks through His Word

\*Scripture: Mark 14:12-26

Sermon: Something Old, Something New

## We Respond to God's Word

\*Song of Response: "There is a Redeemer"

## We Leave to Serve God

\*God's Parting Blessing

Closing: "Benediction"

\*Postlude

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

Prelude

Call to Worship

\*God's Greeting

Opening Songs

Prayers of the People

Bible Study

\*Benediction

\*Closing Song

\*Postlude

# **Worship Notes**

**This morning** Matt Hofman will lead us in worship as we look at Mark 14. This evening Keith Venhuizen will lead worship and the viewing of the video from the church-wide Bible study series.

# **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 General Fund: \$7,690 Voice of the Martyrs: \$783

## Upcoming evening and special services

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**

# **March Birthdays**

Tyler Ten Pass 4
Mikayla Zonnefeld 6
Dorothy Schouten 7

## **March Anniversaries**

Paul & Delores Vande Kolk 2 Ken & Elaine Homan 6

## 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.
- Helene Navis' sister, Sharon Harmsen, as she has been diagnosed with myeloma, a blood 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

Dear friends and family: We would like to thank you all for the prayers, thoughts and support for our family during Juniper's hospital stay. We may never know the full extent of the help we have received, but we know God

has graciously answered prayers. Juniper is home and is recovering well. Prayers are appreciated still for her lengthy and unknown recovery. She has follow-up cardiology appointments scheduled to monitor any lasting effects. Please understand our distance, as Juniper is restricted from outside germs....as well as our other children. Certain viruses are fatal at this time. Sincere thanks to all. James 5:16 says, "The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective." Thanks be to God. With love, Caleb and Sheila Winkel.

# **Church News**

The **Sunday School kids** are raising money to make hygiene care packages for OH4F in Haiti. Our goal is to raise \$200 by April 1. You won't want to miss what happens to Mr. O'Donovan if our goal is reached! If you want to donate toward this cause, please put your donation in an envelope labeled "Sunday School" and put in the offering or give to Brian O. Thanks!

**Care groups 2 and 4** are serving a meal at the community table on Friday, March 13. Please consider how you can help. Information and sign-up sheets are downstairs. Thank you, Merle and Gary.

**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.

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.

**YOUTH GROUP SPAGHETTI SUPPER:** Looking for an excuse not to cook? Well, your high schoolers have you covered! Mark your calendars as

the Youth Groups of Bethel and 1st CRC will be having a spaghetti supper at First CRC on Wednesday, March 4, from 5:00 to 7:30 PM. This will be a free-will donation supper that will go towards our summer trip. We look forward to serving you and your family! Thanks again for your support of our youth! **Thank you!** Your generosity and kindness are truly gifts from God.

MARK YOUR CALENDERS!! The Annual Fun Night / Baked Goods Auction for the First/Bethel Youth Group will be Saturday, April 18!!! Details to follow and all proceeds will be to our mission trip to North Carolina!

## **Community News**

In the midst of cold weather and snowstorms, the 3K–5th grade students of CWC are busy preparing their annual spring musical. This year we will be performing "It's Cool in the Furnace" by Buryl Red. We hope you will be able to join us on Thursday March 12, 2020. There will be two performances: the first one at 9:00 AM. Our evening performance begins at 6:30. Both performances will be held in Crusader Centre. A free-will offering will be taken at both performances.

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.

Trinity Church's annual Pork Chop Supper Fundraiser will be Saturday, March 7, 4:30-7:00 PM, at the church (524 Carrington St). Proceeds support the mission trip to Christ Outreach for the Blind in Mt. Vernon, KY. Meal includes pork chop, baked potato, corn, applesauce, roll and dessert. Takeout is available. Tickets are \$10. Contact the church office at 324-2400 or Jim Nummerdor at 920-579-8573 for tickets.

# 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
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.
	5:00 PM	Youth Group Spaghetti Supper
	6:30 PM	GEMS Club Night @ Bethel CRC
	6:30 PM	Cadets @ The Union
Thursday	6:45 PM	Christian Fellowship

**Sunday:** 8:45 AM Prayer Meeting in church basement

9:30 AM AM Worship Service6:00 PM PM Worship Service

**Next Week** 

Accompanist Nursery
Cara Schmitt Emily Mulder
Michelle Mulder

Children & Worship
Leader: Emily Mulder
Megan Greenfield

Offering: Budget Envelopes

**Elder/Deacon Greeters** 

Merle Schouten Sound System
Joe Bresser Pete Vander Werff

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Fellowship Coffee Ushers
Michael & Danielle Jansma Ray Hofman
Al Holden

**Greeters** Will Bronkhorst
Keith & Sue Buwalda Thomas Venhuizen

**Video Projection** Katie DeJager

March Cause: Faith Promise

Group	<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)



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# THIS WEEK'S CREATION MOMENT



# **Designed to Renew**

But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night; in the which the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth also and the works that are

therein shall be burned up. (2 Peter 3:10)

We live in a world—indeed, a universe—that is in continual change. Things have been designed that way for a very important reason. Unfortunately, some people choose to define evolution as simply change. However, that's not the kind of continuous change that surrounds us.

The change we see around us serves to keep things the same. Biologists call this "stasis." That might sound contradictory, but think about it for a moment. A baby is born—that's change. The baby grows into a child and then a young adult. That's more change. In the end, though, a new generation is born to replace the last generation, and things are as they were. It's the cycle of life, common to all living things.

What's more, the interrelated life cycles of all living things complement each other. Plants use sunlight and carbon dioxide to make oxygen and food, which are needed by the animal kingdom and human beings. Each generation of living things reproduces after its own kind, helping to keep this balance in tune.

The change we see all around us was designed by the Creator to renew the creation so that it might remain stable—the same. We can truly say that the more things change, the more they stay the same. However, this state of affairs will not go on forever. One day—and perhaps soon—the world will end. The Son of God, Who was the instrument of our creation and the instrument of our salvation, will return. Are you ready to meet Him?

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