

First Christian Reformed Church



All announcements due in the office by 12:00 noon Thursday
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Our Family

April Anniversary: Harold & Carol Greenfield 11

April Birthdays

Pete Montsma	5	Tabbie Vander Werff	8
Jaxon Buteyn	5	Miranda Vander Berg	8
Brian Bresser	6	Pat Loomans	10
Tirzah Ritzema	7	Rose Homan	11

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.
- Helene Navis' sister, Sharon Harmsen, as she has been diagnosed with myeloma, a blood cancer.
- Trayton Greenfield, as he had surgery this past Wednesday due to inflammation in his small intestine. We praise God that surgery was successful. The doctors did want to keep an eye on him so he spent a few days in the hospital. **Note:** There are no concerns of 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

Thank you for your prayers, cards, food and visits, following my surgery. It is greatly appreciated. Thank you to Pastor Harv for calls and visits, and Kevin Buwalda for the calls.
 - Allegra Bossenbroek

Church News

We have been able to convert the video of the Sunday services to an audio file and CD. If you would like to receive a CD of the services during this time of social distancing, please leave a message on the church phone or contact Allegra.

Also, if you currently don't have internet in your home and have an opportunity to gain that access, please check out our website (www.waupuncrc.com) for the services AND twice weekly devotionals from Pastor Harv.

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 Steve Homan.

<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

Bamboozling Bugs



The fear of the LORD [is] the beginning of wisdom: a good understanding have all they that do [his commandments]: his praise endureth for ever. (Psalm 111:10)

For centuries, Asian cooks have wrapped meat, sushi and candy in bamboo bark. Though the reason for this practice seems to have been forgotten, humans evidently once knew what modern science is rediscovering about bamboo.

Chemists have succeeded in extracting the natural chemicals in bamboo bark. What they found was not one or two but four natural chemicals in the bark that inhibit bacteria, especially staph germs. These natural antibacterial agents are under study for possible use as natural food and cosmetic preservatives. If these natural chemicals can be shown to kill bacteria and yet be harmless to people, the door will be open for an entirely new class of natural food preservatives.

The question naturally arises about how Asians originally came to use bamboo in the kitchen. Is it possible that thousands of years ago, when ancestors of today's Asians headed east from the Tower of Babel, humans knew that bamboo would help keep their food from spoiling?

Much of what we are learning today was already known to a humanity that was only a few generations removed from our first and once-perfect parents. Remember that the perfection with which humanity was created was more than moral perfection. Because Adam and Eve had a perfect knowledge of God, they also had a perfect understanding of all that He had made. While we cannot be perfect except through the forgiveness of sins in Jesus Christ, it is also true that the fear of the Lord is the beginning of all wisdom.

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