

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 bag during the service 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 (920-324-2898) or email the church office (waupuncrc@gmail.com). 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: waupuncrc@gmail.com 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: "Holy is the Lord"

Song of Confession: "Remember Not, O God" G254

Words of Assurance

Here are words you may trust, words that merit full acceptance: Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. To all who confess their sins and resolve to lead a new life, He says, "Your sins are forgiven." He also says, "Follow me." Now to the one who rules all worlds, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever.

Song of Worship: "Blessed Be the Name"

God's Will for Our Lives (Philippians 4:4-9)

Congregational Prayer

Offering: Local Budget and the Gideons

Children ages 3-6 are invited to Children's Worship at this time *Scripture: 2 Peter 2

Message: "Our Precious Faith #6: Depraved But Saved"

Prayer

*Song of Worship: "How Vast the Benefits Divine" G497

*Benediction

*Doxology: "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise" G460:1

*Postlude

Taking part in worship today:

- Worship Leader and Sermon: Pastor Greg Schuringa
- Accompanist: Marlyce Mulder
- Vocalists: Rachel Hoffman, Michelle Mulder, Cara Schmitt
- Media Team: Tyler Ten Pass, Ryer Greenfield, Scott Ritzema
- Coffee: Gregg & Kristi Zonnefeld
- Children's Worship: Arent Venhuizen, Jenna Schouten

- Nursery: Emily Mulder, Kaytlin Ruis, Cassidy Ritzema
- Ushers: Neil Venhuizen, Brad Schouten

Missionary Letters

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L Wierenga 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 place your donation in the offering bags passed by the deacons during the service. All loose cash offerings will go to the month's special offering (Gideons for October), while any loose and undesignated checks will go to the local budget. Budget envelopes will go to the designated funds. On-line giving is also available, just go to our website and click on "Give" at the top of the page. Please talk to a deacon if you want more information about giving to First CRC.

Our Family

As you pray this week, please remember the following:

- Harold Greenfield, Kathy Kamphuis, Larry Pluim, and Laura Ten Pass, all dealing with cancer.
- Brenda Merhalski, in hospice care.

We would like to thank the congregation for their prayers, cards and condolences in the passing of Louie's brother, Jim. Also thanks to Pastor Greg for his visit. It was all appreciated. Louie & Nancy

Church News

Upcoming Dates

- October 23, 9:30 AM: 2 Peter sermon series continues, remembering the persecuted church in worship
- October 30, 9:30 AM: 5th Sunday, Dan Dykstra, Guest Pastor
- October 30, 3 6 PM: "Imprisoned for Christ," Voice of the Martyrs virtual event to remember the persecuted church
- November 6, 9:30 AM: Gregg Zonnefeld, preaching, Pastor Greg taking Study Week #1
- November 13, 9:30 AM: Ruth sermon series begins
- November 20, 9:30 AM: Ruth series continues
- November 23, 6:30 PM: Thanksgiving Eve worship service

We are still in need of adults to help with the **SWaT middle school youth** group. SWaT only meets the 2nd Wednesday of each month. **Please** consider helping with this important ministry.

Christmas is fast approaching. We have a Christmas program leader, but she is in need of helpers. Please talk to Sunday School Director Brian O'Donovan or Nikki Durni if you are willing to help or have any questions.

Fall College Care Packages Update. First CRC gave \$1,190 toward care packages to our 15 students who are in college this semester. This gives us \$80 per student, for postage, gift cards, a book (*The Secular Creed: Engaging Five Contemporary Claims*, by Rebecca McLaughlin), and

anything else Life Group members may feel led to include. Our Life Group members will include a personalized note to each student that indicates the package is from the congregation. Our college students will know their church cares for them!

It is time to start thinking about **Operation Christmas Child!** This is a way to bring the Gospel to the ends of the earth. The children receive a box with fun toys, hygiene items, and school supplies. Every shoebox gift is delivered in Jesus' Name to give a child in need a glimpse of God's love. Our life group will be collecting items, filled shoeboxes, and money until **Sunday, November 13.** We will have boxes available if you want to take one or more and pack and bring back. Please talk to Bonnie Vander Berg if you have any questions!

Amazon Shoppers: We have an Amazon Smile account for the church. This means that when you choose us as your charity Amazon donates 0.5% of the price of eligible smile.amazon.com purchases to First CRC!

Parents with recent high school grads, post-high/college students, and young adult children in their 20s, we would really appreciate it if you would get their contact information to us: mailing address, cell number and email address. We are working on building a new young adult ministry and would like to reach out to them, enfold them, and encourage them in their faith. Please email Jen Vlietstra at cjvliet@charter.net with this information.

Our church is hosting a Voice of the Martyrs virtual event called "Imprisoned for Christ" on Sunday, October 30 from 3 – 6 PM. We will hear from three inspiring speakers from different restricted nations dominated by Islam, each was arrested, interrogated, and imprisoned. While all three struggled to find God's purpose in their suffering, they ultimately recognized His faithfulness and love amid desperate circumstances. In addition to their firsthand testimonies, you will enjoy an engaging panel discussion moderated by VOM Radio host Todd Nettleton as well as inspiring worship music from Dove Award–winning artist Natalie Grant. Refreshments will be provided. Please mark your calendars today and plan to join us at our church on October 30. If you have any questions, contact Mike Vander Berg.

The **Bethel/First SWaT middle school youth group** will be raising money over the next month to buy Christmas gifts and birthday gifts for local underserved kids within our community. If you have an odd job that you'd like their help with (cleaning windows, raking leaves, cleaning in the garage, baking for you), please reach out to the parents of a 6th, 7th or 8th grade student or Jen Vlietstra at cjvliet@charter.net or text me 507-227-1859. Our goal is for each middle school student to raise \$20 by our next meeting on November 9.

Maranda & Vasya Heytsi, the congregation at New Life Church and refugees would love to thank you for your continued prayers and support. Please continue to pray for God's hand of protection over them and their church as they seek to glorify God and build His kingdom in war torn Ukraine.

Community News

Join us Monday, October 17, at 6:30 PM as the Middle School students from Central Wisconsin Christian and Randolph Christian School perform their musical numbers. The concert this year is at CWC in the Crusader Center.

The CWC High School band and Choirs will host their first concert of the year on Tuesday, October 25. The concert will begin at 6:30 PM. Please join us as we use our God given talents to worship His Holy name.

Central Wisconsin Christian's annual Servathon is guickly approaching! On Friday, October 28, from 8 to noon, CWC's high schoolers will break out into groups to serve families and businesses throughout Waupun and all of our neighboring communities and towns. Is there something that we can do to help you? Do you know of someone that would be blessed by us helping them? If yes, please reach out to CWC's High School Office at 920-324-4233, ext. 310 or send an email to serve@wearecwc.org. Please be sure we have your request by Friday, October 21, so we can ensure it is included in our scheduling. We are excited to serve within our communities! This will be a great day!

EMANUEL LUTHERAN'S CHILI FESTIVAL DRIVE-THRU EVENT: Sunday, October 30, 2022, 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM, 107 S. Prairie St,. Brandon, WI. Buy Our Famous Chili By The Quart - Includes Two Dessert Servings - For Just \$7. Convenient drive in and drive out. Happy Fall Y'all!!!

Volunteer Opportunities with SSM Health: Looking for a way to help others in the local Waupun community? Waupun Memorial Hospital and surrounding locations are currently seeking caring volunteers to make a difference in the lives of others. Available roles include: delivering mobile meals, Waupun Dialysis Center, Hospital gite shop and information desk, Waupun Area Hospice Care. Reach out to SSM Volunteer Services by calling 920-926-4955 or apply online using this QR code.



Pella Lutheran Church of Waupun is hosting **The Garms Family for "A Night of Encouragement" live concert** on Friday, November 11, at 6:30 PM. You can learn more about The Garms Family at their website https://thegarmsfamily.com/

11th Annual Beautiful Response Chili Supper on Tuesday, November 8, from 4:30-7:00 PM at Bethel CRC. This year we are returning to an inperson event! You can once again enjoy amazing chili and fellowship when you come out and support Beautiful Response in its work to provide the life-changing gifts of education, food, shelter, and medical care to vulnerable and orphaned kids at Raising Up Hope for Uganda (RUHU). Thank you for making this event such a great success over the past 10 years! This chili supper is sponsored by the CWC Boys' Soccer program, and all funds raised go directly to support the great work being done by RUHU. THANK YOU for your support!

SMALL TOWN CHRISTMAS CRAFT & BAKE SALE: Mark your calendars for Friday, November 4, 4:00–7:00 PM & Saturday, November 5, 8:00 AM – 2:00 PM at Emanuel Lutheran Church, 107 S. Prairie Street, Brandon, WI 53919. Reserve a booth for \$20 by calling Charleen Strook at 920-346-8226. Lunch will be served on Saturday, Nov. 5, 2022.

<u>Calendar</u>

Today:	9:30 AM	Worship Service
	10:45 AM	Sunday School and Catechism
Wednesday:	9:00 AM	Coffee Break at Bethel CRC
	1:00 PM	Women's Bible Study in the Upper Room (7.8)
	6:30 PM	Women's Bible Study in the Upper Room
Sunday:	8:30 AM	11 th and 12 th Grade Catechism
	9:30 AM	Worship Service

<u>Next Week</u> Accompanist Cara Schmitt

Children's Worship Emily Mulder, Tirzah Ritzema

Coffee Kim Greenfield

Nursery Becca Vree, Emily Aalsma, Olivia Vander Werff Livestream Randall Greenfield

PPT Carter Slings

Sound System Scott Ritzema

Ushers Brian O'Donovan, Ryer Greenfield

<u>Group</u>	Elder	Deacon
1	Keith Buwalda (2025)	Todd Schouten (2024)
2	Denny Vande Berg (2023)	Tyler Jansen (2025)
3	Bob Mulder (2025)	Todd Schouten (2024)
4	George Aalsma (2024)	Mitch Vree (2025)
5	Dan Scheuers (2025)	Tyler Jansen (2025)
6	Steve Smits (2023)	Noah Mulder (2023)
7	Ben Homan (2023)	Pete Vander Werff (2023)
8	Ray Hofman (2024)	Tyler Ten Pass (2024)

Holy Is The Lord

Verse: We stand and lift up our hands - For the joy of the Lord is our strength We bow down and worship Him now - How great how awesome is He

Pre-Chorus: And together we sing - Let ev'ryone sing

Chorus: Holy is the Lord God Almighty - The earth is filled with His glory Holy is the Lord God Almighty - The earth is filled with His glory The earth is filled with His glory

Bridge: It is rising up all around - It's the anthem of the Lord's renown It's rising up all around - It's the anthem of the Lord's renown

Ending: Holy, Holy, is the Lord Almighty. Holy, Holy.

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Blessed Be The Name

Verse 1: I am standing beneath Your wings - I am resting in Your shelter Your great faithfulness has been my shield - And it makes me want to sing

Chorus: Blessed be the name of the Lord - Blessed be the name of the Lord I will bless Your holy name for all my days - Blessed be the name of the Lord

Verse 2: I sing praises to Your name oh Lord - For You daily bear my burdens - Your great faithfulness is my reward - And it makes me want to sing CCLI Song # 1827078 - Andy Park © 1995 Mercy / Vineyard Publishing (Admin. by Integrity Music) For use solely with the SongSelect® Terms of Use. All rights reserved. www.ccli.com CCLI License # 1865451

Sermon Notes

Honor God Serve Others Transform Lives

