

First Christian Reformed Church



We welcome our guests and hope that you will be blessed by worshipping 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

*Songs of Worship: "Great Things" "Graves Into Gardens"
"Who You Say I Am"

Congregational Prayer

Offering: Local Budget and the Gideons

Youth For Christ will share about Camp

Children ages 3-6 are invited to Children's Worship at this time

*Scripture: 2 Peter 1:12-21

Message: "Our Precious Faith #5: Bible Memory"

Prayer

*Song of Worship: "Because He Lives" (R358)

ATTABOY Ministry Sharing

*Benediction and Dismissal

Taking part in worship today:

- Worship Leader and Sermon:
Pastor Greg Schuringa
- Worship Team: ATTABOY, Youth
For Christ
- Media Team: Joe Bresser, Beth
Schlieve, Rachel Hoffman
- Coffee: Mike and Bonnie Vander
Berg
- Children's Worship: Pat Jonker,
Olivia Vander Werff

- Nursery: Mackenzie Mulder, Aubryn
DeJager, Morgan Buwalda
- Ushers: Tom Jonker, Cody Van
Herwaarden

Missionary Letters

K Venhuizen to Neen*
T Venhuizen 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 Harold Greenfield, Kathy Kamphuis, Brenda Merhalski, Larry Pluim, and Laura Ten Pass, all dealing with cancer.

Church News

We welcome ATTABOY, the official worship team for Youth for Christ to lead us in singing and share about their ministry. Also, in worship Scott Ritzema and others will share their experience going to YCF camp last summer.

There is **no Sunday School or Catechism today**. Please join us for cake in the basement for Pastor Appreciation.

After the service today, there will be a meeting in the sanctuary for all members who are **working with or teaching our young people** (Sunday School, catechism, GEMS, SWaT, etc) to sign the Code of Ethics.

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.

Women's Wednesday afternoon Bible study group meets October 19. Prepare lessons 7-8.

Fall College Care Packages: Pastor Greg and Sarah's Life Group invite the congregation to contribute toward care packages for First CRC's 16 college students. We're talking to parents to make these packages individualized to each student. We are asking for monetary gifts so that based on the information we gather, our Life Group can use the money to purchase gift cards to places that each student likes and that are near where they live. We also hope to include a devotional for each student and perhaps some other items. Thank you for considering participating in this way to show our church's care to our college students! Please place any contributions in the Schuringa mailbox at church by Sunday, October 9.

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!

The **middle school SWaT youth group meets this week Wednesday**, October 12, at Bethel from 6:00-8:00 (note time change) and will be serving our community by doing a Food Pantry Scavenger Hunt! We need a handful of parent volunteers to assist us by driving a van load of kids. Please send along heavy duty boxes and grocery bags for carrying and loading items. All nonperishable items are currently needed. If you'd like to assist in being a driver Wednesday night or donating snacks for the kids, please check out the SignUp Genius link at: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080b45afad28a1f49-swat> or see the SWaT youth group Facebook page. We covet your continued prayers for our kids and this ministry.

Parents with recent post high school, college student, 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.

The high school youth group will be meeting this week Wednesday, October 12, for a chill & chat night of fellowship at First CRC from 6:30-8:30. If you would like to assist in donating snacks for the students, please check out the SignUp Genius link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080b45afad28a1f49-bethelfirst>. You can also find a link on the youth group Facebook page.

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.

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.

Community News

The next **ONE Waupun Connections Breakfast** will take place next Saturday, October 15, at 7:30 AM. If you have not come in the past, please consider joining us. It is a great opportunity for men to come together for some great fellowship and food.

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 quickly 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!

Calendar

Today:	9:30 AM	Worship Service
Wednesday:	7:50 AM	CWC Testing - Basement
	9:00 AM	Coffee Break at Bethel CRC
	6:00 PM	SWaT @ Bethel CRC
	6:30 PM	Youth Group at First CRC
	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

Next Week

Accompanist

Cara Schmitt

Livestream

Scott Ritzema

Children's Worship

Arent Venhuizen, Jenna Schouten

PPT

Ryer Greenfield

Coffee

Gregg & Kristi Zonnefeld

Sound System

Tyler Ten Pass

Nursery

Emily Mulder, Kaitlyn Ruis, Cassidy
Ritzema

Ushers

Neil Venhuizen, Brad Schouten

Great Things

Verse 1: Come let us worship our King - Come let us bow at His feet
He has done great things - See what our Savior has done
See how His love overcomes - He has done great things
He has done great things

Chorus: O Hero of Heaven You conquered the grave - You free every
captive and break every chain - O God You have done great things - We
dance in Your freedom awake and alive - O Jesus our Savior Your name
lifted high - O God You have done great things

Verse 2: You've been faithful through every storm - You'll be faithful
forevermore - You have done great things - And I know You will do it again
For Your promise is yes and amen - You will do great things
God You do great things

Bridge: Hallelujah God above it all - Hallelujah God unshakable
Hallelujah You have done great things
(REPEAT) - You've done great things

Ending: You have done great things - O God You do great things

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Graves Into Gardens

Verse 1: I searched the world but it couldn't fill me - Man's empty praise and treasures that fade - Are never enough - Then You came along and put me back together - And every desire is now satisfied here in Your love

Chorus: Oh there's nothing better than You - There's nothing better than You
Lord there's nothing - Nothing is better than You

Verse 2: I'm not afraid to show You my weakness - My failures and flaws
Lord You've seen them all - And You still call me friend - 'Cause the God of the mountain - Is the God of the valley - And there's not a place
Your mercy and grace won't find me again

Bridge: You turn mourning to dancing - You give beauty for ashes
You turn shame into glory - You're the only one who can

Bridge: You turn graves into gardens - You turn bones into armies
You turn seas into highways - You're the only one who can

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Who You Say I Am

Verse 1: Who am I that the highest King - Would welcome me
I was lost but He brought me in - Oh His love for me - Oh His love for me

Chorus 1: Who the Son sets free - Oh is free indeed
I'm a child of God - Yes I am

Verse 2: Free at last - He has ransomed me
His grace runs deep - While I was a slave to sin
Jesus died for me - Yes He died for me

Chorus 2: In my Father's house - There's a place for me
I'm a child of God - Yes I am

Bridge: I am chosen not forsaken - I am who You say I am
You are for me not against me - I am who You say I am

Tag: (Oh) (Yes) I am who You say I am

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<u>Group</u>	<u>Elder</u>	<u>Deacon</u>
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)

Sermon Notes

Honor God
Serve Others
Transform Lives

