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 basket on the table on the way out, 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 Are You Lord" "By Faith"

Preparation for Communion Next Week

Confession of Our Sin

Song of Assurance: "Not What My Hands Have Done" G260

God's Will for Our Lives

Congregational Prayer

Children ages 3-6 are dismissed for Children's Worship

*Scripture: 2 Peter 1:5-7

Message: "Our Precious Faith #3: Growing Faith, Balanced Faith"

Prayer

*Song of Response: "Take My Life and Let It Be" G288:1, 3, 5, 6

*Benediction

*Closing Song: "We Receive Your Blessing"

*Postlude

Taking part in worship today:

- Worship Leader and Sermon: Pastor Greg Schuringa
- Accompanist: Laura Ten Pass
- Vocalists: Hollie Ganz, Cara Schmitt, Pete Vander Werff, Renae Venhuizen
- Media Team: Scott Ritzema, Lois Mulder, Jake Vander Werff
- Coffee: Al and LeAnne Holden
- Children's Worship: Stacy Schaver, Avery Slings

- Nursery: Phylicia Coda, Jessica Ten Pass, Kolten Buwalda
- Ushers: Owen Mulder, Ryer Greenfield

Missionary Letters

A Venhuizen to Neen*
D 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 leave your donation in the basket on the table in the narthex. All loose cash offerings will go to the month's special offering (Randolph Christian School for September; 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.

Council Notes

- Classis meets this week in Delavan. Delegates are Pastor Schuringa, Elder Dan Scheuers, and Deacon Noah Mulder.
- Council will be sending out a non-binding survey both electronically and via paper in your mailboxes regarding the future of the organ.
- Deacons will start passing the offering plate next week.
- The Mentorship Team is looking for six males and two females to be mentors. Please talk to Gladys Montsma if you are willing to help mentor our young people.
- The Education Committee consists of Dan Scheuers (chairman), Andrea Buwalda, Pete Vander Werff, Rachel Hoffman, and Brian O'Donovan.
- Marlyce Mulder was added to the Worship Committee.
- Reminder to all members that October is Pastor Appreciation Month and you are encouraged to show your appreciation for Pastor Greg and Sarah.

Our Family

As you pray this week, please remember the following:

- Harold Greenfield, Kathy Kamphuis, Brenda Merhalski, Larry Pluim, and Laura Ten Pass, all dealing with cancer.
- Al Holden, healing from cellulitis on his leg.

WE'VE MOVED! New address for Leanne Johnson: 450 E Franklin St, #B1 E Jefferson St, Waupun WI 53963.

Thank You: We would like to thank everyone for their prayers, cards, visits and food that was brought in while I was in the hospital and while recuperating at home. Also, special thanks to our life group for their support and meal. A special thank-you to Pastor Schuringa and Denny Vande Berg for their visits and calls.

- Percy & Jan

October Birthdays

Tyler Jansen	6	Ellie Vree	12
Trayton Greenfield	7	Percy De Vries	13
Sarah Schuringa	7	Mackenzie Mulder	14
Jaycee Mulder	11	Bob Mulder	17
Olivia Vree	12	Delores Vande Kolk	18

18	Luke Jonker	28
22	Gary DeJager	29
22	Kevin Buwalda	30
22	Jan Scheuers	30
24	Kathy Kamphuis	30
25	Nancy Wierenga	31
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October Anniversaries

Joe & Karen Durant	3	Marty & Margaret Miedema	12
Randall & Kim Greenfield	4	Dave & Lori Venhuizen	24
Bruce & Hollie Ganz	12		

Communion next Sunday. If you watch First CRC services online and are not able to be in worship next Sunday for Communion due to being shut-in or in poor health, you can reach out to your care group elder to bring you the elements ahead of time to participate in Communion with the congregation remotely.

Church News

Women's Afternoon Bible Study: Next study is October 5. Prepare to discuss lessons 5 and 6.

High school youth group meets this week Wednesday, September 28, at Bethel from 6:30-8:30. We plan on outdoor activities if the weather permits so, please dress accordingly.

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

Please prayerfully consider giving of your time and gifts to serve God in the children's and youth ministries this coming school year. We are so thankful that someone stepped up to teach 6-8 graders and all the other grades so we can start Sunday School and Catechism. However, we are still in need of two adults to serve the SWaT middle school youth group. SWaT only meets the 2nd Wednesday of each month. If you feel a nudge by the Holy Spirit, please reach out to Dan Scheuers or anyone on the church education committee. We can't do it without you.

Fall College Care Packages: Pastor Greg and Sarah's Life Group invite the congregation to contribute toward care packages for First CRC's 13 or so

college students who live away as well as toward something for our several college students who live at home. We plan to talk to parents and 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.

The post high young adult group of Bethel CRC/First CRC meets TONIGHT, at 6:30 PM at Bethel CRC. We will continue our study on 1 Corinthians and will be focusing on 1 Corinthians 2:1-3:23. Please see Brenna Groenewold (Bethel CRC) or Arent Venhuizen (First CRC) for study guide materials or to get into the loop of our communications about meetings and fellowship nights. Please feel free to come to the meeting even if you don't get the materials beforehand. We would love anyone in their 20s to join us and we are looking forward to continuing to build a community where we can meet and talk about faith together.

GEMS Girls Club is for any girl in 3rd-8th grade and starts Wed., October 5, from 6:30-8:00 PM at Bethel CRC!! We have a fun year planned and are really looking forward to seeing the girls and getting back into the GEMS season! Invite friends, teammates, neighbors and cousins! The cost is a freewill donation of \$30 per family, if you are able to give. T-shirts will be available for purchase while they last for \$20. We can't wait to see you all again! Please email Annie Syens with any questions at anniesyens@yahoo.com.

Community News

Due to lack of volunteers and after much discussion and with great sadness, the 30-year tradition of **Pella's Thanksgiving Dinner** has come to an end. We thank the many, many volunteers and donors who have made these meals a special part of our community over the past 30 years. If someone would like to take on this project in the years to come, Jan Harmsen and Sandy Armga are willing to mentor. Call the church office if you are interested.

Please Save The Date - Sunday October 2, 2022, from 2-3 PM. That is the day and time of the **Annual Life Chain** sponsored by the Fond du Lac Chapter of Wisconsin Right To Life. More details will be coming soon.

Calendar

Today: 9:30 AM Worship Service

10:45 AM Sunday School and Catechism

6:30 PM Youth Adults at Bethel CRC

Wednesday: 9:00 AM Coffee Break at Bethel CRC

6:30 PM Women's Bible Study in the Upper Room 6:30 PM High School Youth Group at Bethel CRC

Sunday: 8:30 AM 11th and 12th Grade Catechism

9:30 AM Worship Service

Next Week

Accompanist
Brenda Hofman

Children's Worship

Sarah Schuringa, Cassidy Ritzema

Coffee

Steve & Heidi Smits

Nursery

Lynnae Franken, Casey Homan, Tirzah Ritzema Livestream

Mike Vander Berg

PPT

Cody Van Herwaarden

Sound System

Pete Vander Werff

Ushers

Ben Mulder, Gene Hofman

Fond du Lac County Right to Life

Life Chain Sunday

STAND WITH US FOR ONE HOUR OF SILENT PRAYER FOR THE UNBORN AND VULNERABLE

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2ND 2-3 PM

CORNER OF W JOHNSON AND PETERS AVE FOND DU LAC, WI



Honor God Serve Others Transform Lives



Great Are You Lord

Verse: You give life You are love - You bring light to the darkness You give hope You restore ev'ry heart that is broken - And great are You Lord

Chorus: It's Your breath in our lungs - So we pour out our praise We pour out our praise - It's Your breath in our lungs So we pour out our praise to You only

Bridge: And all the earth will shout Your praise

Our hearts will cry these bones will sing - Great are You Lord - (REPEAT)

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By Faith

Verse 1: By faith we see the hand of God - In the light of creation's grand design - In the lives of those who prove His faithfulness Who walk by faith and not by sight

Verse 2: By faith our fathers roamed the earth - With the pow'r of His promise in their hearts - Of a holy city built by God's own hand A place where peace and justice reign

Chorus: We will stand as children of the promise - We will fix our eyes on Him our soul's reward - Till the race is finished and the work is done We'll walk by faith and not by sight

Verse 3: By faith the prophets saw a day - When the longed-for Messiah would appear - With the pow'r to break the chains of sin and death And rise triumphant from the grave

Verse 4: By faith the church was called to go - In the pow'r of the Spirit to the lost - To deliver captives and to preach good news - In ev'ry corner of the earth

Verse 5: By faith the mountain shall be moved - And the pow'r of the gospel shall prevail - For we know in Christ all things are possible For all who call upon His name

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We Receive Your Blessing

Verse: We receive Your blessing - We receive Your grace

As we walk in the light - Shining from Your face - May the peace that You give Change the way that we live - We receive Your blessing - As we leave this place

Chorus: Praise God from whom all blessings flow - Praise Him all creatures here below - Praise Him above you heavenly hosts
Praise Father Son and praise the Holy Ghost

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Sermon Notes