

4/24/2022

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 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 & God's Greeting

*Opening Songs of Worship: "See What a Morning"

"King of Kings" "Cornerstone"

Congregational Prayer

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

*Scripture: John 20:24-31

Message: "Remembering the Resurrection"

*Song of Worship: "How Firm a Foundation" G500:1, 2, 3, 5

*Benediction

*Doxology: "Salvation Belongs to Our God"

*Postlude

Taking part in worship today:

- Worship Leader and Sermon:
Pastor Rev. Roger Sparks
- Accompanist: Cara Schmitt
- Worship Leader: Gregg Zonnefeld
- Vocals: Kevin Buwalda, Heidi Smits, Kristi Zonnefeld
- Media Team: Joe Bresser, Avery Slings, Rachel Hoffman
- Coffee: Al & LeAnne Holden

- Children's Worship: Becca Vree, Cassidy Ritzema
- Nursery: Phylcia Coda, Jessica Ten Pass, Morgan Buwalda
- Ushers: Bob Mulder, Tom Jonker

Missionary Letters

Deb Mulder to Neen*
Jon Mulder 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 (Elim Christian School for April; Luke Society for May), 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, Larry Pluim, and Laura Ten Pass, all dealing with cancer.
- Brenda Merhalski, recent scan, no sign of cancer.
- Sam and Sylvia Vander Galien in the loss of their sister-in-law, Karen, married to Sam's brother, Dean, who passed away on Thursday after battling cancer the past couple of years.

Church News

Pastor Greg Schuringa is on a pulpit exchange this morning. He will be preaching at Bethel CRC and Bethel's pastor **Rev. Roger Sparks** will be preaching here at First CRC. Welcome to Pastor Sparks!

The Waupun Food Pantry is in need of toothpaste, shampoo, and conditioner. Place your donations in the tote by the mailboxes until May 15.

Youth Ministry Opportunities: We are still looking for a couple of adults to help with SWAT, the middle school group that meets once a month at Bethel, and the high school youth group. If anyone is interested, please contact Joe Durant.

Prayer & Praise Service at First CRC tonight at 6 PM. This will be a time of prayer led by members of our church. We'll also be having a hymn sing. We have invited area congregations and you are invited not only to come but to invite others as well.

Newer Attender and Member Luncheon on May 15 after worship. If you are new to First CRC in the past couple of years or so, you are welcome to join us in the church basement for a luncheon, served by one of our church's Life Groups. You'll be able to connect with others who are newer and have opportunity to learn more about First CRC.

Council Training by Rev. Sam Hamstra on Saturday, July 9, 8 AM – noon. All current and incoming Council members are asked to save the date to attend. The next day, Sunday, July 10, we are planning on our new elder/deacon installation in worship. **Also, anyone else in the church who has served on Council or who wants to learn more about the role of Council and Council members in the church is welcome to attend!**

ANNUAL YOUTH GROUP FUN NIGHT IS BACK! Please mark your calendars for a night of food, fun, and fellowship on **Saturday, May 14**, at CWC! Starting at 4:30, a free-will donation supper will be available along

with a volleyball tournament that has been a hit in the past! Please let Bryant Greenfield, Logan Ganz, Lydia Greenfield, Jacob Smith, Tyler Ten Pass, or Noah Mulder know if you would like to put a team together. We are also asking for donations of baked goods, which will go towards our auction, starting hopefully at 6 PM. All donations and baked goods proceeds will go towards our summer mission trip we are currently planning.

- Thank you! – FIRST CRC AND BETHEL CRC YOUTH GROUPS

Community News

Grandparents' Day - April 29, 2022: Grandparents, please join us for a fun day starting with classroom visits from 8-10:45 AM, with fellowship and luncheon following. Reservations are required. Please RSVP here: <https://bit.ly/GPDAY22> or call 920.324.4233. Please note that 3K will hold their grandparent day on Thursday, April 28.

CWC Girls Soccer and Boys Baseball programs will be hosting their 1st annual respite event! We are all very excited to be able to host this great event! This is an event for anyone in Waupun and the surrounding communities. A respite event is for children with disabilities and their siblings. It is an opportunity to give parents some rest, time to go out on a date, or just spend some time together while their children are taken care of by the girls soccer and boys baseball programs (and coaches). There will be tons and tons of activities for the kids to do during this time. Many of them are listed on the flyer. There will also be a supper provided. There is no charge to attend. The hours of this event are from 4 PM-9 PM on May 7. The event will take place at Central Wisconsin Christian in Waupun. Pre-Registration is required. There will be no walk-ins. If you have any questions, please email Coach Stuebs at pstuebs@wearecwc.org."

The CWC music department has upcoming performances that we would like to invite you to. The middle school students will be presenting their Lite concert on Wednesday, May 4. The 5th grade band will make their debut. The choir and band will also perform. Following this the students will perform their various solos and ensembles that they are preparing for the upcoming Music Festival. This concert will begin at 4 PM in Crusader Centre.

The **CWC Honors Recital** will be held Thursday, May 5, at 1st CRC in Waupun. We will begin at 6:30 PM. This recital features those high school students who performed at the state solo and ensemble competition.

As part of the State Welsh Weekend in Fond du Lac, all are invited to experience the wonderful **Welsh/English Hymn Sing today, at 2:30 PM at**

the Cathedral Church of St. Paul in Fond du Lac. This Gymanfa Ganu will be directed by Rev Tom White of North Fond du lac with Steve Jensen of Milwaukee at the pipe organ. Special numbers will be performed by area musicians. The hymns will be sung in traditional Welsh four-part harmony sung in mostly English. It will be followed by a properly prepared Te Bach: tea and refreshments. The Welsh Gymanfa Ganu Association of Wisconsin, Inc. wggaw.org

Looking for an adventure this summer? Anyone wanting to learn more about the Youth for Christ Summer Camp please contact Scott Ritzema. The dates for the camp are June 18-24. Scott is putting together a list for an informational meeting.

Calendar

Today:	9:30 AM	Worship Service
	10:45 AM	Sunday School & Catechism
	6:00 PM	Prayer and Praise Service
Monday:	6:30 PM	Technology Committee Meeting
Wednesday:	9:00 AM	Coffee Break at Bethel CRC
	6:30 PM	Executive Committee Meeting
Sunday:	9:30 AM	Worship Service

Next Week

Accompanist

Cara Schmitt

Ushers

Gene Hofman, Neil Venhuizen

Children's Worship

Stacy Schaver, Olivia Vander Werff

Livestream

Randall Greenfield

Coffee Time

Steve and Heidi Smits

PPT

Cassidy Ritzema

Nursery

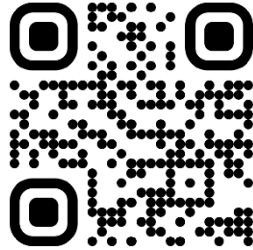
Lynnae Franken, Casey Homan,
Cassidy Ritzema

Sound System

Tyler Ten Pass

Group	<u>Elder</u>	<u>Deacon</u>
1	Joe Durant (2022)	Todd Schouten (2024)
2	Denny Vande Berg (2023)	
3	Keith Venhuizen (2022)	
4	George Aalsma (2024)	Brian Van Herwaarden (2022)
5	Dan Montsma (2022)	Eric Schaver (2022)
6	Steve Smits (2023)	Noah Mulder (2023)
7	Ben Homan (2023)	Pete Vander Werff (2023)
8	Ray Hofman (2024)	Tyler Ten Pass (2024)

Honor God
Serve Others
Transform Lives



To our precious OGT family and friends,

After a month or so of planning, collecting, organizing and praying...the WI – Orphan Grain Train's air cargo load left the dock yesterday (April 15) around 12:15 p.m. Thank You Jesus!!! God has been so faithful, we have watched Him work miracle after miracle in these last five weeks. From huge donations of diapers and baby formula, to a 24-foot trailer load full of men's clothing, most of which were brand new, that arrived just in time! Men's work clothes and work boots are hard to come by, but it is one of the items the Ukraine has been desperately asking for. He has brought OGT family and friends together from all over the state and beyond, with car loads full of supplies. The monetary support towards these loads has also been overwhelming. There's been a lot of packing going on this last month, the boxes coming in are filled with lots of love and hope!! We pray our Ukrainian neighbors, thousands of miles away can feel the love being poured out for them!! I want to thank each one of you for your generosity and support, because without you, these loads of help would not be possible!! When we combine our gifts together they become mountains of HOPE!! Will you please be in prayer as our air flight heads out? That God would clear the way for this precious cargo to reach its destination quickly with no problems or delays!!! We are hoping within two weeks, maybe sooner if all goes perfect, Vitaliy will have these needed supplies!!

Wisconsin's air cargo load will head to New York and then fly to Vienna and from there it will be directly trucked into the Ukraine to our missionary Vitaliy Smolin, whose team will then begin distribution. One of the camps his team is helping is made up of 1700 refugees, who are coming and going continually. He has shared the sadness is overwhelming, prayers are needed to keep bitterness away. Death and devastation surround them...in his words..."we are exhausted, mentally and physically" But then, in the strength of the Spirit he continues to say, "I'm blessed and highly favored." Vitaliy knows God has placed him there, for such a time as this. God's light is never diminished, even in our darkest night, His love and presence always flicker through...unextinguishable!!

This next week, we will be loading a container for Latvia, which is a neighbor of Ukraine. Lord willing, we will be able to follow up these first two loads with another air cargo load and another container. Vitaliy shared that the next big need will soon become food. So that will be our next concentration along with other needed items. He also wanted you all to know how thankful and grateful they are to everyone, for their support, encouragement and prayers. They can feel the prayers uplifting them!!

WI Orphan Grain Train

Sermon Notes