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: <u>waupuncrc@gmail.com</u> PO Box 32, Waupun 9:30 AM Worship Service

* Please stand if you are able.

Prelude

Welcome

God's Greeting

*Song of Praise: "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna" G378

*Call to Worship from Psalm 24:7-10

Lift up your heads, you gates; be lifted up, you ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in. Who is this King of glory? The LORD strong and mighty, the LORD mighty in battle. Lift up your heads, you gates; lift them up, you ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in. Who is he, this King of glory? The LORD Almighty—He is the King of glory.

*Songs of Worship: "Hosanna (Praise is Rising)" "Behold Our God"

Congregational Prayer

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

*Song of Praise: "All Glory, Laud, and Honor" G376

*Scripture: John 12:12-26

Message: "Seeing Jesus on Palm Sunday"

*Song of Response: "Open Our Eyes, Lord" R633

*Benediction

*Doxology: "We Will Glorify" R105:1, 3, 4

*Postlude

Taking part in worship today:

- Worship Leader and Sermon: Pastor Greg Schuringa
- Accompanists: Brenda Hofman
- Percussion: Adam Franken
- Vocalists: Kim Greenfield, Pete Vander Werff, Josie Venhuizen
- Media Team: Scott Ritzema, Cody Van Herwaarden, Jake Vander Werff
- Coffee: Karen Aalsma

- Children's Worship: Mackenzie Mulder, Sophia Schuringa
- Nursery: Beth Schlieve, Jenna Mulder, Tirzah Ritzema
- Ushers: Tom Jonker, Gene Hofman

Missionary Letters

- J Morgan to Neen
- B 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), 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.

The **Deacons** would like to make you aware of a few opportunities to provide help to those **in Ukraine**:

- As many of you know, Jen Vlietstra's sister Maranda and her family are missionaries serving at New Life Church in Ukraine. Although their church is non-denominational, they are heavily supported by CRC and RCA churches in the Midwest. New Life Church is currently feeding, clothing, housing and helping as many refugees as possible. As you can imagine, they are in great need of funds to support their work. If you want to give to New Life Church, please mark your check or envelope.
- World Renew, our denominational world relief and disaster response ministry; is also partnering with agencies already in the area offering support to those in Ukraine. If you would like to help out through the efforts of World Renew, you can do so through our regular offerings. Just indicate on your check that you would like to designate your donation to World Renew - Ukraine. We will then pass on the funds to them.
- Pella Lutheran Church will continue to take donations for the Orphan Grain Train for Ukrainian refugees. On the back of the March 20 bulletin there is a list of needed items that can be brought to Pella Lutheran Church here in Waupun. If you have additional questions, talk to Sue Buwalda.

Our Family

As you pray this week, please remember these people:

- Harold Greenfield, dealing with cancer.
- Jim Groenewold, unable to come to church these days.
- Dick Heeringa, unable to come to church these days.
- Brenda Merhalski, chemotherapy treatments.
- Larry Pluim, chemotherapy treatments.
- Todd Schouten, home after five days in the hospital.
- Laura Ten Pass, dealing with cancer.
- Renae Venhuizen, home in recovery after heart ablation.

Thank you to everyone for their prayers, delicious food, cards, visits, and words of encouragement before, during and after Nancy's recent surgery. It's such a blessing to have a church family that shows how much they care! Special thanks to Pastor Greg and Elder Joe Durant for their visits and calls, God bless you all! Den & Nancy Vande Berg

Church News

There is no Sunday School or Catechism next week.

There will be Choir practice today after the service to prepare for Maundy Thursday and Easter Sunday.

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: We've scheduled a special worship time of prayer and praise at 6:00 PM on Sunday, April 24. The plan will be for some of our members to lead us in prayer and also have a hymn sing that evening. Other congregations have been invited to join us and you are encouraged to invite others as well. **Please reach out to Pastor Greg if you are willing to lead one of the prayers**.

Council Training by Rev. Sam Hamstra on Saturday, July 9, 8 AM – 12 PM. 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!

DATE CHANGE: ANNUAL YOUTH GROUP FUN NIGHT IS BACK! Please book 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

Upcoming special worship services:

- Maundy Thursday with Communion, April 14, 7 PM
- Easter Sunday, April 17, 9:30 AM
- Prayer and Praise Service, April 24, 6 PM

Thank you to everyone who promoted our Ukraine Crisis collection!

We received SO many donations of much-needed items and money to assist those in and escaping Ukraine. With your help, we loaded a semitrailer with 24 pallets and collected over \$11,000! The semi leaves Waupun today (April 5). Praise be to God for His gracious work in our community and the surrounding areas. We will continue to collect for the Orphan Grain Train year-round. If you would like more information about our collection, please let me or Karla Ceman know, or visit www.ogt.org to learn more.

Tomi Knuth, Secretary, Pella Lutheran Church

Community News

ONE Waupun Connections Breakfast -- The Connections Breakfast for April 16 will be cancelled so men can spend more time with their families during the Easter weekend. Our next breakfast is scheduled for May 7.

The Randolph Community Choir will be presenting the cantata "Hallelujah! Praise the Lamb!" Please join us for a night of celebration on April 10 at 6 PM at First Reformed Church in Randolph and April 17 at 7 PM at Bethel CRC in Waupun.

CWC HS Presents: "Going Up?" The show details the hilarious struggles of passengers trapped in three elevators during a New York City power outage. You don't want to miss this fun-filled evening of theater where everyone - except the audience - can't wait to get out! Central Wisconsin Christian High School students will perform the comedy by Steve Franco and Dale Bayless at 6:30 on Friday, April 22, and Saturday, April 23. You may purchase tickets in advance at the HS office or at the door. Floor seats are \$6 and bleacher seats are \$5.

A Night of Vision - April 13, 2022, 6:30 PM: Join us for a night of worship, prayer, and praise as we share the exciting future vision of expansion at Central Wisconsin Christian to prepare for our 75th year and generations to come. This vision will be voted on at the Annual Meeting on April 19.

Central Wisconsin Christian will host its Annual Constituency Meeting on Tuesday, April 19, at 6:30 PM in the Crusader Centre. This meeting will include approval of the annual budget and board nominees, as well as a vote on the proposed Diamond Legacy Vision. All supporters of CWC are encouraged to attend and hear about this exciting vision to expand our programs, facilities, and provide for students now and for generations to come. Materials for the meeting are available online and from the school office.

Grandparents' Day - April 29, 2022: Grandparents, please join us for a fun day starting with classroom visits from 8-10:45 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.

On **Wednesday, April 20**, at 6:30 PM, Bethel Reformed Church in Brandon will be showing the film, "**American Underdog**," the story of the life of quarterback Kurt Warner. Invite your friends and family. There is NO charge.

As part of the State Welsh Weekend in Fond du Lac, all are invited to experience the wonderful **Welsh/English Hymn Sing on Sunday, May 1**, **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.

<u>Calendar</u>		
Today:	9:30 AM	Worship Service
	10:45 AM	Sunday School and Catechism
	10:45 AM	Choir Practice
Wednesday:	9:00 AM	Coffee Break at Bethel CRC
Thursday:	7:00 PM	Maundy Thursday Service
Sunday:	9:30 AM	Worship Service

Maundy Thursday Accompanist Marlyce Mulder

Ushers Brian O'Donovan, Arent Venhuizen Livestream Gregg Zonnefeld

PPT Beth Schlieve

Sound System Joe Bresser

<u>Next Week</u> Accompanist Laura Ten Pas

Children's Worship Pat Jonker, Avery Slings

Coffee Time Bob & Michelle Mulder

Nursery Becca Vree, Andrea Buwalda, Elliana Mulder **Ushers** Ben Mulder, Ryer Greenfield

Livestream Gregg Zonnefeld

PPT Ryer Greenfield

Sound System Pete Vander Werff

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

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Sermon Notes