# 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
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# 9:30 AM Worship Service

\* Please stand if you are able.

#### Prelude

Welcome & God's Greeting

\*Call to Worship: The Apostles' Creed

\*Songs of Easter Praise: "Chris the Lord is Risen Today" G388:1-4

"Low in the Grave Christ Lay" G396

Ministry of Music: "In Christ Alone" presented by the Choir

\*Song of Worship: "Living Hope"

Congregational Prayer

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

\*Songs of Praise: "The Strife is O'er, the Battle Done" G391:1-3

"Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks" G402:1-3

"I Serve a Risen Savior" G405:1, 3

Professing Our Faith: Heidelberg Catechism Q&A 45, 57, 58

\*Scripture: Matthew 28:1-10; 2 Timothy 2:8-13

Message: "Remembering the Resurrection"

\*Song of Worship: "Come You Faithful, Raise the Strain" G389

(During this song, all are welcome to join the walk-up choir for the Hallelujah Chorus.)

\*Benediction

\*Doxology: "Hallelujah Chorus"

\*Postlude

# Taking part in worship today:

- Worship Leader and Sermon: Pastor Greg Schuringa
- Accompanists: Laura Ten Pass
- Guitar and Vocals: Craig Slings
- Choir Director: Cara Schmitt
- Media Team: Pete Vander Werff, Ryer Greenfield, Gregg Zonnefeld
- Coffee: Bob & Michelle Mulder
- Children's Worship: Pat Jonker, Avery Slings

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

### **Missionary Letters**

Bob Mulder to Neen\*
Brad 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. Donations can be dropped off at Pella Monday thru Thursday, 9 AM – 2 PM. If you have additional questions, talk to Sue Buwalda.

### **Our Family**

**As you pray this week, please remember** Harold Greenfield, Brenda Merhalski, Larry Pluim, and Laura Ten Pass, all dealing with cancer.

As you know, our dream of having a **washer and dryer** has come to fruition by your generous donation. We hope to provide the ability for teen parents to do laundry during appointments and when homeless and in crisis. **Loads and loads of thanks** from us to you!

- Misty Winkelman, Parent Life

#### **Church** News

There is no Sunday School or Catechism this week.

The Waupun Food Pantry has some special needs and a Life Group wants to help meet that need. Next Sunday there will be a tote by the mailboxes for you to place your donations of toothpaste, shampoo, and conditioner. The tote will be there for four weeks, 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: 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. We can still use more volunteers.

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

#### **Community News**

It's that time of year when we start preparing for **the Summer Bag Lunch Program at the Community Table** where we have the opportunity to bless

the children in our community. If you would like to volunteer to prepare and serve bag lunches, please talk to Lois. One of our Life Groups is planning to do a week at the end of July.

**The Randolph Community Choir** will be presenting the cantata "Hallelujah! Praise the Lamb!" Please join us this evening for a night of celebration at Bethel CRC in Waupun at 7:00 PM.

**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.

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.

**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 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

Wednesday: 9:00 AM Coffee Break at Bethel CRC

Sunday: 9:30 AM Worship Service

6:00 PM Prayer and Praise Service

### **Next Week**

Accompanist

Cara Schmitt (AM)

Laura Ten Pass (PM)

Children's Worship

Becca Vree, Cassidy Ritzema

**Coffee Time** 

Al & LeAnne Holden

Nursery

Phylicia Coda, Jessica Ten Pass,

Morgan Buwalda

**Ushers** 

Bob Mulder, Tom Jonker

Livestream

Rachel Hoffman

PPT

**Avery Slings** 

**Sound System** 

Joe Bresser

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)

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# **Sermon Notes**