



**Crocodile Dock**  
**Vacation Bible School**  
**Where Fearless Kids Shine God's Light**

**9:00 AM - 12:00 Noon**  
**July 20-23**

**First Christian  
Reformed Church**

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# 9:30 AM Worship

## Prelude

### \*The Opening

\*Hymn: "God Himself is With Us" G244 vs. 1-3

### Confession and Assurance

The Confession  
The Declaration of Pardon  
The Response  
"Glory Be to the Father" G635  
The Dedication

### Baptism of Jenna Rae Schouten

(2 Peter 1:5-7)  
"In The Hands of the Lord" sung by Vern Haagsma & Carla Vander Leest

### Proclamation of the Word

\*Scripture: Exodus 24:1-8  
Sermon: "A Relationship Seal"  
Prayer

### The Response

\*Hymn: "In Sweet Communion, Lord, with You" G554 vs. 1, 3, 5  
\*The Creed  
The Intercessory Prayer  
The Offertory: Benevolent Fund  
Hymn: "Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow" G638

### The Lord's Supper

The Thanksgiving  
Hymn: "Holy, Holy, Holy" G 249 vs. 1  
The Institution  
The Memorial  
Prayer of Consecration  
Preparation of the Elements  
The Invitation  
The Dedication  
The Communion  
The Thanksgiving  
\*Hymn: "Now Blessed Be the Lord Our God" G630 vs. 1

\*Benediction

\*Hymn: "Now Blessed Be the Lord Our God G630 vs. 2

### \*Postlude

*\*Please stand if you are able*

### **Accompanist**

Laura Ten Pass

### **Children & Worship**

Teacher: Kelli Durant  
Helpers: Lucas Vander Berg  
Trevor Zonnefeld

### **Greeters**

Dale & Jean Jansen

### **Library**

Arlene De Jager  
Marcia Buteyn  
Marge Vande Streek

### **Nursery**

Jack Stahmann family

### **Sound System**

Dan Scheuers

### **Transportation**

Percy De Vries (324-4678)  
Louie Wierenga (324-3683)

### **Ushers**

Brian Bresser  
Joe Bresser  
Ben Homan  
Eric Homan

### **Video Projection**

Lois Mulder

### **Missionary Letters**

Joe A. to Daryl Pfantz<sup>+</sup>  
Dale A. to Brother Bob  
Seth A. to Chaplain Peter

*<sup>+</sup>Please pray especially for this missionary family this week.*

## 7:00 PM Worship

### Prelude

**Musical Praise** led by Gregg Zonnefeld

**Prayers of the People** by Brian O'Donovan

**Offering** for Local Budget

**\*We Study God's Word:** Genesis 44

### Prayer

**\*Benediction**

**\*Closing Song:** "You, O Lord, Are My Refuge"  
(see screen)

**\*Postlude**

*\*Please stand if you are able*

### **Accompanist**

Brenda Hofman

### **Greeters**

Dave & Gloria Rens

### **Nursery**

Dale & Beth Andrew

### **Sound System**

Dan Scheuers

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## **Welcome**

**We welcome our visitors** and hope that you enjoy worshipping with us. Please fill out a "Care Card" found in the back of the gray Psalter Hymnal and drop it in the offering bag. The red Celebration Hymnals are located under the pew in front of you. Inform an usher if you prefer a large print bulletin, and feel free to check one of the "Visitor" mailslots in the narthex for additional materials.

## **Worship Notes**

This morning we rejoice with the Brad and Rhonda Schouten family in the **baptism of Jenna Rae Schouten**. There will be no Children's Message today.



This morning we also celebrate **Holy Communion**. We welcome visitors in our midst to partake of the Lord's Supper with us if you are a professing member of a church that holds the Bible to be God's infallible Word and if you profess your faith in the triune God (Father, Son and Holy Spirit).

Pastor Craig and Elder Jim Groenewold will be serving **home communion** to our shut-ins on **Thursday**. If you or someone you know desires home communion but has not yet been contacted, please inform Pastor Craig.

**Verse of the Week: Exodus 24:3** "When Moses went and told the people all the LORD's words and laws, they responded with one voice, 'Everything the LORD has said we will do.'"

## Church Family

“**Thank you** for the letters, cards, and bulletins that have been sent as well as your prayers for me. I am doing better as my back pain has decreased somewhat. An MRI will be scheduled at a later date.” – Liz Van Zanen

**Feeling an Anna Venhuizen-withdrawal?** If you'd like to keep informed about her ministry of Grace Children's Home, check out her new blog at [avenhuizen08.blogspot.com](http://avenhuizen08.blogspot.com).

**We rejoice with the following** who will celebrate an anniversary or birthday this week:

### Anniversary:

Ben & Leah Buteyn  
Brad & Rhonda Schouten

### July

12  
14

### *Congratulations!*

Roland & Joyce Buchholz  
Al & Renae Venhuizen

### July

17  
18

### Birthdays:

Eugene Kikkert  
Rebecca Sill  
Joyce Buchholz  
Kayden Hofman  
Austin Montsma

### July

12  
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Barb Heeringa  
Ray Hofman  
Gene Winkel  
Braeden Aylesworth  
Liz Venhuizen

### July

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## Church News

**Thanks to all** who donated cookies/bars for the Friesland Men's Chorus fellowship hour. Please pick up your **containers** from the kitchen counter.

**Council** will meet at 8:00 PM tomorrow. Please inform an elder or deacon if you have any matter for the council.

Come one, come all to the **second annual First CRC Church picnic** - Halle Bible Study Group will be cooking up some brats and burgers and the Youth Group will have ice cream sundaes available for a donation. All proceeds will go to the Christian Home. Please bring a salad or vegetable dish to pass, your own drink and table service. So come join us for games, fun and fellowship this Saturday, 12:00 noon at CWC Elementary. There is a sign up sheet in the narthex; we look forward to seeing you there.



**Crocodile Dock VBS starts in only 8 days!** Please be sure to read the important information in the VBS Update section.

**The Annual Congregational Meeting** will be held at 7:00 PM next Monday, July 20. The agenda and ballot will be posted to the church website on Tuesday and will be included in the meeting packet that will be in your mailslots next Sunday. All active professing members (no matter what age) are eligible to vote this year. Absentee ballots for elder and deacon nominations are on the narthex counter. Please put your absentee ballot in a signed envelope and place it in the "Return" mailslot or give it to a council member.

**Are you interested in making profession of faith?** Would you like to know more about what we believe? Then let Pastor Craig know and we will start another exciting class for profession of faith. We hope to get most of it done during the summer so let Pastor Craig know soon.

## **Community News**

**Needed:** All sizes of new or slightly used sweat shirts and pants for the Emergency Rooms at St. Agnes Hospital and Waupun Memorial Hospital. Many times the patient's clothes are damaged or have to be taken as evidence in cases of abuse. The supply of replacement clothing is very low at this time. To donate, please call St. Agnes Hospital's Domestic Violence Program at 920-926-4207.



The Emmanuel Reformed Middle School Youth group is hosting a **Trike-A-Thon** on Saturday, July 18, to raise funds for the Waupun Animal Shelter. It is open to children ages 2-7 accompanied by their parent/guardian. Meet at Emmanuel Reformed Church, 400 West Brown Street (one block east of the Waupun hospital) at 9:45 to register. The Trike-A-Thon begins at 10:00 with a short route leaving the church and traveling around the Christian Home. Bring your trike, bike, stroller, or ride-on-toy. Money or material donations (such as kitty litter, bleach, cat beds...) for the Waupun Animal Shelter are welcomed, but are not required to participate in the event. Activities after the trike-a-thon will include singing, story, art project, and a snack. The child with the largest money donation will win a new Exodus X-2-0 scooter. There will be treat bags for each participant and door prizes. Pledge sheet are available at: Emmanuel Reformed Church, Waupun Library, Marshland Pet, Super Valu, and Piggly Wiggly.

The Christian Home and Rehab Center is holding their 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual **Antique Car Show** on Saturday, July 18 from 11 am – 2 pm in the SE parking lot at The Home. (331 Bly St. Waupun) You are invited to come and visit with residents as you go down memory lane and enjoy the cars. If you have a car you want to show, contact Wick Hubers, 324-9051.



See the bulletin board for information on the **Darrell Evans and Jay Snow Workshops for Musicians, Vocalists, and Tech Crews** to be held in Sheboygan at 10:00AM-12:00 Noon on Saturday, July 25.

**The Labor Day church campout** has three campsites available. Anyone interested should contact Jeff Homan 324-4930 or Karen Lemmenes 324-3592.



Mark your calendars for the **2009 Central Wisconsin Christian Harvest Auction**. This year's event theme is *New York! New York!* Save the date of Saturday, September 19<sup>th</sup> to get in on all the action. Items are being solicited to make our auction list in 2009 the best one yet, and the Leadership Team is also interested in your ideas for items you'd like to see on our list. Give us a call at 324.4233 or logon to [www.cwcauction.com](http://www.cwcauction.com). We will see you in September!

Did you know you can personally make an eternal difference in the life of someone in Africa? You'll have an opportunity to do this at the **Wisconsin Retreat** (a break off from the former Tri-State Retreat) sponsored by Bible League Volunteers on September 22 at the Living Hope Community Church in Fox Lake. Our theme this year is "Be Thou My Vision." Lynn Austin, our featured speaker, has published 12 novels. Three of her historical novels—*Hidden Places*, *Candle in the Darkness*, and *Fire by Night*—have won Christy Awards for excellence in Christian Fiction. Husbands and friends are invited to join us for the banquet and concert. (See the brochure that was in your mailslot for costs or contact Phyllis Hofman or Margaret Miedema.)

Trinity Baptist School of Fond du Lac is sponsoring **Steve Green in Concert** on Saturday, September 26. See the bulletin board for ticket information.

### **Church Calendar**

<b>Today:</b>	8:45 AM	First Fellowship
	9:30 AM	Morning Worship
	10:50 AM	VBS Volunteer Meeting
	7:00 PM	Evening Worship
<b>Mon:</b>	7:00 PM	Elder's Meeting
	7:30 PM	Deacon's Meeting
	8:00 PM	Council
<b>Tue:</b>	10:00 AM	VBS Decorating
<b>Wed:</b>	6:30 PM	Safe Team meeting
<b>Thu:</b>		Home Communion
	6:00 PM	Worship Committee
<b>Fri:</b>	6:00 PM	Co-ed Softball @ Edgewood
<b>Sat:</b>	12:00 PM	Church Picnic @ CWC Elementary

## Notes & Prayer Requests

### Next Week

#### **Accompanist**

AM – Junice Rens

PM – Cara Aylesworth

#### **Children's Message**

Marla De Jager

#### **Children & Worship**

Teacher: Tabbie Vander Werff

Helpers: Breanna Smits

Jordan De Jager

#### **Greeters**

AM – Keith & Sue Buwalda

PM – Dan & Jan Scheuers

#### **Library**

Faith Miedema

Dorothy Schouten

Nancy Wierenga

#### **Musical Praise**

Gene Hofman

#### **Nursery**

AM – Brad & Rhonda Schouten

Gretchen Hoekstra

PM – Bonnie, Lucas, & Dylan Vander Berg

#### **Offering**

AM – Education Fund

PM – CRC Chaplain Ministries

#### **Pastoral Prayer**

Al Venhuizen

#### **Sound System**

Glen Greenfield

#### **Transportation**

Percy De Vries (324-4678)

Louie Wierenga (324-3683)

#### **Ushers**

Brian Bresser

Joe Bresser

Ben Homan

Eric Homan

#### **Video Projection**

Steve Wierenga

# Crocodile Dock VBS Update



In order to make Crocodile Dock a success **we need you!!** We need Bayou Crew Leaders, Assistant Crew Leaders, Pre-school helpers, nursery attendants, and registration. Please consider serving in one of these areas. There are sign-up sheets in the VBS table—fill one out and put in the return box. If you can't help every day, that is fine. Sign up for the days you can help out. Middle School and High School students, we have lots of openings for you to help. This is a great way to earn service hours.

**Volunteers: Please plan on a meeting today at 10:50, right after the morning service, to talk out VBS.** If you have signed up already there should be a note in your box. If you did not get one please contact Dominique or Bonnie.

**Come help transform the church** into our Southern Bayou for Crocodile Dock this **Tuesday at 10:00!**

**Please remember to bring your food and craft items to church!**

**Early Registration** is now open! The forms you need are on the VBS table or you can sign up online at [waupuncrc.com](http://waupuncrc.com). Click on the Crocodile Dock icon and follow the instructions. This year the kids will be in small groups of 5 to 6 six kids of all ages. If your child would like to sign up with one friend, that is fine. Please put that child's name on the registration form.

**CD's** are available for \$4.00. We are using a new company for VBS this year, and are not able to burn CD's for the kids this year. If you would like to purchase a CD, contact Bonnie Vander Berg (324-0801).

**Thank you** to those who came to help paint and those who dropped off paint and sheets.

Thanks - Dominique and Bonnie





# Prayer List



## Shut-Ins

Gerald Bossenbroek  
Delia Buteyn  
Hazel Buwalda  
Bea Heideman  
Junice Kamphuis  
Eugene Kikkert  
Millie Kuiper

Josie Looman  
Bud Navis  
Wilma Navis  
Marion Scheuers  
Howard Te Beest  
Jerry Tjepkema  
Minnie Tobak

## Health Concerns

**Bob Bille's father, Marvin**, as he undergoes radiation and chemo treatments for esophageal cancer.

**Gene Hofman's mother, Kathryn**, as she deals with cancer.

**Marion Scheuers** as she experiences severe pain in both legs.

Healing for **Liz Van Zanen's** broken back and that her pain will be alleviated.

## Military

**Wiebe & Ruth Buwalda's grandson, Peter Woreck** (Afghanistan)

**Larry & Trix Daane's granddaughter, Holly Daane** (Beal AFB, CA), and **grandson, Jeff Daane** (Iraq)

**Sam Daane** (Beal AFB, CA)

**Jack & Marla De Jager's nephew, Jonathan Sturing** (Mosul, Iraq)

**Casey Derksen** (Iraq)

**Chaplain Peter Hofman**

**Louie & Nancy Wierenga's grandson, Devin Terry** (Baghdad, Iraq)

## Requests

Pray that the bank will accept the offer for a short sale on the **Van Hill's house** in Holland, MI.

Pray for the **many volunteers** who are making the final preparations for next week's **VBS** and that the Lord will prepare the **hearts of the children** who will be attending.

**World Missions:** Vacation? While many people enjoy a time of rest and relaxation, a crew of new missionaries are hard at work, preparing for challenging overseas assignments. This week they will undergo intensive orientation. Add a piece of armor to their gear by remembering them in prayer.

To add or remove a prayer request, please inform Marla.

# Showers of Blessings

July 8, 2009

Greetings!

During my morning time of meditation with Peter, I watch as the deluge continues. It has been raining hard for the past nineteen hours in what seems to be ever-increasing amounts and virtually daily since February when the so called “Dry Season” was scheduled to begin. We have heard that the rice farmers are delighted. Hopefully so is the ever-increasing population giving thanks for God’s ongoing providence.

Four seasons bless America, but alas we have only two—Wet Season and Dry Season. The temperatures are nearly the same in both—hovering in day/night degrees of seventy to ninety, give or take. The difference is in the rainfall—ranging from one-tenth of an inch in February/March to some fourteen and fifteen-plus inches in July and August. It’s been like clockwork for as long as anyone remembers.

Not this year. The wettest of the Wet Season has never diminished. Indeed it is wetter and there are no signs of easing. Global warming, a bizarre season of excess. “*the beginning of birth pains*” Jesus speaks of in Matthew Chapter 24?

Who knows? Certainly not Neen and I. Yet the Scriptures speak of the urgency in sharing the Gospel in words like “*now is the time of God’s favor, now is the day of salvation*” and the worst of weather has not hindered our determination to seize the opportunity left to us.

Thanks for standing with us, even in the rain.

Brother Bob and Neen



**Thank You**

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On behalf of the St. Wenceslaus Parish Family, we say thank you for your generous gift of time and talent to help us in our flood recovery efforts. The group spent several hours here on our campus Thursday, June 18. Photos of our flood and recovery, including a photo of the crew from Waupun can be found at [www.stwenceslauscr.com](http://www.stwenceslauscr.com) on the Flood 2008 page.

The June 2008 floods hit our campus very hard. By the grace of God, with strong leadership from Fr. Chris and Parish Council, countless volunteers, and numerous generous food and financial contributions the clean-up/rebuild moved ahead. We held our first post-flood Mass Sept 28, just 15 weeks after the flood! The outpouring of love and compassion continues today as we have passed the one year mark. Through June 15 more than 15,000 volunteer hours have been logged on our property. It has been, and continues to be truly humbling and overwhelming. The faith-filled response to the words of Jesus "to love one another in His name" is appreciated beyond what we can express.

Despite all the destruction, pain, loss, and inconvenience of the floods we have been extraordinarily blessed.

Again, your gift of time and talent is so very much appreciated!

Gratefully in Christ,

Dave Martin

Parish Manager

St. Wenceslaus Church

1224 5th Street SE

Cedar Rapids, Iowa, 52401

**Thank You**

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Thank you for volunteering with the flood recover project in Cedar Rapids, IA! Your hard work and dedication was appreciated and has been very valuable to our community in need. We enjoyed working with you! If you are interested in working with us again, please let me know!

Sincerely,

Bonnie

East Central Iowa Volunteer Center

220 6th Street NW

Cedar Rapids, IA 52405

**Thank You**

**Thank You**

**Thank You**

# **CRWRC**

## *Urgent Request for Skilled Volunteers for Alaska*

Dear Friends,

We have made the commitment to send teams to help repair flooded homes in Tanana, Alaska (northwest of Fairbanks). These homes have already been gutted and sanitized, and now need to be repaired. That means sheetrock, electrical and finishing volunteers will be needed.

FEMA has agreed to pay for travel expenses, so all skilled volunteers who can commit two weeks will have all their travel costs covered. Housing, which will probably be bunkhouse style, and meals are being arranged locally. Since Tanana is inaccessible by road, FEMA is arranging to have building materials sent in by barge, and volunteer teams will be flown in by chartered flights

CRWRC will have a construction manager on site from July 15 to the end of September, and we need to organize skilled teams in two week blocks to cover that period. We are told that volunteer housing can handle a maximum of 12 people at a time, so our goal will be to have a steady flow of 12 person teams during the available period. There are 23 homes that need to be completed by the end of September, when the winter starts to set in.

If you have not already contacted us, and if you can make a commitment, or if you know other skilled individuals who would be willing to participate, please contact us as soon as possible by calling (800-848-5818) or by email ([drs@crwrc.org](mailto:drs@crwrc.org)).

Blessings,

Bill Adams

Director

CRWRC-Disaster Response Services



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Check out our disaster response website at [greenshirts.org](http://greenshirts.org). CRWRC is a registered non-profit in Canada and the US, and is an agency of the Christian Reformed Church of North America.

Thanks!

Sue Kuipers

CRWRC-Disaster Response Services

Systems Coordinator