# Welcome to

## **First Christian Reformed Church**



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## 9:30 AM Worship Service (\*Please stand if you are able)

## We Gather In Worship

#### **Prelude**

## **Lighting of Advent Candle**

Mary Did You Know sung by Kim Venhuizen

## \*God's Greeting and We Greet One Another

\*Opening Song: Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus G329 Vs. 1,3 & 4

## We Are Renewed in God's Grace

Reading of God's Law

#### **Congregational Prayer**

#### Offertory & Our Offerings:

(Jacob Mulder presentation during offering)

1<sup>st</sup> – Education Fund

2<sup>nd</sup> – Denominational Ministry Shares

Song: Redeemed R356 Vs. 1-4

## Children are dismissed for Walk Out Worship

## God Speaks Through His Word

\*Scripture: Luke 1:39-56

Sermon: "God is my Redeemer"

## We Respond to God's Word

\*Song of Response: Joy to the World R270

#### Accompanist

Brenda Hofman

#### Children & Worship

Leader: Tabbie Vander Werff Helpers: Marissa Jansma Cassie Holden

### **Fellowship Coffee**

Steve & Heidi Smits

#### **Greeters**

Arky & Helene Navis

#### Nursery

Andrea Buwalda Stacy Schaver

#### Sound System

Glen Greenfield

#### Transportation

Percy De Vries (324-4678) Arky Navis (324-2859

#### **Ushers**

Keith Buwalda Lucas Vander Berg Grace Venhuizen Don Pausma

## Video Projection

LeAnne Holden

#### **Missionary Letters**

Dan S. to Daryl Pfantz+

Nate S. to Neen

Winnojean S. to Chaplain Peter+

<sup>†</sup>Please pray especially for this missionary family this week

## We Leave to Serve God

\*God's Parting Blessing

\*Closing Song: Jesus Name Above all Names R86

\*Postlude

## 7:00 PM Worship Service (\*Please stand if you are able)

**Prelude** 

Call to Worship

\*God's Greeting

Opening Songs led by Ben Homan

Prayers of the People led by Al Venhuizen

We Study God's Word: Genesis 27:1-40

\*Song of Response: What Wondrous Love is

This G379 Vs. 1-3

\*Affirmation of our Faith: The Apostles Creed

\*Benediction

\*Doxology: Lord of the Universe

\*Postlude

## **Welcome**

We welcome our visitors and hope that you enjoy worshipping with us. If you are presently seeking a church home, we welcome you to join our fellowship. If you would like further information about our church, check out our website at www.waupuncrc.com or contact Pastor Craig (324-2249) or the church office (324-2898).

VISITORS

The songs and responsive readings will be displayed on the video screens, but feel free to use the hymnals if you wish. The Celebration Hymnals (R) are located under the pew in front of you.

**Large-print bulletins** and **children's bulletins** are available from an usher or the back sanctuary rack. Please feel free to check one of the "**Visitor**" **mail slots** in the narthex for additional materials.

**You can tune in to AM 1170** every Sunday morning at 8:30 to hear last week's sermon. You are also able to listen to sermons from our website as well as view the bulletin. Website address is www.waupuncrc.com

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## **Worship Notes**

The first offering is for **Education Fund**—to pay for Christian Education at CWC for the children of the congregation.

The second offering is for the **Denominational Ministry Shares**—supports national and worldwide ministries as designated by Synod. This fund currently supports Back to God Ministries International, Calvin College, Calvin Theological Seminary, Faith Alive Resources, Christian Reformed Home Missions, Christian Reformed World Missions, Specialized Ministries, Denominational Services, The Network, and Special Assistance.

A basket is located in the back of the sanctuary for the evening offering. The evening offering for the **month of December it will go to GEMS National.** 

**Next week** we will be looking at the first part of Zechariah's song in Luke 1 where he addresses the "Lord and King" nature of God's character. This nature is what God is about to launch into this world in a new way through the advent of His Son. Zechariah, the sleepy, despondent priest, suddenly catches on to the wide-awake ways of God and calls us to see God at work in His Son.

**Verse of the Week:** And Mary said: "My soul glorifies the Lord and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior" Luke 1:46-47

#### This week be in prayer for:

- Those cleaning up from the storms
- Calm nerves during this hectic time of year
- Those missing loved ones

### Give thanks for:

- Work
- God's immeasurable providence
- Time with family

## **Our Family**

We rejoice with the following who will celebrate an anniversary & a birthday this week:

Birthdays:	<u>December</u>		<u>December</u>
Hollie Ten Pass	4	Lauren Durant	6
Darrall Schaver	6	Dominique Van Hil	l 6
Cassie Holden	7	Jolie Schouten	7

**Laura Ten Pass** was able to receive her chemo treatment again last Friday. Pray that her counts will remain high enough and that she will be given strength and rest while the cancer disappears.

Remember **Heather Hoekstra** in your prayers as she undergoes surgery on Monday.

As this time of year approaches so does depression. Pray that those who suffer from this will be protected from it this year and that those who are already experiencing it will be healed.

Out of courtesy to anyone in a wheelchair please leave one of the handicapped benches open.

#### **Church News**

The building fund has numerous maintenance issues that need to be addressed, the funds are low and some need immediate attention. Please prayerfully consider your giving to the building fund. Thank you, Building/Property team.

**Women's Bible study** will meet Wednesday, December 4 at Bonnie VandeBerg's home at 6:30pm.

Worship Committee meeting on Tuesday, December 3 at 6:00 PM

Just a reminder that the **Sunday School kids** are going to be practicing for the Christmas program today after the morning service until11:15. We will also be having a special practice on Wednesday, December 11 from 3:00-5:00.

Please join us **December 8, 2014** at **3pm** as we carol to members of our community. We will meet in the church parking lot and carol for a few hours. We would like to treat those we visit, so we ask you to please bring a few small plates of Christmas cookies, bars, or treats. If you have questions please contact Kim Greenfield.

Church Office Hours: Tuesday from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM and Thursday from 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM. Please send all announcements to waupuncrc@gmail.com or call the church office at 324-2898. Please have all announcements in by 9:00 AM on Thursday.

We now have wireless access in the church building. This can be used by members of the church for Bible studies, Sunday school, committee meeting, etc. It does require a password. If you would like that password you may ask Mike Vander Berg or Gladys Montsma.

**Prayer requests** can be submitted for the bulletin by either calling the office at 324-2898 or sending an email to waupuncrc@gmail.com.

As we continue our **Year of Prayer at First CRC** you are invited to join us in prayer every Tuesday morning from 8:00 to 9:00 AM in the large catechism room upstairs.

Please remember to pray for the person listed each day on your **prayer calendar**. If you need a new calendar please contact Gladys.

The deadline for the next vision trip to Haiti is fast approaching! If you are interested in joining OH4F on this vision trip, or have any questions regarding the trip, please contact Ben or Alyssa Homan. We need to know who will be joining us by December 10th, but would love to know who is interested as soon as possible so that we can give you information regarding cost, payment, time frame, etc. We would love for all who are interested to prayerfully consider joining us! Contact information: Phone:539-5608 or email: alyssahoman11@gmail.com or benjamin.homan80@gmail.com

### Community Happenings

Central Wisconsin Christian School would like to invite you to their upcoming Christmas Celebrations: The 3K-5<sup>th</sup> grade students will begin our festivities on Friday, December 6<sup>th</sup> in the Crusader Centre beginning at 7:00pm. These students will be singing "The Christmas Present". After the program, we will be hosting a Dessert Night/Bake Sale with proceeds going to CWC families experiencing special needs this year. If you would like to donate items for the Bake Sale, please contact Heidi Smits at 960-5947 or either school office.

The **Middle School and High School** students continue our celebration on Thursday, December 12<sup>th</sup>. Prior to the concert the Music Department will be hosting a Soup Supper and Bake Sale with proceeds benefitting the music department. Serving will be from 4:30 – 6:15. The concert will begin at 7:00pm. **Please join us as we celebrate the birth of our Savior!!** 

**Society Meeting vote** on Vision 2015 is December 9. In the last couple of weeks, the Central Wisconsin Christian School Board has hosted a couple of "Project Chats" related to the Vision 2015 Capital Campaign, which includes debt reduction on our current facility, renovation of our Middle School, and the creation of a 21st Century Learning Commons in our high school wing. You've received a brochure in the mail on the project, and more information is available on our website. There will be a special Society Meeting on Monday, December 9th at 7:00 PM to vote on the project. All parents who have students at CWC and others who have contributed at least \$50 in the past year are members allowed to vote at this meeting. Please prayerfully consider the opportunities to get involved in this project. If you have questions, give us a call or drop us a note.

"Surviving the Holidays" seminars offered in Waupun and Beaver
Dam DivorceCare Surviving the Holidays is a free one and a half-hour event
where you can learn practical, effective strategies to help you make it
through the holidays. This seminar is designed for people seperated or
going through divorce. It will be held on Monday, December 2 at Edgewood

Community Church, located at 201 Edgewood Drive in Waupun from 6:00-7:30 PM; and Monday, December 9 at Faith Community Church located at 401 Stone Street in Beaver Dam from 6:00 PM-7:30 PM.. This holiday season can be a wonderful time of personal growth and peace as you learn to discover joy amidst the heartache. To register or find out more about Divorce Care or Surviving the Holidays, please call Tim at 920-296-5961 or email tkhilgers@gmail.com.

Calendar

Todav: 8:45 AM First Fellowship

Morning Worship 9:30 AM

Sunday School & Catechism 10:45 AM

7:00 PM **Evening Worship** 

Prayer Meeting Tuesday: 8:00 AM

Worship Committee Meeting 6:00 PM

Women's Bible Study @ Bonnie VB Wednesday: 6:30 PM

GEMS @ Bethel CRC 6:30 PM Cadets @ the Union 6:30 PM 7:00 PM Youth Group @ the Union

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Next Week

**Accompanist** Cara Avlesworth

Children & Worship Leader: Dominique Van Hill

Helpers: Claire Jansen

Gretchen Hoekstra

Fellowship Coffee

Gregg & Kristi Zonnefeld

Greeters

AM - Dewey & Lois Pausma

PM - Don & Linda Pausma

Musical Praise

Elaine Homan

Nursery

Marilvn Mulder Kim Greenfield Lynnae Smits

Offering

1st - Faith Promise

2nd - Local Budget

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## **Prayer List**

## **Shut-Ins**

Joyce Haan Junice Kamphuis Winnie Kuiper Wilma Navis Alice Redeker Bob Rens Dorothy Tobak

#### Health:

Dale & Fern Dehnert as Dale continues to struggle with health issues.

Harry and Pat Homan as Harry struggles with his health.

Helene Navis as she continues to recover from hip replacement.

Those struggling with addiction and their families.

Those with cancer and those undergoing cancer treatments and their families: Laura Ten Pass, Laurie Greenfield & Mark Schrader.

### **Military**

Joyce Haan's grandson, Scott Voss (Pensacola, FL)

Chaplain Peter Hofman (Fort Bragg, NC)

Austin Montsma (Goodfellow AFB, TX)

Lt. Col. Lori Allert (Louie & Nancy Wiernga's daughter) (Kuwait)
Louie & Nancy Wierenga's grandson. Devin Terry (California)

### Requests

Remember **Neen & Angel** as they continue Brother Bob's Ministry. **Pray for** LOVE, patience, understanding and forgiveness in all our relationships.

Pray for our country.

## Care Group/Council Reps

Group	<u>Elder</u>	<u>Deacon</u>
1	Ken Homan	Kevin Buwalda
2	Steve Homan	
3	Jim Groenewold	
4	Scott Ritzema	Dan Montsma
5	Brian Bresser	Joe Durant
6	Dave Rens	Eric Schaver
7	Byron Kamphuis	
8	Pete Vander Werff	Charlie Kitchner