

# First Reformed Church



## Our Vision

Seeking God - Nurturing One Another - Reaching Others For Christ

## Our Mission

Our mission as a body of believers is to grow God's Kingdom through spiritual growth, loving and caring fellowship and sharing the hope and joy of God's grace

# First Reformed Church

October 14, 2018

A sincere welcome to all who have come to worship.  
May the incomparable blessings that come from God alone touch each of us.

A nursery is available in the lower level of the church.

Children's bulletins, children's activity bags and large print bulletins  
are available at the back of the sanctuary.

An usher would be happy to assist you with these items.

## Worship Service Participants

	<u>This Week (October 14)</u>	<u>Next Week (October 21)</u>
<b>Greeters</b>	Norm & Mary Aalsma	Bob & Carol De Haan
<b>Ushers</b>	Wes Dalka Jeff Freriks Clayton Jahns	Gary Beek Josh Damsteegt Randy Flier
<b>Door Greeters</b>		
<b>Upstairs</b>	Howard Loomans	Randy & Lori Flier
<b>Downstairs East Door</b>	Gary & Jan Beek	Bill & Carol Eichstadt
<b>Nursery</b>	Sarah Lemmenes Paige Van Buren	Stephanie Levey Molli Steinbach
<b>Elders Greeting</b>	Ray Freriks Keith Jansma Jerry Riel	Bill Eichstadt Elton Ter Beest Steve Towne
<b>Soundboard</b>	Howard Loomans	John De Vries
<b>Power Point</b>	Amanda and Ryan De Vries	Kaylin DeMaa
<b>Refreshments:</b>	Steve & Kim Perry	

## October Schedules

**Hospital:** Bill Eichstadt  
**Flowers:** Jane Van Buren  
**Transportation:** Gary Beek  
**Library:** Henri Raith

## Opportunities This Week

### Sunday:

Education Team Meeting: 10:15 am in the Consistory Room.

### Tuesday:

Worship Planning Team Meeting: 5:30 pm in the Consistory Room.

Missions Team Meeting: 6:00 pm in the Chapel.

Caring & Sharing Team Meeting: 6:30 pm in the Triple Room.

Team Meetings: 6:30 pm in the Triple Room.

### Wednesday:

XYZ: 9:30 - 10:30 am in the Triple Room.

Sr. Choir practice: 7:15 - 8:15 pm in the sanctuary

Jr. High Youth Group: 6:00 - 7:30 pm in the Youth Room.

Sr. High Youth Group: 7:30 - 9:00 pm in the Youth Room.

### Thursday:

Bell Choir Practice: 6:15 - 7:15 pm in the sanctuary.

### Saturday:

Men's' Huddle: 7:00 - 8:00 am at Helen's Kitchen in Waupun.

## Children's Ministry

### Sunday School Begins October 21 from 10:15 - 11:00 am!

All children ages 3 years old through 5<sup>th</sup> grade are invited to attend!

- All children 3 years old - 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade will be meeting in the Worship Center Room. We will be using the Young Children and Worship program for this age group.
- Grades 4 & 5: We will be using Faith Builders: Building Faith One Block at a Time. This curriculum is built on faith, the Bible and Legos!

Awana: Will begin on Wednesday, October 24<sup>th</sup>, with a Fun Filled Family Night starting at 6:00 pm.

There are still plenty of opportunities to help out in both of these areas.  
Feel free to talk to any Education Team member or myself, Kari Loomans.

We are looking forward to an exciting year in the Children's Ministry Department!

Please watch for more updates to follow!!

## **Sunday Worship Service**

October 14, 2018

9:00 am

Prelude: Jon Schmaltz

Call to Worship

\*Hymn #184: "Thy Word"

Children's Message: Kelley Van Buren

Children's Song #185: "Jesus Loves Me" (verse 1)

Ministry of Music: Cheryl Ross

Scripture: Philippians 3:1-11 (page 1828)

Message: Philippians - Growing in Grace Week 5

Tithes and Offerings

\*Hymn #816: "We Give Thee but Thine Own" (verse 1)

\*Offertory Prayer

\*Hymn #654: "Change My Heart, O God"

Announcements

Prayer

\*Benediction

\*Hymn #655: "Sanctuary"

\*Please stand if you are able.

\*\*All songs led by Jon Schmaltz, Katie De Maa, Joyce Mills, Kim Zimmerman, Cheryl Ross and John De Vries

## **Church Contact Information**

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## **Congregational News**

**Serving Those in Need:** First Reformed will be joining First Christian Reformed of Waupun to serve a meal to the needy at St. Ben's in Milwaukee on October 26<sup>th</sup>. Sign-up in the entryway if you are able to donate items or help serve the meal. The food will need to be to church by 10:00 am that day and servers will leave from church at 3:00 pm. Please have meat loaves baked and ready to go. Any questions, call Elton & Betty Ter Beest.

**Fellowship Time:** Many people enjoy a time of fellowship following the worship service. If you would be able to help with serving refreshments during that time, please sign-up in the entryway for a Sunday that fits your schedule. All drinks, cookies and supplies are provided.

**Urgent Need:** Please give prayerful consideration to the opportunity of a part-time position for the Director of Preschool and Elementary Outreach. This individual will focus on areas such as Sunday School, Awana, Vacation Bible School and the Christmas Program. The position is being targeted at 15 hours per week. If this is an area of ministry that interests you, please speak with a member of the Education Team (Mike and Cindy DeVries, Ellen Decker, Jeff Freriks, Jody Turnes or BJ DeMaa). A complete job description is available in the office.

**Manitowish Ministries Donations:** Manitowish Ministries is facing a deficit in their budgeted annual gift donations. This past year excitement for the new cabins dominated their donations. However, their regular donations that fund smaller improvements have decreased as donors grab on to the vision of building new cabins. If you would like to make a donation to help close the gap on the shortfall, contact the church office or make a designation on your offering envelope.

**Office Hours:** Sherry will be out of the office on Monday.

**Operation Christmas Child:** First Reformed will be participating in Operation Christmas Child. You can pack a shoebox, which are located in the entryway, with school items, small toys, etc. and return it to church by Wednesday, November 14<sup>th</sup>. (You may also use your own shoebox-sized plastic container.) The boxes will then be delivered to needy children around the world through Samaritan's Purse. A box label must accompany each box and are located on the information desk.

**Focus Articles:** Articles for the November/December Focus are due to the church office by Wednesday, October 24<sup>th</sup>.

**Save The Date!** First Reformed will be hosting their annual Christmas Carol Sing on Sunday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>, at 6:30 pm. Join in an evening of singing Christmas Carols and enjoying special musical selections.

**Birthday Open House:** Pastor Barry & Nicole will be holding an open house on Tuesday, October 30<sup>th</sup>, from 6-7:30pm at the parsonage (512 Taylor Street, Waupun). If October or November is your birthday month, bring your family and stop in to enjoy a treat.

## Congregational Care

**Thank You:** To our family and our church family for all the prayers, cards and comforting words during this difficult time of my mother's passing. Wilbur & Elayne Van Buren and Family.

**Thank You:** We want to thank you for the wonderful hospitality you showed us this past weekend at our Churches Learning Change event. Your welcoming of our group exceeded our expectations and showed us grace. We expected some store-bought granola bars for snacks and what we received were an amazing assortment of homemade treats that were delicious. We had lunch delivered and I quickly set it up and returned back to the groups - however, when we walked back down to the kitchen for lunch we found that our lunch had been set up in an organized and welcoming way. You provided so much more for us than we had imagined and really showed the love of Jesus to us in a tangible way. Your church is a blessing!  
Chad Schuitema, Regional Synod of Mid-America.

## Invitations

**Prayer Seminar:** First Reformed Church of Friesland will host "A Praying Life Seminar" on November 16-17. Many of us are quietly defeated in our private prayer lives. We've tried praying but it just doesn't seem to work. In this seminar we will learn step-by-step how to begin a private life of prayer in fellowship with our heavenly Father. Register at [seejesus.net/events](http://seejesus.net/events) by Monday, November 5<sup>th</sup>. Cost is \$10 for materials. Registration forms are also located at the information desk in the entryway.

### **Central Wisconsin Christian School Invitations:**

- The Music Department is gearing up for its debut of our performing groups. The middle school choir and band will perform their concert on Monday, October 15<sup>th</sup>, beginning at 6:30 pm at Randolph Christian School.
- Middle School Forensics Night will be held on Monday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>, starting at 6:00 pm in various classrooms in the middle/high school. The middle school students (grades 5-8) have been working hard learning their Forensic pieces and would love for you to come out and hear them.

**Hymn Sing:** Join us at Alto Reformed Church on Sunday., October 21<sup>st</sup>, at 2:00 pm for a hymn sing. Bring your requests and join us as we worship in song. There will be a special offering designated for REACH Waupun.

**Welch Hymn Sing:** The 74<sup>th</sup> Annual Gymanfa Ganu (Welch Hymn Singing) at Cambria First Presbyterian Church (121 W. Florence Street, Cambria) will be held on October 14<sup>th</sup> with sessions at 2:30 pm and 6:00 pm. Supper will be served between the sessions. The director will be Jay Williams, III from New York. The church is fully accessible.

**Chili Festival:** Emanuel Lutheran Church (107 S. Prairie Street, Brandon) will hold a Chili Festival and Bake Sale on Sunday, October 28<sup>th</sup>, from 11:00 am - 2:00 pm.

**Fall Festival:** St. Joseph's Catholic Church will hold its annual Fall Festival on Sunday, October 28<sup>th</sup>, in the Parish Center (26 N. Division Street, Waupun). Serving will be from 11:00 am - 2:00 pm.