

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 with our community. (Matthew 28:18-20)

First Reformed Church

November 3, 2019

A sincere welcome to all who have come to worship.
May the incomparable blessings that come from God alone touch each of us.
*Praise the Lord. How good it is to sing praises to our God,
how pleasant and fitting to praise him! (Psalm 147:1)*

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 (November 3)</u>	<u>Next Week (November 10)</u>
Greeters	Waunita Schlom	Gary & Jan Beek
Ushers	Chase Van Buren Gage Van Buren Paige Van Buren	Jeff Freriks Jordan Hopp Clayton Jahns
Door Greeters		
Upstairs	Wally Beekman	Howard Loomans
Downstairs East Door	Gary & Jan Beek	Ray Freriks
Nursery	Lori Flier Josie Williamson	Becky De Vries Paige Van Buren
Elders Greeting	Keith Jansma Jerry Riel Larry Navis	Steve Perry BJ DeMaa Ron Schaalma
Soundboard	John Nyhuis	Howard Loomans
Power Point	Kelley Van Buren	Amanda and Ryan De Vries

November Schedules

Hospital: Wayne Tavs

Flowers: Ellen Decker

Library: Donna Freriks

Opportunities This Week

Sunday (November 3):

Pre-Service Fellowship: 8:15 - 9:00 am in the Chapel. Homemade donuts and a variety of coffees will be served. Bring your travel mug if you wish!

Prayer Time: Meet in the chapel area by the grandfather clock at 8:45 am for a short time of prayer with Pastor Barry before the worship service.

Sunday School: 10:15 - 11:00 am

- ◆ 3 year olds - 2nd Grade downstairs in the Worship Center Room
- ◆ 3rd - 5th Grade downstairs in the Triple Room
- ◆ 6th - 12th Grade upstairs in the Youth Room
- ◆ Adults upstairs in the Consistory Room

Monday:

AIM: 9:00 am - noon in the Triple Room. Join us as we make quilts for missions.

Tuesday:

Sacraments Requests: If you are interested in requesting baptism, confession of faith or any other membership changes, please meet in Pastor Barry's office at 6:15 pm.

Consistory Meeting: Elders and Deacons will meet separately at 6:30 pm. Full Consistory will meet at 7:30 pm in the Consistory Room.

Wednesday:

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

Awana: This week's theme is OBEDIENCE NIGHT! Let's see how trained dogs are at obeying their trainers and how we can obey God and our parents. (There is no need for Clubbers to wear or bring anything special - just bring their good behavior.)

- ◆ Cubbies meet 6:00 - 7:00 pm downstairs in the Preschool Rooms
- ◆ Grades K-5 meets 5:45 - 7:30 pm in Fellowship Hall

Jr. High Youth Group: 6:00 - 7:30 pm in the Youth Room for Grades 6 - 8.

Sr. High Youth Group: 7:30 - 9:00 pm in the Youth Room for Grades 9 - 12.

Adult Choir Practice: 7:15 - 8:15 pm in the sanctuary.

Thursday:

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

Saturday:

Men's' Huddle: 7:00 am at Helen's Kitchen.

Sunday (November 10):

Caring & Sharing Team Meeting: 8:30 am in the Consistory Room.

Ladies Bible Study: 6:00 pm in the Chapel. All women are invited to attend!

Worship Service

International Day of Prayer for the Persecuted Church

November 3, 2019

9:00 am

Prelude: Mary Navis

Call to Worship

*Praise Song: Here I Am to Worship (led by Sarah Lemmenes and Family)

Prayer

Mission Moment: Pastor Simon Muntolol

Ministry of Music: Jon Schmaltz - I Pledge Allegiance to the Lamb

Scripture: Revelation 3:14-22 (page 1917)

Message: The Seven Churches: Laodicea

*Song #563: Open My Eyes That I May See

Prayer

Offering

Announcement

*Benediction

*Song #151: A Mighty Fortress Is Our God (verses 1 & 4)

*Postlude: Mary Navis

*Please stand if you are able.

Church Contact Information

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Congregational News

Children's Sunday School Christmas Program will be held during the morning worship service on December 15th. We would love for all Sunday School kids, ages 3 years old - 5th grade, to be a part of this program, or if you would like to help with the planning and preparing. **Please let Kari know if you are able to be a part of this year's Christmas program no later than TODAY, November 3, 2019**, by email at kari@firstreformedwaupun.com or phone at 324-2321.

Next Sunday: Eric Lammers will be leading our worship service next Sunday, as Pastor Barry will be attending professional development.

Congregational Meeting: The Annual Congregational Meeting will be held on Sunday, November 17th, following the worship service. At the meeting, there will be elections for elders and deacons, as well as approval of the 2020 Budget.

Food Pantry: First Reformed donated 26 pounds of food to the Waupun Food Pantry. Items needed at this time are: bar soap, soup, macaroni and cheese, Hamburger Helper, and pancake mix. Donated items can be placed in the box in the upstairs coat room.

Christmas Carol Sing: First Reformed will be hosting their annual Christmas Carol Sing on Sunday, December 8, at 6:00 pm. Join in an evening of singing Christmas Carols and enjoying a variety of special musical selections, including the Waupun High School Choir. There will be a freewill offering to support the Access for Recess adaptive playground at Meadow View Primary School in Waupun.

Christmas Carol Sing Posters: Posters for the upcoming Christmas Carol Sing are available in the entryway. Please help promote this event by taking one or more to display at your place of work or at an area business.

Open Staff Position: We are looking for someone who might be interested in being a part-time janitor here at First. Contact the office at 324-2321 or office@firstreformedwaupun.com and let us know if you are interested. We would be glad to get you the details.

Missing Children's Activity Bag: One of the children's activity bags is missing. If you should know where it is, could you please return it to the rack at the back of the sanctuary or to the church office. Thank you.

Operation Christmas Child: First Reformed is participating in Operation Christmas Child. You can pack a shoebox, which are located in the entryway (or use a plastic shoebox-sized container), with school items, small toys, etc. and return it to church by Sunday, November 17th. The boxes will then be delivered to needy children around the world through Samaritan's Purse. A box label (which are located in the entryway) must accompany each box.

Time of Fellowship: Thank you so much to those who have volunteered to help serve for fellowship time. Please consider serving on a Sunday that fits your schedule. Currently the weeks of November 10, November 24 and into December are open. All supplies are provided and with the addition of the refrigerator and larger sink there is no need to have to go downstairs. Many people enjoy this time of fellowship following the worship service.

Thanksgiving Eve Worship Service

Wednesday, November 27, at 7:00 pm

You have an opportunity to participate in a couple of different ways:

1. During the service, we will highlight what we are thankful to God for. If you have any videos or pictures that highlight what you are thankful for, you can drop them off with Pastor Barry or email them to pastorbarry@firstreformedwaupun.com by Sunday, November 24th.
2. You will have the opportunity to participate during the Thanksgiving Service by using the text feature on your phone. So, please bring your phone. If you don't text, we will have an alternative way for you to participate that night.

Congregational Care

Thank You: Thank you to all those who visited, sent cards, prayed for me, or brought food after my surgery. What a blessing to have such a wonderful church family. Judy De Vries.

Be a Missionary Where You Live

Support our church-wide mission by being a missionary where you live. In 2019, members of our church shared in building relationships with participants at the Community Table. Several members visited the Community Table on a regular basis to listen to and support people attending while enjoying a delicious meal. Other members attended a Bible Study every Wednesday from 2:00—3:00 and the social time following that. The Bible Study has a real blessing to our members and they in turn did their best to bless others as well.

As relationships grew, we found out that the community members had interest in other opportunities as well. For instance, two more Bible studies, a food preparation group and a Bingo fun night are currently in progress with leaders coming forward. There has also been an interest in the following opportunities: crafts, canning, book club and gardening. Currently, we do not have leaders for these small group interest areas. If you have an interest in leading or facilitating any of these, see Ron Schaalma or anyone from the MOVE Team. You will receive more information on these opportunities on Sunday, November 17. Please consider serving!

The MOVE Team

Be a Part of Awana!

Serving God as an AWANA leader is very rewarding. In addition to regular leaders, we also have need of game assistants, helpers, large group leader and opening activity host during our Club Nights on Wednesdays. If you would like to serve for just part of the night, we welcome you. We want our volunteers to be where they are gifted, most effective, and especially where God wants them.

Join our team of amazing leaders.
First Reformed AWANA is growing!
Be a part of this exciting ministry and lead kids to Christ!
Contact Kari Loomans to volunteer!
We can do it together!

Large Group Leaders: Do you have a talent, hobby or an interesting job that you would like to share with kids? Large group time is a great time to share with kids and show them, in a fun interactive way, how we can learn from the Bible and about God's love for us. Our large group time runs from 7:00-7:30 pm.

Grand Prix/Pine Car Derby: Planning to host a Grand Prix event mid-January or first part of February. Contact Kari Loomans if you would be interested in helping with this type of event.

If any of this opportunity sounds like something you are interested in or need to know more about please contact, Kari Loomans, Awana Ministry Director, by e-mail at kari@firstreformedwaupun.com or by phone 920-324-2321.

Thanks for you consideration!

Invitations

Comedy Café: Youth for Christ's Comedy Café Fundraiser will take place on two nights. The event will be held on Monday, November 4th, at the Fond du Lac High School Commons and on Tuesday, November 5th at The Union in Waupun. Both shows are from 6:30 - 8:45 pm. RSVP at www.badgerandyfc.org or 920-923-1416.

Concert: Want to see a truly spectacular concert full of inspirational video storytelling, beautiful voices and lively African songs? The African Children's Choir will be performing right here in Waupun on Sunday, November 10th, at 6:30 pm at First Christian Reformed Church (10 Bly St.). This is an event you won't want to miss!

Awareness Event: 5-Stones Dodge County, a nonprofit organization engaged in the fight against human trafficking, is hosting an awareness and prevention event on Tuesday, November 12th, at Harvest Church (W7444 Hwy 33, Beaver Dam). Hiding in Plain Sight: Emmy Myers, A Survivor's Story will be presented with refreshments and meet and greet at 5:30 with the program and Q&A at 6:00 pm.

Invitation: An invitation is extended to singles, couples and/or families who are alone or unable to prepare the traditional Thanksgiving Day dinner. Pella Lutheran Church of Waupun is hosting their 30th Annual Thanksgiving Day Dinner on Thursday, November 28th, at noon. There is no charge but please RSVP to Lora Huizenga at 324-3321. Transportation in Waupun is also available.

Central Wisconsin Christian School Invitations:

- The CWC High School Drama Club will present a comedy double feature on November 7 - 9 at 6:30 pm. First enjoy Bestest Bedtime Stories, where fairy tale actors try to keep up with Grandpa's silly version of the details. Then enjoy Every US Election Ever - a modern satire of American politics from George Washington to Donald Trump. Contact the CWC office or at 324-4233 for tickets.
- Salute to Veterans Program on Tuesday, November 12th, at 2:00 pm in the Crusader Centre.
- All teens, parents, and community members are invited to a community seminar at Waupun Jr./Sr. High School at 6:00 pm on November 14th. Headlining national speakers and musician, Nicholas Raymond, will lead a dynamic talk helping our community ignite a conversation around important topics such as bullying and suicide prevention thru a powerful approach that helps to save lives. Rise Together is a non-profit that is on a mission to prevent addiction by educating, engaging and empowering youth to use their voice for change, breaking the silence around addiction and mental health. For more information visit: www.weallrisetogether.org.