

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

January 5, 2020

A sincere welcome to all who have come to worship.
*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

This Week (January 5)

Next Week (January 12)

Greeters

Rick & Karen Beek

Ed & Jane Van Buren

Ushers

Chase Van Buren
Gage Van Buren
Paige Van Buren

Jeff Freriks
Jordan Hopp
Clayton Jahns

Door Greeters

Upstairs

Elton & Betty Ter Beest

Larry & Mary Navis

Downstairs East Door

Bill & Carol Eichstadt

John Nyhuis

Nursery

Jean Tenpas
Josie Williamson

Liz Scheuers
Gage Van Buren

Elders Greeting

Steve Perry
Mike De Vries
George Scheuers

Ray Freriks
Keith Jansma
Jerry Riel

Soundboard

John Nyhuis

Howard Loomans

Power Point

Kelley Van Buren

Amanda and Ryan De Vries

January Schedules

Hospital: Steve Perry

Flowers: Jane Van Buren

Library: Roxanne Walker

Opportunities This Week

Sunday:

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 in the Consistory Room. Join us as we begin a new series on Prayer.

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, a couple of the elders will be available to meet with you at 6:15 pm in Pastor Barry's office.

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 INSIDE OUT NIGHT! Wear your clothes Inside Out to remind us that God looks at us from the inside out!

- ◆ 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.

Worship Service

January 5, 2020

9:00 am

Prelude: Kim Perry
Call to Worship

Worship Song: Amazing Grace/My Chains Are Gone (led by John De Vries)

Ministry of Music: United Men of Praise - Then I Met the Master

Scripture: 2 Timothy 3:16-4:5 (page 1855)

Message: The Word of God

- a. The Word of God is our final authority in all matters of faith and practice.
(John 1:1; 2 Timothy 3:16-17; Matthew 4:4)

*Song #184: Thy Word

Ordination and Installation of Deacons and Elders

Deacons: Adam Lemmenes and Wilbur Van Buren

Elders: Mike De Vries and George Scheuers

Prayer

Offering

Offertory: United Men of Praise - Down to the River to Pray

Announcements/Camp Manitoqua Video

*Benediction

*Song #408: How Firm a Foundation (verses 1 & 4)

*Postlude: Kim Perry

*Please stand as you are able.

Church Contact Information

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Congregational News

RCA Discussion: There will be discussion meeting about the future of the RCA on Tuesday, January 14th, from 6:30 - 7:30 pm in the Triple Room. (Note: This meeting will contain the same information presented at the discussion meeting held on December 10th.) Following this meeting, we will get the information up on our website for those that could not make it to either meeting.

Fellowship Time: Enjoying some refreshments following the worship service is a special time of fellowship each week for our church family and visitors. If you would be available to help with serving the drinks and cookies, please sign-up in the entryway for a week that fits your schedule. All supplies are provided. Currently, the weeks of January 12, 19 and 26 and into February are open. If you have any questions of what is involved with serving, please contact the church office.

New Adult Sunday School Class: Plans are being made for studies to encourage and enlighten in the early weeks of 2020. Initially, starting January 5th, we will focus on prayer. What better way to recharge for the New Year God has given us than to be refreshed in our prayer lives? Then for several weeks, we will be using Laura Story's new book *I Give Up*. This study on "the secret to surrendering to God" is sure to guide us into greater faith-structured living. We'd love for you to join us in 2020 - the doors of the Consistory Room classroom are open to all adults who would like to grow and enhance relationships with fellow believers.

Save-The-Date: The consistory has approved the Northwestern College Choir to present a concert here at First Reformed on Sunday, March 1st, as our worship service that morning. Housing will be needed for the choir members on the evening of Saturday, February 29th. Watch upcoming bulletins for further details.

Free Books: There are many free library books across from the church library. You may take as many as you wish. They will be there for two weeks. Thank you, The Library Committee.

Nursery Schedule: A new nursery schedule will be made for the months of February, March and April. If you would like to add your name or remove your name from the volunteer list, please contact the church office at 324-2321 or office@firstreformedwaupun.com by January 19th.

Contributions: If you need verification of your contributions for 2019 taxes, please contact the church office (324-2321) with your **name and envelope number** by January 31, 2020.

2020 Giving Envelopes: The church provides yearly giving envelopes to all members and those who request them. They serve as a regular reminder that giving is part of our obedience to tithe from what we receive. Tithing (10%) also enables God's work to be done through His church. **Be sure to begin using your 2020 envelopes.** Thank you for your support of the church's budget. You are touching the local lives of people and the world beyond. Please check your mailboxes for your 2020 envelopes.

Attention All Treasurers: Please turn in your year-end financial report and books into the office by **Sunday, January 19**, so that the auditors can verify at the end of January.

Congregational Care

Christmas Offering: The Christmas Offering, which was designated to the Dallas & Alisha Davis Family, was \$4,211.00.

Thank You: Thank you to the church for the gift certificate. It is much appreciated. Thank you also for the Christmas cards and all the visitors that came to see me. Mary Hartgerink.

Invitations

Conference: ONE Waupun will host a free half-day conference to wrestle with how God will use us to make the gospel more prevalent in our lives while reaching those in our community who are not actively following Jesus Christ. The conference includes a powerful video message from Francis Chan and David Platt, a time of praise and worship, a meal and snacks and lots of fellowship and prayer. The conference is offered on two separate dates - Saturday, January 18th, 8:00 am - 12:30 pm and Sunday, January 26th, 2:00 - 6:30 pm - held at ONE Waupun Facility at W7185 Highway 49. Please RSVP at www.onewaupun.com/emerge or call 920-382-5559.

Waupun Public Library Programs: (held at the library at 123 S. Forest Street, Waupun)

- **Tech Day:** January 7 from 10:00 am - 12:00 pm and 1:00 - 3:00 pm. This is an open-house style drop-in event. Bring your electronic device you need assistance with (phone, tablet, laptop) and the library staff will guide you with troubleshooting or operation.
- **Storytime:** January 8 at 11:00 am. Children of any age and ability, along with their caregiver, are invited to join us for short stories, interactive activities and crafts.
- **Lego/Game Night:** January 9 from 4:00 - 8:00 pm. Drop in and play with legos or challenge a friend to a classic board game. All ages welcome; children 5 and under must be accompanied by an adult.