

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

March 15, 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 (March 15)

Next Week (March 22)

Greeters

Dan & Dianne Allen

Hal & Donna Freriks

Ushers

Gary Beek
Randy Flier
Kevin Van Buren

Carter Disbrow
Zander Disbrow
Bill Eichstadt

Door Greeters

Upstairs

Arlen Tenpas

Steve & Kim Perry

Downstairs East Door

Jon & Winky Dobbratz

Ray Freriks

Nursery

Liz Scheuers
Sarah Lemmenes

Katie Flier
Christina Graves

Elders Greeting

George Scheuers
Ray Freriks
Keith Jansma

Jerry Riel
Larry Navis
Steve Perry

Soundboard

BJ DeMaa

Kurt De Vries

Power Point

Katie and Brianna DeMaa

Nicole, Aaron and Austin Lang

March Schedules

Hospital: Keith Jansma

Flowers: Kim Perry

Library: Waunita Schlom

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Opportunities This Week

Sunday:

Get To Know First Class: 10:15 - 11:00 am in Fellowship Hall.

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

Adult Sunday School Class: We will not meet this week.

Tuesday:

Team Meetings:

- ◆ Worship Planning Team - 6:00 pm in the Consistory Room
- ◆ Missions Team - 6:00 pm in the Chapel
- ◆ MOVE Team - 6:30 pm
- ◆ All other teams - 6:30 pm in the Triple Room

Wednesday:

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

Awana Awards Family Night: 5:30 pm in Fellowship Hall for all Awana Clubbers and their families. Enjoy an evening of celebrating the Clubbers' achievements from this past year. Dinner will be served at 5:30 pm followed by an awards ceremony. Clubbers - please wear your uniform vests and shirts.

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.

Choir Practice: 7:15 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

March 15, 2020

9:00 am

Prelude: Kim Perry
Call to Worship

*Opening Song with Bells: Come, Thou Almighty King
Bells will play once thru; Congregation then join in to sing all verses of Song #8

Ministry of Music: Bells - Fairest Lord Jesus

Children's Message

*Praise & Worship Song: Alive and Breathing (led by the Youth)

Reading: Q&A 1: Heidelberg Catechism

Pastor: What is your only comfort in life and in death?

All: That I am not my own, but belong body and soul, in life and in death, to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ. Christ has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood, and has set me free from all the power of the devil. He also watches over me in such a way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven; in fact, all things must work together for my salvation. Because I belong to him, Christ, by his Holy Spirit assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.

Scripture: Titus 1:5-16 (page 1857)

Message: Historical Creeds and Confessions

i. We accept and honor the historical creeds and confessions of the Reformed Church of America. (2 Thessalonians 2:15; Revelation 22:19; Titus 1:9)

CREEDS: Apostles Creed - Nicene Creed - The Creed of Athanasius

CONFESSIONS: Heidelberg Catechism - Belgic Confession - Canons of Dort -
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Song #581: 'Tis so Sweet to Trust in Jesus (verses 1, 2 and 4)

Prayer
Offering

Announcements

Reminder - RightNow Media Video

*Benediction

*Song #237: Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing

*Postlude: Kim Perry

Please stand as you are able

Congregational News

Health Precaution Notice: Until further notice, this church is a handshake-free zone. Please be considerate of others and be sure to wash your hands regularly. If you feel it is too risky to attend a worship service and you would feel safer staying home, please do so. If you would like a CD copy of the worship service, please let the office know and we would be happy to get you a copy. Sermons can also be heard on our website at firstreformedwaupun.com and on WFDL radio on Sunday mornings at 10:30 am.

Nursing Home Notice: The Center for Disease Control has requested that there be no visitors to any nursing homes at this time because the residents are the most vulnerable population to the Coronavirus. Please contact Chaplin Dennis Overlien at the Christian Home (324-9051) if you have any questions. Chaplin Dennis will provide area churches further updates as they are made available.

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 Friday, March 27th. Sign-up in the entryway if you are able to donate items or help serve the meal. The food will need to be to the church kitchen 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.

Community Easter Meal: First Reformed will join other area churches to host a community meal at The Union on April 12th from 5:00 - 6:30 pm. There are sign-up sheets on the information desk listing all the ways you can help - by bringing a food item, helping to set-up, to serve, etc. The goal is to not only provide a meal but for church members to sit and enjoy the meal with community members and unchurched people who will be attending.

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 there are several open weeks in April. 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.

Palm Sunday Breakfast: Come and join us on Palm Sunday, April 5th, for breakfast from 7:30 - 8:45 am. All are invited. If you are able to bring food, we have a sign-up sheet in the entryway. Please bring your food donation on Saturday, April 4th, to the kitchen. If you are bringing a French Toast Bake, you do not need to bake it - just put it in the refrigerator.

Choir Invitation: During the Palm Sunday Worship Service on April 5th, the Choir will be singing Hosanna to the King. If there are any school-aged children (Grades K-12) who would like to sing with the Choir on that Sunday, please contact Karen Beek. The children would need to attend one practice with the Choir on Wednesday, April 1st, at 7:15 pm.

Fun, Food & Fellowship: Sign-up and support our church-wide local mission at the Waupun Community Table (16 S. Mill Street, Waupun) on Friday, April 3rd. Free pizza will be served at 5:30 pm followed by Bingo, Wisconsin Trivia and great fellowship. Prizes will be awarded and everything is free. Last December, at our first event, we had 8 members of our congregation attend. Let's try for 10 this time. All you need to do is sign-up on the sheet found in the entryway. If you have questions, see or call Ron Schaalma.

Mark Your Calendars for VBS 2020! VBS will be held at First Reformed on June 29, June 30 and July 1 from 9:00 - 11:30 am. The theme this year is "Knights of the North Castle".

Opportunities to Serve

See the bulletin announcements on the reverse side for details of how you can serve.

- St. Bens Meal on March 27
- Fun Night at the Community Table on April 3
- Palm Sunday Breakfast at First Reformed on April 5
- Community Easter Meal at The Union on April 12
- Fellowship Time following a worship service

Congregational Care

Thank You: Thank you to everyone who helped with the Northwestern College Choir Concert - host families, soundboard/media technicians, custodians and servers. All of your help was much appreciated.

Updates from the Classis Meeting held on March 10

- ◆ At the Spring Classis meeting we heard an update from someone on the RCA Vision 2020 Team. His update confirmed everything in the last two handouts; no new information was given.
- ◆ The Classis is working on a new exam process for seminary students
- ◆ The Classis will be dispersing excess funds to the churches in the next couple of months

Invitations

Work as Worship Retreat: On May 16th, you are invited to join hundreds of churches and organizations worldwide that will each host the Work as Worship Retreat livestream in partnership with RightNow Media. This is a one-day gathering to help people break down the wall between Sunday and the rest of the week. We will hear from industry-leading speakers like John Maxwell, Louie Giglio, Jon Acuff and others - so mark your calendars. If you want to grow in your faith and learn how your work can be an act of worship, we invite you to attend. To learn more about the event or to register for it, go to www.onewaupun.com and click on the Work as Worship link at the top of the page. Invite your friends, family, coworkers and neighbors to attend this one-day event with you.