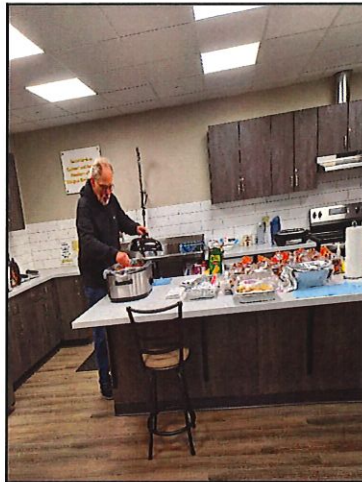


# First Reformed Church

March 16, 2025



For the past three Fridays, First Reformed has provided and served  
a meal at the Community Table.

Thank you to everyone who made this possible!

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9:00 am

### **Worship Service & Sunday School Volunteers**

	<b><u>This Week (March 16)</u></b>	<b><u>Next Week (March 23)</u></b>
<b>Soundboard</b>	BJ DeMaa	Kurt De Vries
<b>Power Point</b>	Katie and Brianna DeMaa	Nicole and Austin Lang
<b>Greeters</b>	Keith & Cheri Jansma	Henri Raith
<b>Elders Greeting</b>	Steve Towne Ron Schaalma Elton Ter Beest	Mike De Vries Jon Schmaltz Ray Freriks

### **March Schedules**

**Hospital:** Ray Freriks  
**Flowers:** Becky De Vries  
**Library:** Waunita Schlom

## **Opportunities This Week**

### **Sunday:**

**Sunday School:** 10:30 - 11:00 am.

- ◆ Children's Sunday School (ages 3 years old - 5<sup>th</sup> Grade): Meets downstairs in the Triple Room.
- ◆ Middle School/High School (Grades 6-12): Meets upstairs in the Youth Room.
- ◆ Adults: Meets in the Council Room.

### **Monday:**

**AIM:** 9:00 am - noon in the lower Triple Room. All are invited to join us as we make quilts for missions.

**Bell Choir Rehearsal:** 7:00 pm in the sanctuary.

### **Tuesday:**

**VBS Planning Meeting:** 6:00 pm in the Chapel. See the bulletin insert for details.

**Worship Planning Team Meeting:** 6:00 pm in the Council Room.

### **Wednesday:**

**XYZ:** 9:30 - 10:30 am in the Council Room.

**Awana:** For ages 3 years old thru 5<sup>th</sup> Grade in Fellowship Hall. This week's theme is CUDDLY CREATURE (bring your favorite stuffed animal)!

- ◆ Cubbies (ages 3 years - PreK) meet 6:00 - 7:00 pm.
- ◆ Grades K-5 meets 6:00 - 7:30 pm

**Middle School Youth Group:** 5:30 - 7:00 pm in the Youth Room.

**High School Youth Group:** 7:00 - 8:30 pm in the Youth Room

**Choir Practice:** 6:00 pm in the sanctuary.

### **Saturday:**

**Men's Huddle:** 7:00 am at the Main Street Bistro. All men are invited to attend this time of Bible Study and Fellowship.

## Congregational News

**Adult Sunday School:** This week (March 16) we will view the final episode of The Chosen, Season 4. These portrayals of Jesus' early ministry have deepened our awareness of the culture and events found in the Gospels. On Sunday, March 23, we will begin a study of Jesus' last week by using a "Life Guide Bible Studies" booklet. These booklets will be available for anyone, and distributed this Sunday. Please join us in the Council Room.

**Good Friday Worship:** The Worship Planning Team is planning a Good Friday Worship service which will be held on Friday, April 18, at 6:00 pm. (There will not be a Maundy Thursday worship service). The Lord's Supper will be served.

**Financial Report Available:** The 2024 Financial Report is available at the information desk .

**Youth Group Need:** Each Wednesday, the Youth Groups enjoy some pizza as they gather together. If you are able to donate some pizzas, bottled water or 12-packs of soda to the youth please drop them off in the Youth Room. The number of students attending Youth Group has been increasing, so this is greatly appreciated!

**Sunday Coffee:** The Sunday Coffee Committee would like to invite members of First Reformed to participate in our Sunday morning coffee time. If you would like to help with making something to share or preparing or serving coffee, we would love to offer you that opportunity. You can do any one of these things or all three, whatever you would like to do. You can sign-up at the information desk for a Sunday that fits your schedule. If you need help, please ask! It is the goal of our committee to be self-sufficient, not depending on the church for financial assistance. The Coffee Committee members are Lori Lemmenes, Vicki Ritzema, Selma Klapper and Sue Straks. Thanks in advance for your help!

**Church Fun Day:** The church will be going to see "High Road" on Wednesday, October 1, at the Fireside. See the bulletin insert for details.

**Winter Weather:** If church activities need to be canceled due to weather, the announcement will be made in the following ways: First Reformed's website and Facebook page, an email will be sent to the congregation, Radio Stations WFDL (AM 1170) and WBEV FM 95.3), and a voicemail message on the church office phone. On Wednesdays, if Waupun Schools have a late start, FRC evening activities will still meet. If Waupun Schools are closed for the day, have an early release or cancel after-school activities, all Wednesday evening church activities will be canceled.

**Walkers:** If you enjoy walking or if you're recovering from surgery and need to do some walking but don't enjoy walking outside during the winter months, you are welcome to walk here in the warmth of the church. You can walk in the sanctuary, Fellowship Hall, or any of the hallways to get in some exercise. Typically the church is open Monday through Thursday 8:30 - 2:00.

## **Congregational Care**

**Thank You:** A big thank you goes to Robert Kikkert, Jean Tenpas, Becky De Vries, Diane Posthuma, Waunita Schlom and Jon & Winky Dobbratz for their assistance in preparing and serving more than 240 meals for the Community Table over the last 3 weeks. A big thank you also goes to the Women's Ministries for donating \$100.00 for food. Additionally, we'd like to thank over 25 people who unselfishly donated food items in order to make this possible. Together First Reformed created an atmosphere for wonderful food and fellowship. God bless all of you!

**Thank You:** Thanks to Ron Schaalma for all the great and hard work he did for the Community Table to collect the food and prepare it. Work well done!

## **Invitations**

**Community Prayer Service:** Join in an evening of prayer and worship on Sunday, March 16, at 7:00 pm at Alto Reformed Church (N3697 Cty Rd EE, Waupun).

**Men's Chorus Program:** The Alto Reformed Church Men's Chorus Program will be held on Sunday, April 6, at 7:00 pm at Alto Reformed Church (N3697 County Road EE, Waupun).

**Save the Date:** Youth For Christ will hold a fundraising luncheon "Be the Story" on May 1 from noon - 1:00 pm at The Rock Golf Club in Waupun. Come hear stories of change, lives touched, and all that God is doing through Youth for Christ to transform lives of the teens in our community. Call 920-923-1416 or email [ron@badgerlandyfc.org](mailto:ron@badgerlandyfc.org) to register.

**Caregivers Class:** ADRC of Fond du Lac County is hosting "Powerful Tools for Caregivers class at the Waupun Community Center. This 6-week class meets on Thursdays, starting May 1, from 5:00 - 6:30 pm. This educational program is designed to help caregivers take care of themselves while caring for a relative or friend. To register call 920-929-3466.

**Central Wisconsin Christian School Events:** 301 Fox Lake Road, Waupun; 920-324-4233

- ◆ The 8th Graders will present "Bedtime Stories (As told by Our Dad) (Who Got Them Wrong) by Ed Monk on Thursday, March 20 at 6:30 pm. You may think you know your fairy tales, but not the way Dad tells them! A free will donation will help offset the costs of the production.

**Library Invitations:** All events are held at the Waupun Library, 123 S. Forest Street, Waupun.

- ◆ March 17 at 6:00 pm: Straw Bale Gardening. Straw bale gardening is simply container gardening using straw bales as the container with a twist. Join Carol Shirk, Dodge County Master Gardener, to learn the procedure to follow for a successful straw bale garden.

## **Worship Service**

March 16, 2025 at 9:00 am

Prelude: Mary Navis

Bells Introit: O Sacred Head, Now Wounded

Call to Worship

Ministry of Music: Bells - Were You There

Lenten Video: Search My Heart

\*Song #151: A Mighty Fortress is Our God (verses 1, 2 & 4)

Children's Message: Roxanne - Power of Helping Others; Children will sing "J-E-S-U-S"

Scripture: Luke 13:22-35 (page 1621)

Message: Sorrow for Jerusalem

\*Song #340: Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus (x2)

March-ing Into Mission: Roxanne - Awaken Kids

Prayer

Announcements

\*Benediction

\*Song #779: I'll Fly Away (verses 1 & 3)

\*Postlude: Mary Navis

\*Please stand as you are able.

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