First Reformed Church

December 21, 2025



Last Sunday the children presented their Christmas Program.

Thank you to everyone involved for making the performance so meaningful.



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Worship Service & Sunday School Volunteers		
1 1	This Week (December 21)	Next Week (December 28)
Soundboard	BJ DeMaa	Kurt De Vries
Power Point	Katie & Brianna De Maa Drew Schumann	Kelley Van Buren
Greeters	Roy & Lori Lemmenes	Mike & Cindy Devries
Elders Greeting	Ron Schaalma Elton Ter Beest Mike De Vries	Jon Schmaltz Ray Freirks Jerry Riel

December Schedules

Hospital: Ron Schaalma Flowers: Jane Van Buren Library: Roxanne Walker

Opportunities This Week

Sunday:

Sunday School: Classes will not be meeting today. Classes will resume January 4.

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Monday:

Bells Rehearsal: 7:00 pm in the Worship Center.

Wednesday:

Christmas Eve Worship: The Christmas Eve Worship service will be held at 6:00 pm. The Christmas offering has been designated to be shared with the Sam Leedle Family and the

Sleep In Heavenly Peace Ministry. Sam lives near Alto and suffered a fall from a roof on his farm and will have ongoing medical expenses. Sleep In Heavenly Peace provides beds and bedding to needy children in our community.

Congregational Care

<u>Thank You:</u> Thank you so much for thinking of me this Christmas with a lovely Poinsettia. It is much appreciated. Rose Schouten

<u>Thank You:</u> We would like to thank the Caring and Sharing Team for the beautiful poinsettia. Your thoughtfulness is appreciated. Wilbur & Elayne Van Buren

Invitations

Candlelight Service: Bethel CRC (410 S. West Street, Waupun) will be hosting its annual Candlelight Service on Sunday, December 21, at 7pm. All are welcome to join us for a night of special music and singing as we prepare our hearts for Christmas!

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

- ◆ January 12th @ 10:00am-5:00 pm: Friends of Waupun Library monthly book sale.
- ♦ January 13th @ 6:00 pm: Craft night! Crafters will complete snowman salt & Pepper shakers.
- ♦ January 14th @ 11:00 am & 6:00 pm: Book Club. If you are interested in joining book club, email Heather at heatheryb@monarchlibraries.org or call her at 920-324-7925
- ♦ January 29th @ 6:00 pm: Create a team and join us for a Jigsaw Puzzle Race. Space limited. Teams can consist of up to 4 members. Call the library at 920-324-7925 to sign up your team today.

Congregational News

Next Sunday: Pastor Barry will be on vacation next week, so Eric Lammers will be leading our service.

AWANA Mission Project: Again this year, Clubbers will be collecting tennis shoes for our Shoes for Belize mission project. This project supports over 100,000 children and families living in Belize. The most needed shoes are toddler sizes 9-13 and regular sizes 1-6. There will be a collection box in the entryway. Money donations are also welcomed. You can write "Belize Mission Project" on your giving envelope. Thank you for supporting our mission!

<u>Prayer Chain Sign-Up:</u> If you wish to be on the 2026 Prayer Chain list, please sign-up in the upstairs coat room by December 21. When your sign-up indicate if you would like to be contacted by phone or if you would like to be contacted by email.

<u>Save the Dates:</u> FRC is already begun planning for Vacation Bible School 2026! We will be hosting Snowball Mountain Challenge on July 13-25 from 9:00—11:30 for children ages 3 to 5th grade! If you are interested in helping, please let Roxanne know! Thank you to those who have already volunteered!

<u>Focus:</u> Articles for the January/February Focus newsletter are due to the church office by Monday, December 22.

Office Hours: Sherry will be out of the office on Monday, December 22nd.

<u>Keys:</u> The Property Committee is in the process of reviewing the rather large list of people that have a church access key. If you no longer have a need for a key, return it to Lori Flier ASAP.

<u>Elevator Door:</u> On Wednesday nights, the door by the elevator will be locked. The purpose is to make sure we are providing the most secure and safe environment for our AWANA children. Thank you for understanding that it is important to keep our children safe while here for AWANA. Sorry for the inconvenience this might cause anyone.

<u>Mission Visit:</u> Ryan & Argene Hull are visiting Waupun. They will have some group drop-in time if you would like to visit with them. The date is Monday, December 22, (8:30 - 10:30 am) at Guth's and (5:30 - 7:30 pm) at Pizza Ranch.

Offering Envelopes Announcement: Your 2026 offering envelopes are placed in your mailboxes. Because yours individual number changes from year to year It is very important that you do not use your new (2026) envelopes in 2025. If anyone was missed and you would like to receive offering envelopes, please contact Lori Flier or the church office at 324-2321

<u>Contributions:</u> December 28th is the final Sunday of 2025 and will be your last opportunity to make a tax deductible gift for the year.

Worship Service

December 21, 2025 9:00 am

Prelude

Announcements

Call to Worship

Advent Candles-Brianna, Brie & BK

Scripture: John 15:12-13 Page: 1677

* Song: #2494 O Come All Ye Faithful

Ministry of Music: Bells-We Three Kings of Orient Are

Scripture: Matthew 1:18-25 Page: 1497

! Message: With Us

* Song: #278 Angels We Have Heard on High

Mission Moment: Ryan Hull

Lord's Supper

Prayer

**Benediction

* Song: #271 Joyful, Joyful, We Adore You

Postlude

* Please stand if you are able

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