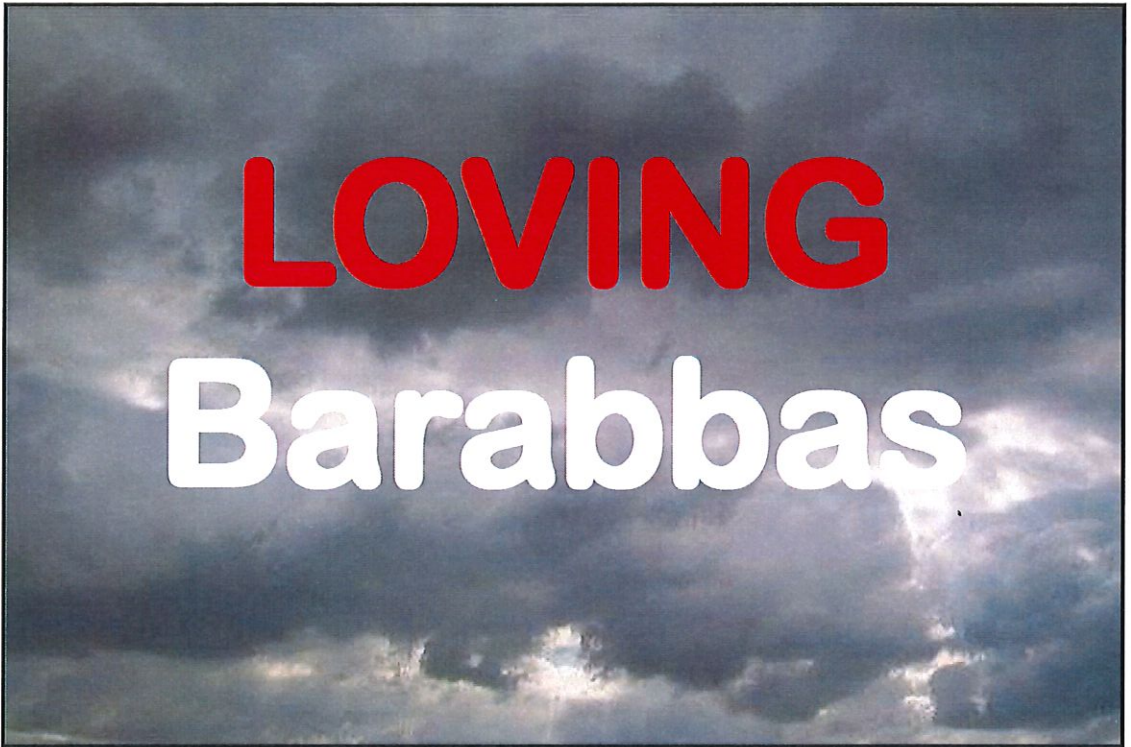


First Reformed Church



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.

First Reformed Church

April 7, 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 (April 7)</u>	<u>Next Week (April 14)</u>
Greeters	Youth Group	Krystle and Chaz Arriens
Ushers	Youth Group	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	Cindy De Vries Amanda De Vries	Jill Schumann Kaylin DeMaa
Elders Greeting	Wayne Tavs Ray Freriks Keith Jansma	Jerry Riel Larry Navis Steve Perry
Soundboard	Kurt De Vries and BJ DeMaa	Howard Loomans
Power Point	Kelley Van Buren	Amanda and Ryan De Vries

Opportunities This Week

Sunday:

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. Class locations are:

- ◆ 3 year olds - 3rd Grade downstairs in the Worship Center Room
- ◆ 4th & 5th Grade in the Triple Room
- ◆ 6th - 8th Grade in the Coffee Room
- ◆ 9th - 12th Grade in the Youth Room
- ◆ Adults in the Consistory Room

Tuesday:

MOVE Team Meeting: 6:30 pm in the Triple Room. (We will not meet on April 16th.)

Wednesday:

XYZ: 9:30 - 10:30 am in the Triple Room. This is our last meeting for the season.

Following our study, we will go to Helen's Kitchen for a time of fellowship.

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

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

Adult 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 - 8:00 am at Helen's Kitchen.

March Schedules

Hospital: Wayne Tavs

Flowers: Carol DeHaan

Library: Waunita Schlom

Youth Service

April 7, 2019

9:00 am

*Praise Song: Jesus, I Believe

Welcome and Opening Prayer - Pastor Barry

Scripture Readings:

Luke 22:47 - Luke 23:1-25 (page 1638)

Skit - Loving Barabbas

**Sermon Jam by Judah Smith

*Praise Songs:

◆ Red Letters

◆ Above All

Youth Group Video - introduced by Kristin Braaksma

Offering

Offering Song: I Wanna Go Back

*Praise Song: Forgiven

*Praise Song: Here's My Heart, Lord - introduced by Kristin Braaksma

Closing Prayer and Benediction by Pastor Barry

*The congregation is invited to stand and join in all Praise Songs.

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Congregational News

Community Table: The Waupun Food Pantry Community Table is in need of some volunteer help. The most pressing need is for 2-3 more people to help coordinate during the Friday meals. We have been very fortunate over the last 7 years to have Ann Hoekstra fill this role weekly. Upon her retirement, we decided to split up the coordinator role so volunteers would only need to serve 1-2 Fridays a month. If this is something that you might be interested in doing, please call Ron Schaalma. It is a great opportunity to serve right here in Waupun. You will be able to meet new people, build relationships, and share your faith. The time commitment on a Friday is roughly from 10:00 am - 2:00 pm. Among other things you would help serve the guests, keep track of numbers served and work with community groups who are bringing the food.

Lenten Coffee Hour: Women's Ministries will host a Lenten Coffee Hour on Tuesday, April 16th, at 9:30 am in Fellowship Hall. All men and women are encouraged to attend and invite their family and friends. Pastor Barry will be the keynote speaker. Special music will be provided by Cheryl Ross accompanied by Jon Schmaltz. A freewill offering will be received for the Waupun Food Pantry. Egg bake, warm fruit, and cinnamon bread will be served. Sign-up in the entryway if you are able to attend or can help serve.

Lenten Coffee Setup: If you are able to help Women's Ministries with setting up for the Lenten Coffee Hour, please meet in Fellowship Hall on Monday, April 15th, at 2:00 pm.

Maundy Thursday Interactive Worship: We will start our evening in the sanctuary but will be moving around to different rooms on the main floor throughout the night. Our hope is to get us all thinking about the events leading up to Jesus' death on the cross. Invite your friends, family and neighbors to join you. The evening will end with the Lord's Supper. The service will be held on Thursday, April 18th, at 7:00 pm.

Community Easter Egg Hunt & Meal: First, Alto & Trinity Reformed Churches are hosting this community event at The Union in Waupun on Sunday, April 21st. The Free Egg Hunt will begin at 5:30 pm and the Free Meal will begin at 6:30 pm. Everyone is invited to attend to enjoy the meal and also sit with other community members and get to know them. If you are able to help with donating food, helping to set-up or serve, please sign-up in the entryway.

Nursery Schedule: A new nursery schedule will be made for the months of May, June and July. 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 April 14th.

Food Pantry Assignments for the Community Table on Friday, April 12th: If you signed up for preparing/serving at the Community Table and/or you signed up for donating food, check your mailboxes today for instructions. Remember, it is possible you signed up but are not asked to serve for this opportunity. If that is the case, we will involve you at the next one on July 26th. If you are assigned but cannot participate or you have questions, call Shirley Hopp.

Sunday School: The last meeting of Sunday School for this season will be April 14th.

Team Meetings: The next team meetings will be held on Tuesday, April 16th. Caring & Sharing and the MOVE Teams will not meet.

Food Pantry: First Reformed donated 35 pounds of items to the Waupun Food Pantry. Items needed at this time are: canned peas, pork & beans, tuna, and gallon-sized baggies. Donated items can be placed in the box in the upstairs coat room.

Congregational Care

Sympathy: Congregational sympathy is extended to the family and friends of Kathy Harmsen who passed away on March 27th. Sympathy is extended to her sister Betsy (Bob) De Motts.

Thank You: We would like to thank our church family for all the prayers, cards, and phone calls we received in the past months while Elton was having chemo treatments. Things are looking good now. He just has to get stronger. Elton & Carol Hopp.

Thank You: Thank you to Pastor Barry and Linda Beekman for coming to see me at Waupun Memorial Hospital and Manor Care Nursing Home in Fond du Lac. Also, thank you to the congregation for the many cards and prayers. Jean Riel.

Invitations

You Are Invited: The Community Table is looking for more people to take part in its weekly food and fellowship. Our church is preparing and serving pancakes/waffles, scrambled eggs, sausages, fresh fruit and drinks on Friday, April 12th, from 11:00 am - 1:00 pm at the Community Table Room located at 12 S. Mill Street (right next to the food pantry). Come down and enjoy a free meal (donations accepted) and get to know some new people. Normally 60-70 people attend, so if you plan on coming please call Ron Schaalma or put a note in his church mailbox indicating who and how many so that we are sure to have enough food. Hope to see you there.

Men's Bible Study Retreat: This one-day retreat will be held at the Green Lake Conference Center on Saturday, May 4th, from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm; lunch and snacks are included for free. This Bible study is based on the movie "Woodlawn", a moving and inspirational film based on the true story of how one community used love and unity to purpose to overcome hate and division in early 1970s. We will see how we can find significance through service, what it means to surrender our lives to Christ, how to deal with trials in our lives and how a legacy is about serving others. This retreat is being organized by a multi-church Bible study in our community. If you are interested in attending, a sign-up sheet is located at the entryway.

Spring Concert: The Christian Home will be holding a Spring Concert & Benefit on Saturday, April 6th, at 6:30 pm at Bethel Christian Reformed Church (410 S. West Street, Waupun). The concert will feature Jon Schmaltz, violinist Addie Jo Lambrecht accompanied by Andy Lambrecht, and the Siegmann Family. The Siegmann family have beautiful family harmonies and a love for bluegrass and acoustic gospel music. A freewill offering will benefit the Christian Home and its residents.

Concert: You are invited to the Alto Men's Chorus Concert on Sunday, April 7th, at 7:00 pm at Alto Reformed Church (N3697 Cty Road EE, Waupun).

Community Awareness Event: 5-Stones will hold an informational event about Fighting the Giant of Sex Trafficking on April 16th at 6:30 pm at Harvest Church (W7444 Hwy 33, Beaver Dam). Learn what trafficking is, why it matters to all of us, what you can do and parenting tips to protect your children. Suggested age to attend is 13 and up.