

# **First Christian Reformed Church**

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***Growing Closer to God  
Through Service & Love***

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First CRC Fulton  
January 21, 2024 - 9:00am  
Sharing the Good News

## **We Gather in Praise and Worship**

**Prelude:** I Believe in Jesus

**Welcome**

**Announcements:**

**Call To Worship:** Pastor Michael

**God's Greeting:** Pastor Michael

**Mutual Greeting**

## **Worship Through Song:**

O Praise the Name

Speak O Lord

## **Congregational Prayer**

## **Offering**

Offertory: For the Cause (New Song for us

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PHuLOdZdq8>)

## **Installation of New Deacons and Elder**

## **Worship in Song:**

Send Me

I Love to the Story

## **We Prepare For & Hear God's Word**

**Scripture:** Jonah 3:1-5:10

<sup>1</sup>*Then the word of the Lord came to Jonah a second time:*

<sup>2</sup>*"Go to the great city of Nineveh and proclaim to it the message I give you."*

<sup>3</sup>Jonah obeyed the word of the Lord and went to Nineveh. Now Nineveh was a very large city; it took three days to go through it. <sup>4</sup>Jonah began by going a day's journey into the city, proclaiming, "Forty more days and Nineveh will be overthrown." <sup>5</sup>The Ninevites believed God. A fast was proclaimed, and all of them, from the greatest to the least, put on sackcloth.

<sup>10</sup>When God saw what they did and how they turned from their evil ways, he relented and did not bring on them the destruction he had threatened.

Mark 1:14-20

<sup>14</sup>After John was put in prison, Jesus went into Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God. <sup>15</sup>"The time has come," he said. "The kingdom of God has come near. Repent and believe the good news!"

<sup>16</sup>As Jesus walked beside the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the lake, for they were fishermen. <sup>17</sup>"Come, follow me," Jesus said, "and I will send you out to fish for people." <sup>18</sup>At once they left their nets and followed him.

<sup>19</sup>When he had gone a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John in a boat, preparing their nets.

<sup>20</sup>Without delay he called them, and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men and followed him.

**Sermon:** Sharing the Good News

**Prayer**

**WE DEPART WITH GOD'S BLESSING**

**Parting Song:** New Doxology

**Blessing:** Pastor Michael

## Announcements

**Installation of new Elders and Deacons** will occur Today, Sunday, January 21<sup>st</sup>, during Sunday Service.

**Today is Sanctity of Human Life Sunday.** We partner with The Pregnancy Center in Clinton and are grateful for all the work they do in their work in ministering God's work to preserve the sanctity of human life for moms, dads, the unborn children and the entire family. Please continue to pray for them and the families and lives that they support.

**Food Pantry** This is our scheduled week for donating items to the Fulton Food Pantry. This month the suggested donation is Noodles & Rice.

**Please be very diligent** when reading emails. An email was sent to the church email from "Michael Hooker," however, the email address was not Pastor Michael's email address. These types of emails can appear to be from someone you know but end up being malicious.

**Remember in prayer** our members in care facilities and those that are homebound: Dorothy B, Carroll E, John S, Betty S, Albert W

Please send prayer requests to Pastor Michael at **[mhooke01@gmail.com](mailto:mhooke01@gmail.com)**.

Please send all bulletin information to **[FirstCRCFulton@live.com](mailto:FirstCRCFulton@live.com)** by Thursday at 7:00pm.

### **January Birthdays**

1 Audrey Atherton

1 Angie Vander Eide

4 Joe Vander Eide

4 Jean Medenblik

6 Jamie Wiebenga

15 Bodey Stephenson

15 Mark Dykstra  
21 Fred Phillips

24 Leanna Schipper  
24 Joshua Wiebenga

**January Anniversaries** - 15 Roland & Celia Behrens

### **Deacons' News**

*Please place your offerings in the plates as they are being passed.*

Offerings Today: General Fund & Faith Promise

Next Sunday: General Fund & UCSB

### **Offerings Received 1/7/2024**

#### General Fund

Budget: \$2,042.00

Building Fund: \$346.00

Received: \$1,481.00

Short: \$561.00

### **Community News**

**Camp Greenwood** Summer Camp 2024 is here!

Registration opens on January 1, 2024 with Early Bird

Discounts on opening day. We want to see you and your

family this summer! [https://campgreenwood.org/summer-](https://campgreenwood.org/summer-camp/)

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**Calvin Symposium on Worship** (Feb. 7-9, 2024) - Join us as leaders from churches and worshiping communities of all sizes and settings gather February 7–9, 2024, on the campus of Calvin University & Seminary in Grand Rapids, Michigan, to learn and worship together. The book of Ezekiel will be the preaching focus at the five primary Symposium worship services. In a fractured time for the worldwide church, Ezekiel's messages of judgment and profound hope provide just the word the people of God need. Learn more at [worship.calvin.edu/event-programs/2024-calvin-symposium-on-worship](http://worship.calvin.edu/event-programs/2024-calvin-symposium-on-worship)

**Roseland Christian Ministries fundraiser**--- Join us Saturday, February 24, 2024 from 3pm-6pm at ROW 24 in Chicago. Learn how you can **Walk With Us** as we continue to love our neighbors in Roseland. A silent auction and raffle will be a highlight of the evening. Purchase tickets at <https://roselandchristianministries.yapsody.com/>. Call 773.264.5665 for more information.

**Iron Sharpens Iron 2024** Men's conference will be held in Davenport, IA, on March 2<sup>nd</sup>, or Lemont, IL, on March 16<sup>th</sup>, from 8:30am – 4:00pm. Keynote speakers include Don Davis, Chris Harper, Danny Lopez, and Larry Jackson. For more information visit [FocalPointMinistries.net](http://FocalPointMinistries.net), email [info@focalpointministries.net](mailto:info@focalpointministries.net) or call 563-249-0110.

**Iron Sharpens Iron 2024** Women's conference will be held at Calvary Church in Moline, IL, on Saturday, April 13, 8:30am – 4:00pm. Keynote speakers include Alisha Childers and Rachel Lovingood. For more information call 563-249-0110, visit [FocalPointMinistries.net](http://FocalPointMinistries.net), or email [info@focalpointministries.net](mailto:info@focalpointministries.net).

**Paul's Missionary Journeys in Greece** (May 31 - June 11, 2024): Travel by motor coach (7 days) and cruise ship (3 days) to sites connected with Paul's second and third missionary journeys, as well as visit other major sites of biblical, archaeological, and cultural interest. Jeff Weima, professor at Calvin Theological Seminary and leading Pauline scholar, hosts this inspirational tour. For more information, contact Dr. Weima at 616-328-3110 or [weimje@calvinseminary.edu](mailto:weimje@calvinseminary.edu).

	<b>Today</b>	<b>Next Week</b>
Recorder & Sound	Joe V	David D
Nursery Attendant	Sara D	Amy D
Snack Provider	Ruby D	Virginia S
Server	Lynell B	Virginia S

<b>Weekly Calendar</b>		
Today	Sunday Worship	9:00 am
Tuesday, Jan 23	GEMS & Cadets	6:30 pm
Thursday, Jan 25	Elders Meeting	6:00 pm
	Deacons Meeting	6:30 pm
	Council Meeting	6:45 pm