

First Christian Reformed Church

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

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First CRC Fulton

October 27, 2024 - 9:00am

Our High Priest ~ Human and Heavenly

We Gather in Praise and Worship

Welcome: Rollie

Announcements: Rollie

Prelude: Song Requests

Wholehearted Thanksgiving

O Lord my God Most Earnestly

God Himself is With Us

I Love to tell the Story

Call To Worship: Psalm 47:5-9 Responsive reading

Leader: God has ascended amid shouts of joy,
the Lord amid the sounding of trumpets.

**All: Sing praises to God, sing praises;
sing praises to our King, sing praises.**

Leader: For God is the King of all the earth; sing to him a psalm of praise. God reigns over the nations; God is seated on his holy throne.

All: The nobles of the nations assemble as the people of the God of Abraham, for the kings of the earth belong to God; he is greatly exalted!

God's Greeting: Pastor Byker

Mutual Greeting

Worship Through Song:

It is Good to Sing Thy Praises

Because He Lives

Great is Thy Faithfulness

Congregational Prayer: Angie V

Offeratory: Bodey S

Offering: General Fund & Faith Promise

Worship in Song:

Rock of Ages

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!

We Prepare For & Hear God's Word

Scripture: Hebrews 7:23-28

²³Now there have been many of those priests, since death prevented them from continuing in office; ²⁴but because Jesus lives forever, he has a permanent priesthood.

²⁵Therefore he is able to save completely those who come to God through him, because he always lives to intercede for them. ²⁶Such a high priest truly meets our need—one who is holy, blameless, pure, set apart from sinners, exalted above the heavens. ²⁷Unlike the other high priests, he does not need to offer sacrifices day after day, first for his own sins, and then for the sins of the people. He sacrificed for their sins once for all when he offered himself. ²⁸For the law appoints as high priests men in all their weakness; but the oath, which came after the law, appointed the Son, who has been made perfect forever.

Sermon: Our High Priest ~ Human and Heavenly- Pastor Byker

Prayer

WE DEPART WITH GOD'S BLESSING

Parting Song: Go Now In Peace

Blessing: Pastor Byker

Announcements

We welcome Pastor Byker to join us in worship this morning. Thank you for sharing God's word with us. May we all be blessed and inspired by our time together.

Council Nominations will be due soon. Please place your nominations for elders and deacons in the box at the back of the sanctuary.

Trunk or Treat will be held in our parking lot on October 31st, from 6-8pm. Decorate your car, truck, RV or tractor! Anything goes! If you would rather donate candy, that would be great! Just put it in the kitchen. It's going to be a fun night getting to know fellow friends in our community!

October is Pastor Appreciation Month! If you have a card or note for Pastor Michael & Alida, you may place them in the basket on the table at the rear of the sanctuary. There will be a basket for our guest pastors, as well.

Blood Drive: First CRC will be hosting our semi-annual blood drive on Wednesday, November 6 from 2:30 – 5 p.m. All blood types are needed, but there is a critical need for Type B-. Last date to donate was 9/11/24. To make an appointment, contact Amy Dykstra at 563-357-8555 or go to https://login.bloodcenter.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/129200. Our sponsor Code 2371

Remember in prayer our members in care facilities or homebound: Carroll E, Albert W

Please send prayer requests to Pastor Michael at **mhooke01@gmail.com**.

Please send *all other bulletin information* to **FirstCRCFulton@live.com** by Thursday at 7:00pm.

October Birthdays

1 Abigail Burns
4 Rylie Dykstra
5 Darla Birks
8 Sarah Wiebenga

9 Tegan Breidenbach
18 Ruby Dykstra
20 Noah Atherton
28 Linda Dykstra
28 Hannah Couch

October Anniversaries

5 Roger & Eileen Frazier

20 David & Brenda Huizenga
27 Andrew & Kelly Dykstra

November Birthdays

9	Jim Dykstra	14	Roger Laborn
10	Edith Schaver	16	Elijah James
13	Hadley Collins	20	Steve Bielema
14	Jon Breidenbach	21	Randy Atherton
14	Roger Dykstra	25	Barb Mathey
		29	Pat Huisenga

November Anniversaries

5	Paul & Sheila Thompson	14	Jim & Linda Dykstra
15	Joe & Beth Caven	20	Rick & Chris Huizenga

Deacons' News

Offerings Received 10/20/24:

General Fund

Budget: \$2,051.62

Faith Promise: \$185.00

Received: \$1,673.85

Short: \$377.77

Offerings Today: General Fund & UCSB

Offerings 11/3/24: General Fund & Building Fund

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

As of October 13th the General fund offerings are running approximately \$12,500 short

CRC News

Living In Hope - Women's Retreat - Come by yourself, with your mom or daughter, or with some friends and spend the weekend (November 1-3) with us at Gull Lake Ministries Center in Hickory Corners, Michigan. Enjoy the beautiful setting as we look at 1 & 2 Thessalonians to explore the theme of Living in Hope. Learn from Pamela Alderman as she leads us Friday and Saturday followed on Sunday by Marisol Cabrera. The weekend will be a wonderful time of learning and growing -- or sign up for the single day option for a quick day away! Details at globalcoffeebreak.org/events

Thrive Faith Formation Tip - Today is Disability Awareness Sunday. First Corinthians 12 describes the church as the body of Christ—a body with many parts that play different roles. As you think about your role within your church or community, which body part(s) do you think you might be? Perhaps you are the eyes and heart, sharing empathy and kindness where you see hardship and struggle. Maybe you are the big toe, providing stability and balance. Are you like blood vessels gifted at connecting and linking others? Thank God for how God made you and how each person in God's kingdom is essential. Brought to you by Thrive: crcna.org/Thrive

Community News

Coat Drive pick up at 1st CRC November 2nd and 9th from 9am – 2pm. Free coats, Sizes 3 - 3X. There will also be some snow pants, sweatshirts, hats and gloves and a very limited number of boots. Items to donate may be dropped off at Bethel Church from 9am – noon, Monday through Friday.

From Stage and Screen Concert Featuring Highland Community College Youth Choir, Chamber Singers, & Royal Scots. Sunday, October 20th, 3pm, at the Ferguson Fine Arts Center, 2998 W Pearl City Rd, Freeport, IL 61032. Tickets available Highland.edu/boxoffice or call 815-599-3718

Fall Instrumental Music Concert featuring the Highland Community College Concert Band and Orchestra, Friday, November 1, 7pm, at the Ferguson Fine Arts Center, 2998 W Pearl City Rd, Freeport, IL 61032. Tickets available Highland.edu/boxoffice or call 815-599-3718

Self-Help Enterprise's Pancake Breakfast Saturday, November 2nd, from 7am – noon at 2300 W LeFevre Rd, Sterling, IL. Free will donation, and the event includes All

you can eat pancakes, 50/50 Raffle, Bake Sale, and Craft & Vendor show.

Paul's Missionary Journeys in Greece (March 28 - April 8, 2025): 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. Contact Dr. Weima at 616-328-3110 or weimje@calvinseminary.edu.

Paul's Missionary Journeys in Turkey and the Seven Churches of Revelation - (May 27 - June 8, 2025) Visit ancient sites connected with Paul's first, second, and third missionary journeys as well as the seven churches to whom John wrote the Book of Revelation. Join Jeff Weima, professor at Calvin Theological Seminary and leading biblical scholar, for this inspirational biblical tour. Contact Dr. Weima at 616-328-3110 or weimje@calvinseminary.edu.

	October 27th	November 3rd
Recorder & Sound	David D	Paul T
Nursery Attendant	Sara B	Celia B
Snack Provider	Mary M	Lori B
Server	Michelle V	Lori B

Weekly Calendar

Today	Sunday Worship	9:00 am
Thursday, Oct 31 st	Trunk or Treat	6:00 pm