

First CRC Fulton

January 1st, 2023

Living Out Our Faith, Wisdom, & Gifts from God

We Gather in Praise and Worship

Prelude: James 1:2-5 - The Corner Room

Welcome

Announcements

Call To Worship

God's Greeting

Mutual Greeting

Worship Through Song:

O Worship The King (v1-2)

He Has Made Me Glad (x2)

Let All Things Now Living (v1-2)

Congregational Prayer

Reading: Responsive Readings of the Law

Leader: What is the great and first commandment?

**People: Love the Lord your God with all your heart
and with all your soul and with all your mind.**

Leader: What is the second commandment like it?

People: Love your neighbor as yourself.

Leader: What does this mean?

People: Love is the fulfilling of the law.

Leader: To what does this call us?

People: To a life of faith working through love.

Worship in Song:

I Have Decided To Follow Jesus (v1-3)

Change My Heart, Oh God (x2)

Make Me A Servant (x2)

We Prepare For & Hear God's Word

Sermon: Living Out Our Faith, Wisdom, & Gifts from
God - Pastor Michael

Prayer

WE DEPART WITH GOD'S BLESSING

Parting Song: Blest Be The Tie That Binds (v1,2)

Blessing: Pastor Michael

Announcements

Church Potluck will be **TODAY** after the service. We will be having soup, sandwiches, and desserts.

If anyone would like to send a sympathy card or note to Todd D's daughter, her address is on the table at the back of the church or email FirstCRCFulton@live.com.

Kay B has retired from Church secretary, as of Thursday, December 8, 2023. We would like to send out a warm, heartfelt thank you for the many years of dedicated service. We appreciate all you have done for us!

Marissa W will be interim secretary and can be reached at FirstCRCFulton@live.com. If you are interested in the open position, please see Pastor Michael or Stacy S.

Congratulations! We extend our congratulations to Mr. & Mrs. Roland and Celia Behrens who will be celebrating their 51st wedding anniversary on January 15th! We thank God for the health and strength he has given to each of you to enable you to be together for this many years!

January Birthdays

1	Audrey Atherton	12	Gloria Wiebenga
1	Angie Vander Eide	15	Bodey Stephenson
4	Joe Vander Eide	21	Fred Phillips
4	Jean Medenblik	24	Leanna Schipper
6	Jamie Wiebenga	24	Joshua Wiebenga
10	Jaron Lutz		

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

Deacons News

Please place your offerings in the plates located on the back table.

	<u>12/25/22</u>
Budget:	\$1,925.52
Received:	<u>\$ 2752.52</u>
Over:	\$827.00

Pregnancy Center:	\$303.00
Building Fund:	\$500.00
Evangelism:	\$500.00

Offerings Today: General Fund - Building Fund

Offerings Next Sunday: General Fund - UCSB

Community News

Iron Sharpens Iron, one-day men's conference, hosted by Focal Point Ministries, will be Saturday, April 1st, 2023, from 8:30am to 4:00pm. The keynote speakers will be Joe Martin and Stephen Kendrick. You can visit FocalPointMinistries.net for more information.

Iron Sharpens Iron, one-day women's conference, hosted by Focal Point Ministries, will be Saturday, April 22nd, 2023, from 8:30am to 4:00pm. The keynote

speakers will be Erin Campbell and Rosalinda Rivera. You can visit FocalPointMinistries.net for more information.

The **Fulton Township** has a medical lending program through which they provide medical equipment to Fulton Township residents, at no cost. They currently have lift chairs, canes, crutches, walkers, shower chairs, and elevated toilet seats, if you know of anybody in need. They greatly appreciate donations and are in need of lift chairs, walkers with seats and brakes, knee scooters, and motorized power chairs and scooters.

Fulton Township is in need of student summer cemetery help, which does require the use of hand mowers to mow the hillsides of the cemetery. Students must be 16 years of age, and the wage is \$13.00 per hour. Interested students should call Mark VanderVinne at 815-631-7859.

Weekly Calendar

Sunday, December 25 th	Sunday Worship New Year's Day Potluck	9:00 am 10:30am
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	Today	Next Sunday
Recorder & Sound	Jon B	Paul T
Nursery Attendant	Amy D	Alida H
Snack Provider	Maxine V	Gayle D
Server	Joan J	Roger D

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