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*Growing Closer to God
Through Service & Love*

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First CRC Fulton
April 26, 2026 - 9:00am
“Givers and Takers”

We Gather in Praise and Worship

Prelude: Goodness of God

Welcome:

Announcements:

Call To Worship: Lynda

L: What has God promised to those who are in Christ?

C: The forgiveness of sins.

The transforming power to make us whole.

The presence of the Holy Spirit.

Peace, joy, comfort, and hope through trials.

Protection, and deliverance from the evil one.

Victory over sin and death.

Provision, for our deepest needs.

Eternal Life, rest, satisfaction, and joy.

That we shall see Him face to face.

God’s Greeting: Pastor Herb

Mutual Greeting

Worship Through Song:

His Mercy Is More

Speak O Lord

Congregational Prayer: Stacy S.

Worship Through Song:

The Lord’s My Shepherd

Lead on Good Shepherd

We Prepare For & Hear God’s Word

Scripture: John 10:1-10 (Pew Bible Pg 1210)

Sermon: “Givers and Takers” – Pastor Herb

WE DEPART WITH GOD'S BLESSING

Parting Song: He Leadeth Me – Brown Hymnal #364

Blessing: Pastor Herb

Announcements

Today we welcome Pastor Herb Schafer. We look forward to worshipping with you today. Thank you for sharing your love and talent with our congregation.

Thank you to Lori B. for your years of keeping the church clean and to Ana T. for taking this task on so Lori can retire.

Blood Drive: First CRC will be hosting our semi-annual blood drive on Wednesday, May 20 from 2:30 – 5 p.m. All blood types are needed, but especially Type O-. To make an appointment, contact Amy (Dykstra) Carroll at 563-357-8555 or https://login.bloodcenter.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/129200. Use Group Code 2371. Last date to donate was 3/25/26.

If you have anything for the Newsletter, please email it with the subject line “Newsletter” by Wednesday, April 29th.

Please send prayer requests to

stacy_stephenson_1980@yahoo.com and *all* bulletin information to **FirstCRCFulton@live.com** and **secretary.fultonfirstcrc@gmail.com** by Thursday at 6p.

Deacons' News

Offerings Received 4/19/26:

Faith Promise: \$168.00

Benevolence: \$1,520.00

General Fund

Budget: \$2,166.00

Received: \$5,165.72

Over: \$2,999.72

Offerings Today: General Fund & UCSB

5/3/2026 Offerings: General Fund & Building Fund

Please place your offering in the plates at the back of the sanctuary.

Community Announcements

Bethel CRC is opening its doors on May 7th from 8 AM to 7 PM for the National Day of Prayer. If you want a space to come and pray for the Church, the Country, the Military, or anything else that God has placed on your heart, please come to Bethel CRC and pray on the National Day of Prayer. We will have people available to show you to the sanctuary, and to pray with you if you wish. We hope to see you there!

Men's breakfast, speaker and worship at the Church of the Open Door in Clinton, 8am, the first Saturday of every month.

CRC News

Thrive Faith Formation Tip – Abuse often thrives in silence and secrecy. This week educate yourself on what healthy relationships and safe church practices look like. Share a resource with a friend or ministry leader. Awareness is one step toward healing, justice, and prevention. Brought to you by Thrive: crcna.org/Thrive

Writers Wanted - The Banner is looking to expand its network of news correspondents - freelance writers paid per story to report on assignments from every corner of the Christian Reformed denomination. If you love stories, are curious to ask church leaders about how and why they do things, and are willing to train and learn, our news editor would love to hear from you: news@thebanner.org. (If you are an experienced writer, all the better! Just mention that in your email.)

	April 26th	May 3rd	May 10th
Pastor	Herb Schafer	Lain Vandermyde	TBA
Sound	David D.	Paul T.	Joe V.
Nursery	Celia B.	Sara B.	Amy C.
Snack	Ruby D.	Beth C.	Ann D.
Server	Lynell B.	Ana T.	Ann D.
Planner	Lynda V.	Beth C.	Brenda A.

Weekly Calendar

Today	Sunday Worship	9:00 am
Tuesday, April 28 th	GEMS & Cadets	6:30 pm