

# First Christian Reformed Church

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*Growing Closer to God  
Through Service & Love*

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First CRC Fulton  
February 11, 2024 - 9:00am  
The U in Tulip

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

**Prelude:** For the Cause

**Welcome**

**Announcements:**

**Call To Worship:** Pastor Michael

**God's Greeting:** Pastor Michael

**Mutual Greeting**

**Worship Through Song:**

This Little Light of Mine

Waymaker

**Congregational Prayer**

**Offering**

**Worship in Song:**

Mighty to Save

Not What My Hands Have Done

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

**Scripture:** 2 Corinthians 4:3-6

*<sup>3</sup>And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. <sup>4</sup>The god of this age has blinded the minds of unbelievers, so that they cannot see the light of the gospel that displays the glory of Christ, who is the image of God.*

*<sup>5</sup>For what we preach is not ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, and ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake. <sup>6</sup>For God, who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," made his light shine in our hearts to give us the light of the knowledge of God's glory displayed in the face of Christ.*

**Sermon:** The U in Tulip

**Prayer**

**Celebration of Communion**

**WE DEPART WITH GOD'S BLESSING**

**Parting Song:** I Saw the Light

**Blessing:** Pastor Michael

**Announcements**

**This morning we celebrate the Lord's Supper.** As we sit around the table of the Lord may we know our sins have been forgiven through His Son, Jesus Christ. Let us celebrate with joy in our hearts.

**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.

## February Birthdays

4 Logan VanderEide	18 Bailey Dykstra
4 Cameron Schaver	19 Wilma Vander Eide
4 Alayna Cornejo	20 Gayle Dykstra
6 Bruce Bielema	20 Landon Dykstra
6 Brooke Santillian	22 Maxine Van Zuiden
10 Amy Dykstra	27 Beth Caven

## February Anniversaries

16 Ray & Connie Wiebenga    27 Randy & Brenda Atherton

## Deacons' News

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

Offerings Today: Ministry Shares & Benevolence

Next Sunday: General Fund & Faith Promise

## Offerings Received 2/4/2024

### General Fund

Budget: \$2,051.62

Building Fund: \$.00

Received: \$

Over: \$

## Community News

**From CRCNA:** On February 11, 2024, we are together celebrating the impact of ministry shares. Ministry shares make it possible for any congregation, of any size, to access the support they need, whenever they need it, without having to worry about costs. They are one way that we, as the body of Christ, show our commitment to each other. They also extend our reach, by making it possible to do more ministry in more places all over the world, by doing it together. This Sunday is our opportunity to say thank you for being part of this covenant relationship. Find resources to mark this special Sunday at [crcna.org/ChurchYear](http://crcna.org/ChurchYear)

## **Unity Christian School Events:**

Thursday, February 15, from 4:30-7:30pm – annual open house and kindergarten round-up on. Current and prospective families are invited to tour the campus, visit classrooms and teachers, and meet with mentor families along with getting information about tuition/financial aid, our TRIP and HEART programs.

Friday, February 23, doors open at 5:30pm, and trivia starts at 6:30pm – the annual Trivia Night supporting our athletic boosters!

Saturday, March 16, from 5-10pm – Gala Auction - our largest event of the year is also our main fundraiser to help keep the school operating and tuition as low as possible. There will be a wonderful dinner, time for fellowship and fun, and some great items to bid on!

**Discovery Center** - 2/13 -- Pizza Hut Fundraiser

2/25 -- *Susie Clark: The Bravest Girl You've Ever Seen*

- Meet the Illustrator: Local Artist Hayle Calvin

3/12 -- Pizza Hut Fundraiser

3/24 -- 36th Annual Omelet Breakfast Fundraiser

**Flood Response in California** - In the wake of extreme flooding and mudslides, World Renew DRS asks for prayer for the Los Angeles, California, community. An atmospheric river event, which transports saturated air to regions as rain or snow, has caused storms leading to “one of the wettest two-day periods in southern California’s record.” So far, the flooding has resulted in 475 mudslides and 390 fallen trees, causing damage to many homes and yards. Pray for the extreme rainfall to cease. Pray for endurance for local leaders and authorities guiding recovery from this event. Pray for families grieving the loss of loved ones from this storm.

**Calvin Symposium on Worship** (Feb. 7-9, 2024) - Join us as leaders from churches and worshipping 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)

**Food and Faith (webinar) Series: 6 Weeks** - Join the 2024 Food and Faith 6-week series of discussions with leaders working in food justice and faith. Topics will include Food and Our Faith; Food, Faith and Farming; Food, Faith and Creating Just Food Systems; Food, Faith and Church Growing Projects; Food, Faith and Sharing with Community; and Food, Faith and Advocacy. Discussions will include congregations in the US who are responding in creative and caring ways because of their faith. Dates: February 8-March 14, Thursday PM (7:30 Eastern, 6:30 Central, 5:30 Mountain, 4:30 Pacific). Register at [worldrenew.net/events](http://worldrenew.net/events). There will be a giveaway at each session, but you must be present online to win! Contact Jodi Koeman at [jkoeman@worldrenew.net](mailto:jkoeman@worldrenew.net).

**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-camp/summer-camp/>

**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).

	<b>Today</b>	<b>Next Week</b>
Recorder & Sound	Joe V	David D
Nursery Attendant	Stacy S	Lynell B
Snack Provider	Potluck	Ann D
Server	Potluck	Ann D

<b>Weekly Calendar</b>		
Today	Sunday Worship	9:00 am
Tues, February 13	GEMS & Cadets	6:30 pm

