First CRC Fulton August 15, 2021 John 6:48-58 Why Communion Bulletin/Leader

Prelude: Remembrance - Matt Maher **Welcome and Call To Worship** - Pastor Michael **Greeting** - Pastor Michael

Invitation to Worship through Song:

My Savior's Love Amazing Love You Are My King In Christ Alone

Reading:

Leader: Praise the Lord, O my soul All: All my inmost being, praise his holy name. Leader: Praise the Lord, O my soul, All: and forget not all his benefits— Leader: who forgives all your sins All: and heals all your diseases, Leader: who redeems your life from the pit All: and crowns you with love and compassion. Leader: Worthy is the Lamb, who was slain, All: to receive power and wealth and wisdom and strength and honor and glory and praise!

Worship through Song:

I Come to the Cross

Congregational Prayer: Pastor Michael

Children's Message: Abby B.

God Speaks to Us Through His Word: John 6:48-58 ⁴⁸I am the bread of life. ⁴⁹Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, yet they died. ⁵⁰But here is the bread that comes down from heaven, which anyone may eat and not die. ⁵¹I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats this bread will live forever. This bread is my flesh, which I will give for the life of the world."

⁵²Then the Jews began to argue sharply among themselves, "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?"

⁵³Jesus said to them, "Very truly I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. ⁵⁴Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise them up at the last day. ⁵⁵For my flesh is real food and my blood is real drink. ⁵⁶Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me, and I in them. ⁵⁷Just as the living Father sent me and I live because of the Father, so the one who feeds on me will live because of me. ⁵⁸This is the bread that came down from heaven. Your ancestors ate manna and died, but whoever feeds on this bread will live forever."

Message: Why Communion - Pastor Michael Hooker

We Depart with God's Blessing

Announcements Parting Song: There is Power in the Blood Blessing: Pastor Michael

Church News

Bethel CRC has invited anyone who would like to join them for a special testimony service from the VanOostens on Aug. 15, 10:30am. All are welcome to join them. We will have our normal Sunday service at 9am, allowing enough time to attend both if desired. Larry & Connie Van Oosten of Erie, Illinois will be sharing their story of being kidnapped from their home and rescued by local law enforcement and the FBI. They have told their story in a newly released book titled, "Rescued for a Reason".

Russ H. will be interviewing the Van Oostens as they talk about their experience and share their faith.

Bernie Vogel is now in Room 111 at The Alverno.

Remember in prayer our members in care facilities and those that are home bound:

Dorothy B	John S	Albert W
Ken B	Betty S	
Jeanette B	Mark S	
Carroll E	Bernie V	

Deacons' News

Please place your offerings in the plates located on the back table. Offering received 8/8/21

Amount budgeted per week:\$1,827.82Amount received:\$1,903.00

Amount over:

\$ 75.18

Benevolence: \$105.00 Offerings today: General Fund-Faith Promise Offerings Next Sunday: General Fund-Ministry Shares

Community News

Spring Valley Reformed Church, 10960 Spring Valley Road, Fulton, IL, please welcome to the outdoor stage on FRIDAY August 13th starting at 5:45PM is our own Mikayla Rose followed with The Browns. Please join us in the Valley for an evening of praise and worship. A free will offering will be taken.

50 Years - Spring Valley Reformed Church, 10960 Spring Valley Road, Fulton, IL is celebrating 50 years of Outdoor Evening Services. On Sunday August 15th at 6PM we will open with our own choir singing. Ken Schaver will share the history of the beginning of our outdoor services. We will also have some previous pastors and church members sharing their memories along with some music by our own talented church members.

We will conclude the evening of celebration with an anniversary cake. Please come and join us for this very special occasion.

Spring Valley Reformed Church, 10960 Spring Valley Road, Fulton, IL, welcomes Anticipation Ministries to the outdoor stage on Sunday August 22nd at 6:00 p.m. Please join us in the Valley for an evening of worship and fellowship. A free will offering will be taken. We will also be serving ice cream sundaes, so don't miss out! Anticipation Ministries is made up of Chris and Erica Himmel and their son Graham and are out of Hannibal, MO. They travel many miles every year, sharing the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Their ministries ultimate goal is leading as many lost souls to Christ as possible. If just one more soul is saved, it would be worth every mile.

On Saturday, September 11, the Let's Get Loud Christian Hip Hop Tour with local artists. DJ3 Nails, Outlaws for the Cross and TC Boyd the Artist. These artists are coming to bring the love of Christ in an upbeat hip hop setting. Music will start at 7:00 p.m. at the Bridge Youth Center-1026 3rd Ave. Fulton, a Love Offering will be taken. Bring lawn chairs/blankets.

Need something to do on August 21? Come to First Reformed Church for their "Back to School" Car, Truck & Motorcycle Show. The show will be from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at 510 15th Ave., Fulton. Lunch will be served by the Riverbend Athletic Boosters.. Participant voting will begin at noon. Trophies will be given out at 2:00 p.m. There is no fee to browse the show. All car show proceeds to benefit the Fulton Schools.

Save The Date – Pro-Life Youth Rally on Wednesday, October 27, 2021 from 6-8:30 p.m. at the Kingdom Life Community Church-11429 Ward Road-Morrison, IL. Sponsored by The Pregnancy Center and the guest youth speaker is David Williams.

Toby Mac Hits Deep Tour – Will be at the Tax Slayer Center in Moline, IL. on Saturday, October 2nd. Tickets:

Tobymac.com. Also includes Tauren Wells, Jordan Feliz, We Are Messengers, Cochren & Co, and Jon Reddick.

Weekly Calendar

Sunday, August 15	Worship Service	9:00 a.m.
Tuesday, August 17	Elders' Meeting Council Meeting	6:00 p.m. 6:45 p.m.

	Today	Next
Sunday		
Recorder &	Paul T.	Joe VE
Sound		
Nursery	Sara B.	Audrey A.
Attendant		
Snack Provider	Brenda A.	Angie V.
Server	Carmen F	Angie V.

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