

First Christian Reformed Church

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*Growing Closer to God
Through Service & Love*

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First CRC Fulton

August 23, 2026 - 9:00am

“Made - Saved - Guides - Provides”

We Gather in Praise and Worship

Prelude: So So Good – YouTube Video

Welcome: Brenda A.

Announcements: Brenda A.

Call To Worship: Brenda A.

L. Praise the Lord! Praise God in his sanctuary;

P. Praise God in his mighty firmament!

L. Praise God for His mighty deeds;

P. Praise God for His exceeding greatness!

L. Praise God with trumpet sound;

P. Praise God with lute and Harper!

L. Praise God with tambourine and dance;

P. Praise God with strings and pipe!

L. Praise God with sounding cymbals;

P. Praise God with loud clashing cymbals!

L. Let everything that breathes Praise the Lord!

P. Praise the Lord!

God's Greeting: Pastor Rich

Mutual Greeting

Worship Through Song:

Old rugged Cross - Praise Hymnal #554

Amazing Grace - Praise Hymnal #293

Congregational Prayer: Brenda A.

Worship Through Song:

Knowing You, Jesus

Power of Your Love

We Prepare For & Hear God's Word

Scripture: Psalm 136 (Pg 708)

Sermon: "Made - Saved - Guides - Provides" – Pastor Rich

WE DEPART WITH GOD'S BLESSING

Blessing: Pastor Rich

Parting Song: How Great Thou Art

Announcements

Today we welcome Pastor Rich Bawinkel. We look forward to worshipping with you today. Thank you for sharing your love and talents with our congregation.

Happy Anniversary to Gayle and Roger Dykstra who will be celebrating their **50TH** wedding anniversary on August 27th! Congratulations on half a century of love and many more to come!

A big thank you from the Fulton Kiwanis club for featuring them for Sunday offering and making a donation to their cause. The card got wet in the mail and the ink washed off, so I'm not exactly sure what it said. 🙄

Please send **prayer requests** to **stacy_stephenson_1980@yahoo.com** and all bulletin information to **FirstCRCFulton@live.com** by Thursday at 6p. If you have anything for the Newsletter, please email it with the subject line "Newsletter" by the last Wednesday of the month.

Birthdays: **August 25** April Prins

Anniversaries: **August 27th** Roger & Gayle Dykstra

Deacons' News

Offerings Received 8/16/26

General Fund

Benevolence: \$173.00

Budget: \$2,166.00

Received: \$727.00

Under: \$1,439.00

Offerings Today: General Fund & UCSB

8/30/2026 Offerings: General Fund & Fulton Food Pantry

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

Community Announcements

Common Bond Quartet will be on the outdoor stage at Spring Valley Reformed Church, 10960 Spring Valley Road, Fulton IL, on Sunday, August 23rd, at 6:00 PM! Come and join us for an evening of praise and worship. A free-will offering will be taken. In case of inclement weather, the concert will be moved indoors.

The Mulkins Family will be on the outdoor stage at Spring Valley Reformed Church, 10960 Spring Valley Road, Fulton IL, on Sunday, August 30th, at 6:00 PM! Come and join us for an evening of praise and worship. A free-will offering will be taken. In case of inclement weather, the concert will be moved indoors.

Bound for the Kingdom Faith, Music, and Community, Friday, September 4th featuring Jon Micah Sumrall, Olivia Lane, Amanda Nolan, Grace Heyvaert, and Saturday, September 5th featuring Ryan Stevenson, Consumed by Fire, Madison Watkins, and Josh & Sarah Furrow. Eventbrite.com for more.

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

CRC News

Thrive Faith Formation Tip – Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., was curious about the racial climate in the United States in the 1960s. Growing up in the segregated South troubled and inspired him for a better vision of an America that lived out the true meaning of its creed that all people are created with equality and dignity. How might the Lord be nudging you to reach out to someone with curiosity this week? What simple act can you do this week to move toward love, unity, and a celebration of diversity? Brought to you by Thrive:
crcna.org/Thrive

	<u>August 23rd</u>	<u>August 30th</u>	<u>September 6th</u>
Pastor	Rich Bawinkle	Ken Renkes	Lain V.
Sound	Joe V.	David D.	Paul T.
Nursery	Stacy S.	Ana T.	Lynell B.
Snack	Brenda A.	Lynda V.	Lori B.
Server	Stacy S.	Marissa W.	Lori B.
Planner	Brenda A.	Lynda V.	Beth C.

<u>Weekly Calendar</u>		
Today	Sunday Worship	9:00 am