

First CRC Fulton

February 5th, 2023

Living Out Our Faith, Going Beyond Hearing



*Everyone should be
quick to listen,
slow to speak
and slow to become angry
James 1:19*

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Weekly Calendar

Sunday, February 5 th	Sunday Worship Kidz Club - Made with ❤️	9:00am 10:30a
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We Gather in Praise and Worship

Prelude: Christ The Sure and Steady Anchor

Welcome

Announcements

Call To Worship: From Psalm 89:

Leader: I will sing of your steadfast love, O LORD,
forever;

**All: With my mouth I will proclaim your faithfulness
to all generations.**

Leader: I declare that your steadfast love is established
forever;

All: Your faithfulness is as firm as the heavens.

Leader: You said, "I have made a covenant with my
chosen one, I have sworn to my servant David: 'I will
establish your descendants forever, and build your
throne for all generations.'"

All: Praise the Lord!

God's Greeting

Leader: The Lord Be with you

All: And Also with you!

Mutual Greeting

Worship Through Song:

I See the Lord

Great Are You Lord

Praise the Lord! Sing Hallelujah!

Congregational Prayer - Pastor Michael

Responsive Prayer:

Leader: Show us the way to fullness of life, Lord Jesus;

All: That our hearts might be filled with joy, hope, and peace;

Leader: That we might respond to opportunities;

All: That we might be strengthened to face challenges;

Leader: That we might become the persons we are called to be;

All: That we might learn to respect our sisters and brothers;

Leader: That we might see the needs of others and give help.

All: Amen.

Worship in Song:

The Power of Your Love

Good, Good Father

We Prepare For & Hear God's Word

Scripture: James 1:19-27 - Listening and Doing

¹⁹My dear brothers and sisters, take note of this: Everyone should be quick to listen, slow to speak and slow to become angry,

²⁰because human anger does not produce the righteousness that God desires. ²¹Therefore, get rid of all moral filth and the evil that is so prevalent and humbly accept the word planted in you, which can save you.

²²Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says. ²³Anyone who listens to the word but does not do what it says is like someone who looks at his face in a mirror ²⁴and, after looking at himself, goes away and immediately forgets what

he looks like. ²⁵But whoever looks intently into the perfect law that gives freedom, and continues in it—not forgetting what they have heard, but doing it—they will be blessed in what they do.

²⁶Those who consider themselves religious and yet do not keep a tight rein on their tongues deceive themselves, and their religion is worthless. ²⁷Religion that God our Father accepts as pure and faultless is this: to look after orphans and widows in their distress and to keep oneself from being polluted by the world.

Sermon: Living Out Our Faith, Going Beyond Hearing -
Pastor Michael

Prayer

WE DEPART WITH GOD’S BLESSING

Parting Song: He is Able

Blessing: Pastor Michael

Announcements

Preparatory Sunday as we look forward to celebrating the sacrament of Holy Communion next Sunday morning. Let us examine our hearts and lives this week as we prepare to come to the Lord’s table.

Kidz Club will be Today after the service. The theme is “Made with Love.” We will be baking cookies and making Valentine’s for our Super Potluck!

Super Potluck Sunday will be on Sunday, February 12th. Bring your favorite “Big Game” dish to pass and a friend to join in praise and fellowship. We will also be enjoying old SuperBowl commercials.

Request for Help- To help Roger & Eileen's daughter after the unexpected loss of her husband of 23 years, contact a deacon or visit <https://givesendgo.com/G6JQV>

Dear Fulton First CRC, Thank you to Pastor Michael for bringing communion. Also thank you to everyone who sent Christmas Cards, Get Well Cards and Birthday Cards, they were all appreciated very much. God Bless you all and continue to pray for me. Love, Leanna Schipper

Have you been heard? Our congregation has a once-in-five-year opportunity to participate in the 2023 CRC denominational survey. This survey helps denominational leadership understand the concerns and needs of local congregations like ours. Please visit crcna.org/survey/2442 to answer the survey by March 31.

February Birthdays

4 Logan VanderEide	19 Wilma Vander Eide
6 Bruce Bielema	20 Gayle Dykstra
6 Brooke Santillian	20 Landon Dykstra
10 Amy Dykstra	22 Maxine Van Zuiden
16 Carroll Eizenga	27 Beth Caven
18 Bailey Dykstra	

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

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

1/29/23

Budget: \$2,042.00

Received: \$1,423.00

Short: \$676.50

Fulton community fund: \$25.00

Offerings Today: General Fund - Building Fund

Next Sunday: General Fund - Benevolence

Unity Christian School Events

*Monday, February 6 - Blood Drive 1:00-5:30pm

*Tuesday, February 7 - Little Hoops and the high school boys' basketball team play beginning at 6:00pm

*Thursday, February 9 - Little Hoops and the junior High girls' basketball play Faith Christian at 5:00pm

*Friday, February 10 - Our junior high girls' basketball team kicks off a fun evening playing Morningstar Academy at 5:00pm, with Little Hoops playing that evening and our alumni/faculty game and cake auction.

*Thursday, February 16 - Open House for Current and Prospective families from 4:30-7:30pm. We will also be hosting a soup supper during that time to benefit our kitchen! (flyer attached)

*Friday, February 24 - Trivia Night (see attached flyer)

Youth Group

We will not meet for Youth Group this Sunday, February 5. Our next meeting will be our Super Bowl Party on Sunday, February 12! We will meet at Jeff and Chris's house at 5:00 until the game is over. Please bring an appetizer to share! We will have pizza rolls, popcorn chicken and cheese dip & chips.

Remember to reserve your spot for SERVE 2023 soon, we have 6 spots left! If you have not paid your \$50.00 registration fee your spot is not reserved. We will hand out the paperwork at Youth Group. Paperwork and registration fees will be due in March.

We are planning a Baked Potato Bar fundraiser for Wednesday, February 15, at Bethel CRC from 4:30-7:00, please do not make plans that evening, we will need everyone's help.

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.

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.

Baby Bottle Boomerang to help The Pregnancy Center with financial assistance is coming up. Please let Marissa know if you would like to participate so we can get baby bottles from The Pregnancy Center.

Biblical Study Tour to Italy (May 22 - June 2, 2023): Visit the Vatican with its Sistine Chapel and St. Peter’s Cathedral; the impressive monuments of ancient Rome; Pompeii and Mt. Vesuvius; Assisi (home of St. Francis); Florence; Ravenna; and St. Mark's Basilica in Venice. Join Jeff Weima, professor at Calvin Theological Seminary and leading biblical scholar, for this inspirational tour. Contact Dr. Weima at 616-328-3110 or weimje@calvinseminary.edu

	Today	Next Sunday
Recorder & Sound	David	Paul
Nursery Attendant	Michelle V	Amy D
Snack Provider	Lori B	Super Potluck
Server	Lori B	Super Potluck