First CRC Fulton May 7th, 2023

We Gather in Praise and Worship

Prelude - My Redeemer Lives

Welcome - Pastor Michael

Announcements

Call to Worship

God's Greeting

Mutual Greeting

Worship Through Song:

Build Your Kingdom Here O How I Love Jesus By Faith

Reading: From CRC Formula for Baptism of Children Leader: Do you promise to love, encourage, and support these children, our brothers and sisters in Christ, by teaching the gospel of God's love, by being an example of Christian faith and character, and by giving the strong support of God's family in fellowship, prayer, and service?

All: We do.

Leader: Do you believe in God, the Father almighty?

All: We believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Leader: Do you believe in Jesus Christ?

All: We believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the

virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended to heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

Leader: Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

All: We believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

Amen.

Congregational Prayer

Worship Through Giving: General Fund & Building Fund Next week: General Fund & Cadets

Worship Through Song:

This is the Day
Lord I need You
He's Got the Whole World in His Hands

We Prepare For & Hear God's Word

Scripture: Mark 10:13-15

¹³People were bringing little children to Jesus for him to place his hands on them, but the disciples rebuked them. ¹⁴When Jesus saw this, he was indignant. He said to them, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these. ¹⁵Truly I tell you,

anyone who will not receive the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it."

Sermon: Generation to Generation: God Loves Children -

Pastor Michael Hooker

Prayer

WE DEPART WITH GOD'S BLESSING

Parting Song: Jesus Loves the Little Children

Blessing: Pastor Michael

Announcements

To allow for timely updating of the bulletin and website, please email <u>Secretary@FultonFirstCRC.com</u> of place information in the "Secretary" mailbox at the back of the church by Thursday at 6:00pm. Thank you!

Let's Celebrate any graduates or celebrations. Please inform Stacy and Marissa of any students graduating or other celebrations we can announce in the bulletin and newsletter.

Save the Date: the next community evangelism event will be held May 7th after the service!

Semi-Annual Blood Drive will be held May 24, 2023, from 3:30 pm to 6:00 pm at 1st CRC. To schedule an appointment please call or text Amy Dykstra at 563-357-8555. Thank you for saving lives!

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

May Birthdays

1 Brad B
4 Jeriann M
5 Doug S
7 Branden R
9 Jonas A
13 Donald H
17 Sam D
21 Ronda P
25 Joe S
25 Joan J

May Anniversaries

18 Doug & Annie S 22 Troy & Brenda B

Deacons News

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

4/30/23

Budget: \$2,042.00 Received: \$5,200.00 Over: \$3,158.00

Ministry Shares:

Offerings Today: General Fund - Building Fund

Next Sunday: General Fund - Cadets

Youth Group

We will not meet this Sunday, May 7, most of our YG members will not be able to come. We know May is a busy month. We will plan to meet on Sunday, May 21 for our next meeting. Enjoy the last couple of weeks of school, see you on the 21st!

Community News

Felix Adler Center - May 8th - 5-7p - Pizza Hut Fundraiser May 17th - Great Give Day Endowment Drive June 17th - 10am - 3pm - Felix Adler Day Family Festival

To close out Dutch Days this weekend, you are all invited to relax and enjoy the annual Dutch Days worship service at Bethel Church on May 7, at 6:00 p.m. The keynote speaker is Jake Ritzema, Associate Pastor at Bethel, 1954 immigrant from The Netherlands, and son of Bert & Patty "The Mother of Dutch Days" Ritzema. He will share memories and God's Words highlighting this year's theme of "Canals, Dikes, & Floods." Following the service you can enjoy some tasty Dutch treats!!!

Biblical Study Tour to Italy (May 22 - June 2, 2023): Join Jeff Weima, professor at Calvin Theological Seminary and leading biblical scholar, for this inspirational tour. Dr. Weima 616-328-3110 weimje@calvinseminary.edu

CRC News

Pray for Synod 2023 - Join believers across the denomination for 40 days of prayer in preparation for Synod 2023. Beginning on April 30 and concluding on June 8, 2023, each day readers will receive a Bible text, a prayer, and some suggested questions for reflection or conversation. All of the prayers are intended to reflect the theme of Synod 2023: Longing to be Like Christ, which is based on Philippians 2:1-11, summarized by verse 5: "In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus." Learn more and sign up at www.crcna.org/longing-to-be-like-christ

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	Today	Next Sunday
Recorder & Sound	David D	Paul T
Nursery Attendant	Sara B	Stacy S
Snack Provider	Sara B	Evangelism
Server	Eric B	Committee

Weekly Calendar		
Sunday, April 30 th	Sunday Worship	9:00 am
	Youth Group	5:30 pm
	Gather at Journey Church	6:30 pm

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