

First CRC Fulton
April 30th, 2023
Jesus in Action

We Gather in Praise and Worship

Prelude - Resurrecting

Welcome - Pastor Michael

Announcements - Pastor Michael

Call to Worship - Pastor Rich

God's Greeting - Pastor Rich

Mutual Greeting

Worship Through Song:

Our God is an Awesome God

Shine, Jesus Shine

The Power of Your Love

Congregational Prayer

Worship Through Giving: General Fund & Ministry Shares

Next week: General Fund & Building Fund

Worship Through Song:

Knowing You

Jesus Messiah

We Prepare For & Hear God's Word

Scripture: Mark 2:1-12

¹A few days later, when Jesus again entered Capernaum, the people heard that he had come home. ²They gathered in such large numbers that there was no room left, not even outside the door, and he preached the word to them. ³Some men came, bringing to him a paralyzed man, carried by four of them. ⁴Since they could not get him to Jesus because of the crowd, they made an opening in the roof above Jesus by digging through it and then lowered the mat the man was lying on. ⁵When Jesus saw their faith, he said to the paralyzed man, "Son, your sins are forgiven."

⁶Now some teachers of the law were sitting there, thinking to themselves, ⁷"Why does this fellow talk like that? He's blaspheming! Who can forgive sins but God alone?" ⁸Immediately Jesus knew in his spirit that this was what they were thinking in their hearts, and he said to them, "Why are you thinking these things? ⁹Which is easier: to say to this paralyzed man, 'Your sins are forgiven,' or to say, 'Get up, take your mat and walk'? ¹⁰But I want you to know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins." So he said to the man, ¹¹"I tell you, get up, take your mat and go home." ¹²He got up, took his mat and walked out in full view of them all. This amazed everyone and they praised God, saying, "We have never seen anything like this!"

Sermon: Jesus in Action - Pastor Rich Bawinkel

Prayer

WE DEPART WITH GOD'S BLESSING

Parting Song: I Stand Amazed at the Presence

Blessing: Pastor Rich

Announcements

To allow for timely updating of the bulletin and website, please email Secretary@FultonFirstCRC.com 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!

April Birthdays

3 Marissa W	17 Eric B
7 Ray W	20 Jeff Z
13 Ryan D	29 Michelle V
15 Jessica S	30 Henry B, Jr.

April Anniversaries

11 Tom & Virginia S	28 Joe & Stacy S
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May Birthdays

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

May Anniversaries

18 Doug & Annie S	22 Troy & Brenda B
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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

Deacons News

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

4/23/23

Budget: \$2,042.00

Received: **\$553.00**

Short: \$1,489.00

UCSB: \$140.00

Offerings Today: General Fund - Ministry Shares

Next Sunday: General Fund - Building Fund

Youth Group

We will have Youth Group this Sunday, April 30, at 1st CRC from 5:30-8:00. We will have snacks! Don't forget your Compassion donation! See you there!

Community News

Gather, prayer and praise will be at Journey Church (1010 13th Ave N in Clinton) tonight, April 30th, 6:30 to 7:30pm.

Felix Adler Center May 1st - 5-8p - Pizza Ranch fundraiser

May 8th - 5-7p - Pizza Hut Fundraiser

June 17th - 10am - 3pm - Felix Adler Day Family Festival

Rescued For A Reason, An unbelievable true story of kidnapping, theft, and the power to overcome, at First Reformed Church on Sunday, April 30th at 9:00 am. For more information call 815-589-2203.

Calvinist Cadets have moved. Their new address is:
4695 44th St SE, Ste B-130, Kentwood, MI 49512.

Voice of Praise invites you to experience “Tribute!” A cantata like you have never heard before, celebrating the powerful music of Geron Davis, at Emmanuel Church, 202 E Morris St in Morrison. Last chance, today, at 7:00 pm.

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

	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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