

# First Christian Reformed Church

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*Growing Closer to God  
Through Service & Love*

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First CRC Fulton  
October 29, 2023 - 9:00am  
Helmets Required

**We Gather in Praise and Worship**

**Prelude:** Brenda

**Welcome**

**Announcements**

**Call To Worship:** Pastor Jake

**God's Greeting:** Pastor Jake

**Mutual Greeting**

**Worship Through Song:**

There is a Fountain

Lead on Oh King Eternal

**Congregational Prayer:** Paul

**Offertory:** General Fund & Ministry Shares

**Worship in Song:**

Shield About Me

Cornerstone

**We Prepare For & Hear God's Word**

**Scripture:** Ephesians 6: 10 - 18

**Sermon:** Helmets Required

**Prayer**

**WE DEPART WITH GOD'S BLESSING**

**Parting Song:** Victory in Jesus

**Blessing:** Pastor Jake

## Announcements

**Arnie and Joyce Tiesman** will be celebrating their 67th wedding anniversary on November 2nd. If you would like to send a card, their address is: 6761 City View Drive Hudsonville, MI. 49426

**Elders and Deacons Nomination** letters have been mailed. Please prayerfully consider God's calling you to serve in this exciting and rewarding capacity.

**November Council meeting** will be November 16<sup>th</sup>.

**Congregational Meeting** will be Sunday, December 3rd, immediately following the service.

**Trunk or Treat** will be held in the church parking lot on Tuesday, October 31st, 6 pm to 8 pm, during Fulton Trick or Treating. All are encouraged to decorate a trunk, hand out candy the night of, or donate candy to the cause. Bethel and Morrison will be invited, as well.

**Free Coat Drive** will be held November 4<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup>, 9am to 2pm. Free coats, sizes 3 to 3x will be available.

**Annual Soup Supper** for our Youth will be November 9<sup>th</sup>, from 4:30 to 7:00pm. The funds raised will help with the cost of local SERVE projects. We need your help with donations of soup (1 gallon of Chicken & Rice, Chili, or Vegetable Beef) and desserts of any kind (Poke cake, Pies etc). We are asking for monetary donations to purchase ground beef for BBQs. The sign-up sheet is in the back of church. Thank you in advance. We will also need help in kitchen with set up, serving, and clean up. If

you can help in any way, please put your name on sign-up sheet and what you can help with!

**Blood Drive:** First CRC will be hosting our semi-annual blood drive on Wednesday, November 15, from 3p - 5:30 p.m. Masks are optional, but appointments are required. All blood types are needed, but there is a critical need for Types B-, O+, and O-. Last date to donate was 9/20/23.

To make an appointment, use Group Code 2371 at [https://login.bloodcenter.org/donor/schedules/drive\\_schedule/120380](https://login.bloodcenter.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/120380) or contact Amy Dykstra at 563-357-8555.

**Pie and Praise** will be held on November 22nd at 6:00pm. We will be inviting Bethel, Morrison, 1st Reformed, and CrossView Churches to join us for a short praise and worship time. Please bring a pie to pass.

**Potluck** - Our next potluck will be December 10th. Test your new holiday recipes on the congregation before making them for your family.

Please send all bulletin information to [\*\*FirstCRCFulton@live.com\*\*](mailto:FirstCRCFulton@live.com) by Thursday at 7:00pm.

**Remember in prayer** our members in care facilities and those that are homebound: Dorothy B, Carroll E, John S, Betty S, Albert W

### **November Birthdays**

9	Jim Dykstra	14	Jon Breidenbach
10	Edith Schaver	14	Roger Dykstra
13	Hadley Collins	14	Roger Laborn

16	Elijah James	21	Randy Atherton
20	Steve Bielema	28	Harlan Tiesman
20	Rebekah Smith	29	Pat Huisenga

### **November Anniversaries**

5	Paul & Sheila Thompson	14	Jim & Linda Dykstra
15	Joe & Beth Caven	20	Rick & Chris Huizenga

### **Deacons' News**

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

Offerings Today: General Fund & Ministry Shares  
 Next Sunday: General Fund & Building Fund

### **Offerings Received 10/22/23**

#### General Fund

Budget: \$2,042.00	UCSB: \$236.00
Received: <u>\$1478.00</u>	
Short: \$564.00	

**Through the month of September, we are approximately \$3,607 under budget for General Fund offerings.**

### **Community News**

**Hunger for a World Where Hunger Does Not Exist!** - No child should know the pain of hunger. Together, we hunger for a world where hunger does not exist! Next week is World Hunger Sunday and through our gifts, we can help World Renew equip communities with the knowledge and resources they need to change the story of hunger. To learn more, visit [www.worldrenew.net/worldhunger](http://www.worldrenew.net/worldhunger)

**Fulton Community Fund** fall mailing campaign has begun. To donate or volunteer, please call city hall at 815-589-2626 or email [FultonCommFund@gmail.com](mailto:FultonCommFund@gmail.com).

**Pancake Breakfast** at Self Help Enterprises on Saturday, November 4<sup>th</sup>, from 7 am until noon at 2300 West LeFevre Road Sterling, IL. Cost is a free will offering. Everyone is welcome to attend!

**From Morrison CRC** - The Morrison CRC will hold its last official service on Sunday, December 24, 2023 at 8:45 a.m. We are in the process of selling our property to Crossroads Church. Continue to lift this process in prayer as we navigate uncharted waters with sadness, but yet with hope and joy as the Crossroads leadership teams are very excited about the opportunities their new home will offer them.

**Felix Adler Children's Discovery Center** Now through Nov 12 - A-MAZE-ing Maze is Open. Nov 10 - Online silent auction opens and closes Nov 20. Nov 19 - Pasta Dinner Fundraiser at Rastrelli's. 11/21 - Pizza Hut Fundraiser. Nov 25, Dec 8, & Dec 17 - Enjoy milk and cookies with Santa. Dec 31 - 11th Annual Family New Year's Eve party.

**The annual Rock River Hospice & Home: Festival of Trees** event, will be November 9-19, 2023, at Northland Mall in Sterling. This event has been a primary source of our annual funding for 30+ years, which allows us the financial freedom to offer top notch hospice services for our patients and their families, with NO medical costs passed onto the families. To volunteering for the event, please visit: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C084FA9A728ABFCC61-44726728-festival>

**35<sup>th</sup> Great Thanksgiving Banquet** will be held at the Victory Center on Wednesday, November 22, at 6:30pm. There will be a free Thanksgiving meal with all the trimmings, door prizes for adults, prizes for children, delicious desserts, singing and fellowship. For more information call 563-242-9016.

**“Away in the Basement”** a church basement ladies Christmas, a hit musical comedy, will be performed at the John and Alice Butler Hall, Heritage Center, at the University of Dubuque on Tuesday, December 5<sup>th</sup>, at 2:00pm. Visit [www.Dbq.edu/heritagecenter](http://www.Dbq.edu/heritagecenter) for more information. Group tickets are \$26 - \$44, call 563-589-3432

**Paul’s Missionary Journeys in Greece** (May 31 - June 11, 2024): Travel by motor coach (7 days) and cruise ship (3 days) to sites connected with Paul’s second and third missionary journeys, as well as visit other major sites of biblical, archaeological, and cultural interest. Jeff Weima, professor at Calvin Theological Seminary and leading Pauline scholar, hosts this inspirational tour. For more information, contact Dr. Weima at [616-328-3110](tel:616-328-3110) or [weimje@calvinseminary.edu](mailto:weimje@calvinseminary.edu).

	<b>Today</b>	<b>Nov 5</b>
Recorder & Sound	Joe V	David
Nursery Attendant	Sara D	Alida
Snack Provider	Virginia	Lynell
Server	Virginia	Lynell

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