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*Growing Closer to God
Through Service & Love*

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First CRC Fulton
September 20, 2026 - 9:00am
“Who's in Your Boat?”

We Gather in Praise and Worship

Prelude: Peace Be Still - Video

Welcome: Bruce B.

Announcements: Bruce B.

Call To Worship: Psalm 124

¹ If the Lord had not been on our side—
let Israel say—

² **if the Lord had not been on our side
when people attacked us,**

³ they would have swallowed us alive
when their anger flared against us;

⁴ **the flood would have engulfed us,
the torrent would have swept over us,**

⁵ the raging waters
would have swept us away.

⁶ **Praise be to the Lord,
who has not let us be torn by their teeth.**

⁷ We have escaped like a bird
from the fowler's snare;
the snare has been broken,
and we have escaped.

⁸ **Our help is in the name of the Lord,
the Maker of heaven and earth.**

God's Greeting: Pastor John

Mutual Greeting

Worship Through Song:

What A Friend We Have In Jesus

Praise To The Lord, The Almighty – Psalter Hymnal #327

Congregational Prayer: Brenda A.

Worship Through Song:

Eye of the Storm

No Longer Slaves

We Prepare For & Hear God's Word

Scripture: Mark 4:35-41 (Pg 1132)

Sermon: "Who's in Your Boat?" – Pastor John

WE DEPART WITH GOD'S BLESSING

Blessing: Pastor John

Parting Song: My Friends May You Grow in Grace

Announcements

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

Thank you to everyone who expressed Happy Birthday wishes and sent cards for my 80th birthday. I enjoyed hearing from everyone. Sincerely, Bonnie Simon

Food Pantry: This is our scheduled week for donating items to the Fulton Food Pantry. This month the suggested donation is Spaghetti & Sauce.

SUNDAY SCHOOL is COMING!

When: September 20th (**TODAY**)

Where: the church basement

Time: 10:05 - 10:35

Who: Children 3-10

For starters, we are trying one Sunday per month to get going. Hopefully there will be enough interest to increase our sessions to 2 times per month (or more, eventually)!

We will eat snacks together, sing a song, listen to a lesson and do a craft! The goal is to help children build Bible confidence and lasting faith!

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: 25 Eileen Frazier

Anniversaries: 20 Fred & Ronda Phillips

Deacons’ News

<u>Offerings Received 9/13/26</u>	<u>General Fund</u>
	Budget: \$2,166.00
Kidz Klub: \$125.00	Received: \$848.00
	Under: \$1,318.00

Offerings Today: General Fund & Faith Promise
9/27/2026 Offerings: General Fund & UCSB
Please place your offering in the plates at the back of the sanctuary.

Community Announcements

Coffee with Kelli Coffee and Conversation with Superintendent Parsons. The purpose of these meetings are to provide local residents with an opportunity to discuss district goals, ask questions, and share concerns with Mrs. Parsons.
Friday, September 25, 7:00 a.m.-9:00a.m. at the District Office

Fall Experience Day for families interested in Christ-centered education will be held Monday, October 19th. This is a great day for students to visit Unity Christian School, meet students, and shadow classes. Our spring event was a huge hit, and many

families commented on how they wished they had inquired about Unity sooner!

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 – In the book Liturgy of the Ordinary (IVP 2016), Tish Harrison Warren writes, “We learn the craft of holiness day by day in the living of a particular life...we are part of God’s big vision and mission—the redemption of all things—through the earthy craft of living out our vocation, hour by hour, task by task. I want to do the big work of the kingdom, but I have to learn to live it out in the small tasks before me.” How might this insight change your perspective on the small tasks of your daily life? Brought to you by Thrive: crcna.org/Thrive

	<u>September 20th</u>	<u>September 27th</u>	<u>October 4th</u>
Pastor	John Byker	Randy Knoll	Lain VanderMyde
Sound	David D.	Paul T.	Joe V.
Nursery	Celia B.	Sara B.	Amy C.
Snack	Beth C.	Ann D.	Amy C.
Server	Ana T.	Ann D.	Amy C.
Planner	Brenda A.	Beth C.	Brenda A.

Weekly Calendar

Today	Sunday Worship	9:00 am
Tuesday	GEMS & Cadets	6:30 pm
Thursday	Elders Meeting	6:00 pm
	Deacons Meeting	6:30 pm
	Council Meeting	6:34 pm