#### **First Christian Reformed Church**

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# First CRC Fulton March 17, 2024 - 9:00am What Does it Profit?

We Gather in Praise and Worship

Prelude: In Christ Alone

Welcome

Announcements: Call To Worship:

God's Greeting: Pastor Byker

**Mutual Greeting** 

## **Worship Through Song:**

Lord Most High Jesus Messiah

## **Congregational Prayer**

# Offering

Offertory: The Lion and the Lamb

# Worship in Song:

Refiners Fire Give Me Jesus

# We Prepare For & Hear God's Word

Scripture: Mark 8:31-38

<sup>31</sup>He then began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests and the teachers of the law, and that he must be killed and after three days rise again. <sup>32</sup>He spoke plainly about this, and Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him.

<sup>33</sup>But when Jesus turned and looked at his disciples, he rebuked Peter. "Get behind me, Satan!" he said. "You do not

have in mind the concerns of God, but merely human concerns."

<sup>34</sup>Then he called the crowd to him along with his disciples and said: "Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. <sup>35</sup>For whoever wants to save their life will lose it, but whoever loses their life for me and for the gospel will save it. <sup>36</sup>What good is it for someone to gain the whole world, yet forfeit their soul? <sup>37</sup>Or what can anyone give in exchange for their soul? <sup>38</sup>If anyone is ashamed of me and my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, the Son of Man will be ashamed of them when he comes in his Father's glory with the holy angels."

**Sermon:** What Does it Profit?

**Prayer** 

## WE DEPART WITH GOD'S BLESSING

Parting Song: Go Now in Peace

**Blessing:** Pastor Byker

#### **Announcements**

**Easter lilies** are now available to order for \$11.00 apiece. Please get your order to Lori Bielema by *today*. Please include who it is in memory of, and who it is from.

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

Please send prayer requests to Pastor Michael at **mhooke01@gmail.com.** 

Please send all bulletin information to **FirstCRCFulton@live.com** by Thursday at 7:00pm.

## **March Birthdays**

| 1  | Ann Dykstra        | 21 John Vander Eide |
|----|--------------------|---------------------|
| 6  | Nicole Bielema     | 22 Arlene Dykstra   |
| 10 | Kraig Schipper     | 25 Evan Atherton    |
| 10 | Carman Funderburgh | 25 Connie Wiebenga  |
| 21 | Lynn Schipper      | 26 Jayson Johnson   |
| 21 | Aaron Vander Eide  | 30 Lori Bielema     |

### **March Anniversaries**

6 John & Angie VanderEide 28 Brad & Staci Behrens 21 Jason & Ashley VanderEide 28 Dale & Edith Schaver

25 Joe & Michelle VanderEide

# **Deacons' News**

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

Offerings Today: General Fund & Faith Promise Offerings 3/24/24: General Fund & UCSB

# Offerings Received 3/10/2024

General Fund

Budget: \$2,051.62 GEMS: \$82.00

Received: \$496.00 Short: \$1,555.62

## **Community News**

**Unity Christian Spring Auction** is coming to an end. Today is the last day of the online auction. Visit https://CharityAuction.bid/HomecomingHoedown.

# **Discovery Center -**

Sun. 3/24 - 9a-1p - 36th Annual Omelet Breakfast Fundraiser Sat. 3/30 -- EGG-stravaganza

**Iron Sharpens Iron 2024** Women's conference will be held at Calvary Church in Moline, IL, on Saturday, April 13, 8:30am – 4:00pm. Keynote speakers include Alisha Childers and Rachel Lovingood. For more information call 563-249-0110, visit FocalPointMinistries.net, or email info@focalpointministries.net.

**Roseland Christian Ministries** invites you to join us at our Spring Banquet, "Songs of Deliverance," on Thursday, April 11, 2024, at Georgios, 8800 West 159th St. in Orland Park. Doors open at 6:30, dinner served at 7 p.m. No tickets will be issued, but reservations are needed. Please restrict guests to high school age and older. Contact Kisha Pleasant @ 773.264.5665 for reservations or more details.

UNREAL Tour is coming to River Church in Clinton, IA on Thursday, April 25, featuring Sanctus Real, Unspoken, and JJ Weeks. General Admission tickets are \$15 in advance! Tickets will go up to \$20 day of the show. We are also offering a VIP meet n greet session with the bands for \$35. Get your tickets before they sell out at: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/unreal-tour-with-sanctus-real-unspoken-and-special-guest-jj-weeks-tickets-854977068427?aff=ebdssbdestsearch

|                   | Today          | March 24 <sup>th</sup> |
|-------------------|----------------|------------------------|
| Recorder & Sound  | Paul T         | Joe V                  |
| Nursery Attendant | Amy D          | Alida H                |
| Snack Provider    | Michelle V     | Gayle D                |
| Server            | Michelle & Joe | Roger D                |

| Weekly Calendar |                |         |  |  |
|-----------------|----------------|---------|--|--|
| Today           | Sunday Worship | 9:00 am |  |  |