First CRC Fulton June 4th, 2023 Generation to Generation

We Gather in Praise and Worship Prelude - Living Hope Welcome - Pastor Michael Announcements Call to Worship God's Greeting Mutual Greeting

Worship Through Song: Oh How Good It Is All The Poor and Powerless Make Me a Blessing

Reading

Congregational Prayer Offering

Worship in Song: Take My Life Make Me A Servant

We Prepare For & Hear God's Word Scriptures: Exodus 22: 22-24 - ²²"Do not take advantage of the widow or the fatherless. ²³If you do and they cry out to me, I will certainly hear their cry. ²⁴My anger will be aroused, and I will kill you with the sword; your wives will become widows and your children fatherless.

John 19:25-27 - ²⁵Near the cross of Jesus stood his mother, his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. ²⁶When Jesus saw his mother there, and the disciple whom he loved standing nearby, he said to her, "Woman, here is your son," ²⁷and to the disciple, "Here is your mother." From that time on, this disciple took her into his home.

Sermon: Generation to Generation: God Loves and Cares for the Widowed and Elderly - Pastor Michael Hooker Prayer

WE DEPART WITH GOD'S BLESSING Parting Song: Doxology Blessing: Pastor Michael

Announcements

Preparatory Sunday as we look forward to celebrating the sacrament of Holy Communion next Sunday morning. Let us examine our hearts and lives this week as we prepare to come to the Lord's table.

Summer Fun is the theme for our potluck next week. After the service we will have games and snacks outside, weather permitting. Please bring your favorite easy summer snack to share. There's a sign-up on the table behind the pews. Funds are available for mission-based projects. Input for ideas would be greatly appreciated. Please speak with any council member for details.

Outdoor Services will begin with our June 11th service and every 2nd Sunday this summer. Service will be followed by fellowship, snacks, and outdoor activities. Please invite your friends!

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

June Birthdays

2	Lauren M	19	Kyley B	
4	Jennifer S	20	Alex B	
16	Roland B	26	Jim B	
18	Tom S	30	Evelyn M	
June Anniversaries		20 H	20 Harlan & Gen T	
18 Steve & Pam B		25 N	fatt & Theresa B	

Deacons News

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

	<u>5/28/23</u>
Budget:	\$2,042.00
Received:	<u>\$565.00</u>
Short:	\$1,477.00

UCSB: \$166.00

Offerings Today: General Fund - Building Fund Next Sunday: General Fund - Benevolence

Youth Group

We will have Youth Group this Sunday, June 4, at First CRC from 5:30-8:00. We only have a few more meetings before our SERVE team leaves for Minnesota, please try to come to YG this week. We will be talking about the SERVE handbook and what to pack. We will also plan our car wash that will be on June 10 from 9:00 - 1:00 at the First CRC parking lot. See you Sunday!

Community News

Hearts of Fire Virtual Event, inspiring testimonies of costly faith from four courageous women is Friday, July 14th, 2023. Go to HeartsEvent.com for more information.

Mission IV Quartet will be at Spring Valley Reformed Church, 10960 Spring Valley Road, Fulton IL, on the outdoor stage on Sunday June 4th at 6:00 PM. Come and join us for an evening of praise and worship. A free will offering will be taken. In case of inclement weather, the concert will be moved indoors. We will be serving Root Beer Floats following the concert. Mission IV is a gospel quartet based out of Stow, Ohio. The Group was established to glorify God and to share a new sound and approach to gospel music. They do this by bringing you brand new songs and fresh arrangements to great old classics while still keeping the integrity of these beloved old songs with rich male vocal harmonies. Mission IV states "We are so excited to bring this awesome music to folks everywhere and share the joy of our salvation in how we communicate these songs."

Anticipation Ministries will be at Spring Valley Reformed Church, 10960 Spring Valley Road, Fulton, IL, on the outdoor stage on Sunday June 11th at 6:00 p.m. Please join us in the Valley for an evening of worship and fellowship. A free will offering will be taken. In case of inclement weather, the concert will be moved indoors. Anticipation Ministries is made up of Chris and Erica Himmel and their son Graham and are out of Hannibal, MO. They travel many miles every year, sharing the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Their ministries ultimate goal is leading as many lost souls to Christ as possible. If just one more soul is saved, it would be worth every mile.

Beyond the Walls, 2023 Center for Missions & Evangelism National Conference, will bring encouragement to church leaders and lay people alike by focusing on what it looks like to do faithfully reformed, outward-facing ministry in an age of adversity. Our speakers will address crucial topics that speak to the mission and identity of the church in a world full of darkness and confusion. Only the gospel of Jesus Christ offers any meaningful hope; and through God's Word and Spirit, the Church continues to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world. Join us at Bethel Church from October 6-7 in Lansing, Illinois, as we seek to grow and learn together. https://www.midamerica.edu/cme/conference

Felix Adler Center Pizza Hut Fundraiser June 5th, 5p - 7p. Felix Adler Day June 17th, 10a - 3p.

Finally Friday will be held at Drive's Park with Food, Live Music from Crooked Cactus, and a beer garden, on June 13, 2023 from 5:30pm - 8:30pm.

	Today	Next Sunday
Recorder & Sound	Joe V	David D
Nursery Attendant	Sara D	Alida H
Snack Provider	Lynda V	Potluck
Server	Carman F	Potluck

Weekly Calendar				
Today	Sunday Worship	9:00 am		

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SPRING VALLEY SUMMER NIGHTS

Church Phone: 815-772-3554 Email: springvallevchurch@gmail.com

Spring Valley Reformed Church 10960 Spring Valley Rd. Fulton, IL 61252

Our Sunday morning worship service starts at 9:30 am with Sunday school starting in the fall.

In case of rain or extreme heat. concerts will be moved indoors. For directions or detailed information on groups, visit our website: www.springvalleychurch.net

For additional information call Randy Venema at 815-499-8843

MAY 2023

Monday, May 29th | Sacred Call Memorial Day Kick-off Dinner at 4:30 pm Concert at 6:00 pm

AUGUST 2023

August 6th | No Worries

- August 13th | Riven Quartet
- August 20th | The Shirah Brothers
- August 27th | The Chitans (F)

All Concerts at 6:00 pm

JUNE 2023

- June 4th | Mission IV Quartet (F)
- June 11th | Anticipation Ministries
- June 18th | Divinity Trio
 - June 25th | GloryWay

JULY 2023

- July 2nd | Alleluia Quartet
- July 9th | The Farm Hands (F)
- July 16th | New Legacy
- July 23rd | The McCloskeys
- July 30th | The Kramers (S)

CHURCH CHURCH SEPTEMBER 2023

- September, 3rd | The Mulkins Family THURSDAY, September, 7th | The Browns
- F = Root Beer Float Night S = Sunday Night Sundaes