# First CRC Fulton February 26, 2023

The Jericho Road, Joshua and Rahab

We Gather in Praise and Worship

**Prelude:** Who You Say I Am

Welcome

**Announcements** 

Call To Worship

Leader: Let us worship God, who has done great things.

All: We rejoice in our God, who made a way through the desert of this world.

Leader: Let us worship God, who has caused streams of mercy to flow in the wasteland.

All: We are the people God has formed through

Christ; we worship him, and we rejoice!

Leader: Let us worship God in spirit and in truth.

All: We praise God for the grace that has saved us.

Alleluia! We rejoice!

**God's Greeting** 

**Mutual Greeting** 

## Worship Through Song:

By Faith How Great is Our God

O How He Loves You and Me

**Reading:** From Hebrews 4:15-16

Leader: Remember that our Lord Jesus Christ is able to sympathize with us in our weaknesses.

All: In every respect he was tempted as we are, yet without sin.

Leader: Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness,

All: So that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

Leader:Let us confess our sins to almighty God.

## **Congregational Prayer - Pastor Michael**

# Worship in Song:

His Mercy is More How Deep the Father's Love for Us

## We Prepare For & Hear God's Word

**Scripture:** Joshua 2:1-21, 6:15-25, Matthew 1:5

Sermon: The Jericho Road, Joshua and Rahab - Pastor

Michael

**Prayer** 

#### WE DEPART WITH GOD'S BLESSING

Parting Song: Great is Your Faithfulness

**Blessing:** Pastor Michael

#### **Announcements**

**Offering Plates -** Deacons will be passing offering plates beginning March 5th.

**Maundy Thursday** service will be April 6th at 6:30 pm. **On Christmas Eve** we will have a Candlelight service at 5:00 pm. December 24th is on a Sunday, this year, so we will also have our weekly 9:00 am service.

**Request for Help-** If you are wanting to donate to Roger and Eileen's daughter, please write a check with a memo specifying what it is for, or speak with a deacon by March 5th. For more information, see a deacon or visit <a href="https://givesendgo.com/G6JQV">https://givesendgo.com/G6JQV</a>

Have you been heard? Our congregation has a once-in-five-year opportunity to participate in the 2023 CRC denominational survey. This survey helps denominational leadership understand the concerns and needs of local congregations like ours. Please visit crcna.org/survey/2442 to answer the survey by March 31.

### **February Birthdays**

| 4  | Logan VanderEide  | 18 Bailey Dykstra    |
|----|-------------------|----------------------|
| 4  | Cameron Schaver   | 19 Wilma Vander Eide |
| 4  | Alayna Cornejo    | 20 Gayle Dykstra     |
| 6  | Bruce Bielema     | 20 Landon Dykstra    |
| 6  | Brooke Santillian | 22 Maxine Van Zuiden |
| 10 | Amy Dykstra       | 27 Beth Caven        |
| 16 | Carroll Eizenga   |                      |

**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 located on the back table

**2/19/23** 

Budget: \$2,042.00

Received: \$926.00

Short: \$1,116.00

Faith Promise: \$56.00

Offerings Today: General Fund - UCSB

Next Sunday: General Fund - Building Fund

## **Youth Group**

We will have Youth Group this Sunday, February 26, 2023 at First CRC from 5:30-8:00. We will have snacks. If you are going on SERVE 2023 please bring your completed paperwork to the meeting. Your last payment is due by the end of March (\$83.00). It's not too late to invite a friend to SERVE, we have 5 spots left that need to be claimed by the end of March.

Thank you to everyone who helped and attended our Baked Potato Bar. We had a good crowd and were able to raise a little over \$1000.00 for the Youth Group.

# **Community News**

Annual pasta fundraiser for L'Arche Clinton is at Rastrelli's Tuscany Center from 4pm to 7pm. They still need a few helpers and brownies. If you would like to order or volunteer to help, please contact Jean Bormann.

Self Help Enterprises will be hosting a Pancake Breakfast on Saturday, March 4th, from 7am - noon at 2300 W LeFevre Rd, Sterling, IL and will include pancakes, whole hog sausage, juice, milk, and coffee. Cost is free, donations are welcome. There will also be a 50/50 raffle, bake sale, and craft and vendor show.

**Baby Bottle Boomerang** to help The Pregnancy Center with financial assistance is coming up. Please sign up on the back table if you would like to participate so we know how many baby bottles to get.

Felix Adler Discovery Center will be having a fundraiser night on Tuesday, February 28th, 11am to 11pm. Order from the "Together We Care" menu and the Discovery Center will receive 50% of sales.

**Iron Sharpens Iron**, one-day men's conference, hosted by Focal Point Ministries, will be Saturday, April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023, from 8:30am to 4:00pm. The keynote speakers will be Joe Martin and Stephen Kendrick. You can visit FocalPointMinistries.net for more information.

**Iron Sharpens Iron**, one-day women's conference, hosted by Focal Point Ministries, will be Saturday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2023, from 8:30am to 4:00pm. The keynote speakers will be Erin Campbell and Rosalinda Rivera. You can visit FocalPointMinistries.net for more information.

**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. Contact Dr. Weima at 616-328-3110 or weimje@calvinseminary.edu

|                   | Today  | <b>Next Sunday</b> |
|-------------------|--------|--------------------|
| Recorder & Sound  | David  | Paul T             |
| Nursery Attendant | Lynell | Michelle V         |
| Snack Provider    | Ruby   | Virginia S         |
| Server            | Lynell | Marissa            |

## Weekly Calendar

| Sunday, Feb 26 <sup>th</sup> | Sunday Worship           | 9:00am |
|------------------------------|--------------------------|--------|
| Tuesday, Feb 28th            | <b>GEMS &amp; Cadets</b> | 6:30pm |

Pastor Michael Hooker-Email: mhooke01@gmail.com

Church Email: FirstCRCFulton@live.com

Office: 815-589-3790

Website: www.FultonFirstCRC.com

Facebook: Fulton 1st Christian Reformed Church