

First CRC Fulton

March 5th, 2023

The Jericho Road - Jesus stays in his Father's House

We Gather in Praise and Worship

Prelude: He Has Risen - Written by Pastor Michael

Welcome

Announcements

Call To Worship

Leader: The Lord Be with You

All: And Also with you

Leader: Come to the Lord, who is rich in grace; approach our God, who is full of mercy.

All: We will praise God with all our heart and glorify the name of the Most High forever.

God's Greeting

Mutual Greeting

Worship Through Song:

O Worship The King

To God Be The Glory

Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Responsive Prayer:

Leader: From Bethlehem to Nazareth, from Jordan to Jericho, from Bethany to Jerusalem, from then to now, come, Lord Jesus.

All: To heal the sick, to mend the brokenhearted, to comfort the disturbed, to disturb the comfortable, to

**cleanse the temple, to liberate faith from convention,
come, Lord Jesus.**

Leader: To carry the cross, to lead the way, to shoulder the
sin of the world and take it away, come, Lord Jesus.

**All: Today, to this place, to us, come, Lord Jesus.
Amen.**

Congregational Prayer - Pastor Michael

Worship Through Giving: Offeratory

Worship in Song:

Dwell in Me

Speak O Lord

Better is One Day in Your House

We Prepare For & Hear God's Word

Scripture: Luke 2:41-52 - The Boy Jesus at the Temple

⁴¹ Every year Jesus' parents went to Jerusalem for the Festival of the
Passover. ⁴² When he was twelve years old, they went up to the
festival, according to the custom. ⁴³ After the festival was over, while
his parents were returning home, the boy Jesus stayed behind in
Jerusalem, but they were unaware of it. ⁴⁴ Thinking he was in their
company, they traveled on for a day. Then they began looking for him
among their relatives and friends. ⁴⁵ When they did not find him, they
went back to Jerusalem to look for him. ⁴⁶ After three days they found
him in the temple courts, sitting among the teachers, listening to them
and asking them questions. ⁴⁷ Everyone who heard him was amazed at
his understanding and his answers. ⁴⁸ When his parents saw him, they
were astonished. His mother said to him, "Son, why have you treated
us like this? Your father and I have been anxiously searching for
you."

⁴⁹ “Why were you searching for me?” he asked. “Didn’t you know I had to be in my Father’s house?”[a] ⁵⁰ But they did not understand what he was saying to them.

⁵¹ Then he went down to Nazareth with them and was obedient to them. But his mother treasured all these things in her heart. ⁵² And Jesus grew in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and man.

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Prayer

WE DEPART WITH GOD’S BLESSING

Parting Song: Doxology

Blessing: Pastor Michael

Announcements

We will be passing the offering plates beginning today.

You are “mint” to be here - The Evangelism Committee will be serving mint snacks and a game next Sunday, March 12th. Please invite friends for worship, fellowship, and fun. And Save the Date, then next community evangelism event will be held May 7th and we have exciting ideas! If you would like to be on our planning team, let Marissa or Stacy know.

Palm Sunday Potluck will be on April 2nd after the service.

Maundy Thursday service will be April 6th at 6:30 pm.

Christmas Eve Candlelight service will be 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 **today**. For more information, see a deacon or visit <https://givesendgo.com/G6JQV>

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.

2/26/23

Budget: \$2,042.00

Received: \$927.00

Short: \$1,115.00

UCSB: \$241.50.00

Offerings Today: General Fund - Building Fund

Next Sunday: General Fund - GEMS

Youth Group

This Sunday, March 5, 2023 we will be meeting at Unity Christian School for the Cade Thompson concert. The concert starts at 6:30. Our next regular meeting will be Sunday March 12 at First CRC from 5:30-8:00.

We are looking for a group of volunteers to help beautify the area around our Dollar General in Fulton. Do you have an hour or two to spare to help us out. Let Rollie, Jeff, or Chris know if you can help out on a Saturday, hopefully this month. Unity students may count this as service hours.

We still have 5 spots available for SERVE. Tell your friends!! March 26 is the deadline to register.

Community News

Baby Bottle Boomerang bottles and envelopes have been requested and will hopefully arrive this week.

“Let There be Life,” the 37th Walk for Life at the Pregnancy Center, will be Saturday, April 29th. All are invited to Pray, Donate, or become a sponsored walker. Registration begins at 8:15am and the walk begins at 9am from The Pregnancy Center.

Roseland Christian Ministries invites you to join their Spring Banquet, “We Are Grateful,” on April 20 at Georgios, 8800 West 159th St. in Orland Park. Doors open at 6:30, dinner is 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.

Iron Sharpens Iron, one-day men’s conference, hosted by Focal Point Ministries, will be Saturday, April 1st, 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 22nd, 2023, from 8:30am to 4:00pm. The keynote speakers will be Erin Campbell and Rosalinda Rivera. 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	Next Sunday
Recorder & Sound	Paul T	Joe
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Snack Provider	Virginia S	Evangelism
Server	Marissa	Committee

Weekly Calendar

Sunday, March 5th Sunday Worship 9:00am
Cade Thompson Concert
at Unity Christian School 6:30pm

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