

**Message: Following Christ Every-
where**

Scripture: Colossians 3: 17-4:1

Preaching: Pastor Shawn Gerbers

Sermon Notes

Welcome

Welcome to First CRC. We are so glad you're here!

If you have children 3 months through 3 years old, you can safely entrust them to our nursery workers, who will care for them during the service. The nursery is located just below the Sanctuary and can be accessed by going down the stairs near the back entrance.

Restrooms are located just below the Sanctuary and can be accessed by going down the stairs near the back entrance.

After the service, please join us for refreshments which are located in the room just off the Sanctuary.

Offerings

Building Fund: Monies for future improvements and repairs to the church and Bridge facilities.

Solid Rock: Aid to people who are facing financial difficulties or who are experiencing physical limitations by providing necessary, standard of living repairs to keep their homes safe, healthy, and secure.

Church Announcements

Bad weather policy: If there is a winter storm warning, blizzard warning, tornado watch or warning one (1) hour before a scheduled event that event will be cancelled. If the schools have cancelled, all activities at church will be cancelled. In all other cases, check WOODTV 8, woodtv.com, jq99.com, or the church's facebook page for information.

We welcome **Linda Hoekwater**, from Third CRC, as our accompanist this morning.

College Student Baskets | LET'S SEND OUR COLLEGE MEN A BOX OF LOVE FROM FIRST! We only have 3 young men in college right now... let them know we think of them often and miss them back home! There will be a basket in the back of the church for you to put your notes, gift card, candy etc. We hope to send the box to them the week of March 10.

JONATHON KOLLEN is in graduate school at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee.

NATHAN KOLLEN is at Wayne State University in Detroit.

JACOB TAYLOR is at Cedarville University in Cedarville, Ohio.

Breakfast at Farmhouse | Join us for breakfast on Wednesday morning, March 20, at 9:00 at the Farmhouse in Zeeland. There is a sign up sheet in the back. Sign up by Sunday, March 17. We would love to have you join us!

Church Calendar

The **Worship Team** will meet at 7:00 PM on Monday.

The **Properties Team** will meet at 7:00 PM on Tuesday.

Coffee Break will meet Thurs., March 14, from 10-11:15 AM.

Prayer Meeting | Each week members from First Church are invited to come and pray together at 11:00AM on Thursday. All are welcome. Meet at the office.

There will be a **Cadets Pancake Supper** on Weds., March 20.

Care and Prayer

Calling Elder | In need of prayer or a visit? Wes VanderLugt is the Calling Elder for March. His phone number is 616.836.8054.

Birthdays

Pearl Huizinga celebrated her 80th birthday on Friday, March 8. Hope her special day was great!

Community Announcements

Unfading Truth | You won't find the word 'Trinity' in the Bible, but you will find mountains of evidence pointing to the reality of our Triune (three-in-one) God. Read that evidence with us this week we read the Bible together. Sign up for a daily reminder at UnfadingTruth.org.

CRC denominational survey | Our congregation has a once-in-five-year opportunity to participate in the 2024 CRC denominational survey. This survey helps denominational leadership understand the concerns and needs of local congregations like ours. It is crucial that as many people from our congregation as possible participate. Please visit crcna.org/survey/9657 to answer the survey questions by **March 31**.

Three Forms Podcast | Are you a podcast listener? Would you enjoy a weekly show to help you grow in your understanding of Reformed Theology and God's Word? The Three Forms Podcast, recently launched by two of our sister churches (Beaverdam and Coopersville CRC), is a 30 minute weekly show, exploring our Reformed Confessions (often referred to as the Three Forms of Unity) in a conversational format. The Three Forms Podcast can be found on Apple, Spotify, Pandora, YouTube, and many other podcasting platforms.