

First Christian Reformed Church

Lynden, Washington

September 5, 2021

6:00 p.m. Worship Service

Call to Worship: *Psalm 96:1-2*

Oh sing to the LORD a new song;

sing to the LORD, all the earth!

Sing to the LORD, bless his name;

tell of his salvation from day to day.

Opening Prayer

Come, Christians, Join to Sing

Come, Christians, join to sing; Alleluia! Amen!

Loud praise to Christ our King; Alleluia! Amen!

Let all, with heart and voice, before His throne rejoice;

Praise is His gracious choice: Alleluia! Amen!

Come, lift your hearts on high; Alleluia! Amen!

Let praises fill the sky; Alleluia! Amen!

He is our Guide and Friend; to us He'll condescend;

His love shall never end: Alleluia! Amen!

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Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Come, thou fount of every blessing,

Tune my heart to sing thy grace;

Streams of mercy, never ceasing,

Call for songs of loudest praise.

Teach me some melodious sonnet,

Sung by flaming tongues above.

Praise the mount – I'm fixed upon it,

Mount of God's redeeming love.

Oh, to grace how great a debtor

Daily I'm constrained to be!

Let thy goodness, like a fetter,

Bind my wandering heart to thee:

Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it,

Prone to leave the God I love;

Here's my heart, O take and seal it;

Seal it for thy courts above.

("Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing", text by Robert Robinson, 1758, alt., tune J. Wyeth's *Repository of Sacred Music*, Part II, 1813, CCLI #358926, Streaming License 20317932)

The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want

The Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want; He makes me down to lie

In pastures green; He leadeth me the quiet waters by.

My soul He doth restore again, and me to walk doth make

Within the paths of righteousness, e'en for His own name's sake.

Goodness and mercy all my life shall surely follow me,

And in God's house forevermore my dwelling place shall be.

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Profession of Our Faith: Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father almighty,

Maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ,

his only begotten Son, our Lord;

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,

born of the virgin Mary;

suffered under Pontius Pilate;

was crucified, dead, and buried;

he descended into hell;

the third day he rose again from the dead;

he ascended to heaven, and is seated at the right hand

of God the Father almighty;

from there he shall come to judge

the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit.

I believe in a holy catholic church,

the communion of saints;

the forgiveness of sins;

the resurrection of the body;

and the life everlasting. AMEN.

Offering: Christian School Tuition Assistance

Evening Prayer

Come to the Savior Now

Come to the Savior now, he gently calls to you;
In true repentance bow, let him your heart renew.
Christ came that you may know salvation, peace and love,
True joy on earth below, a home in heaven above.

Come to the Savior, all, whate'er your burdens be;
Hear now his loving call, "Cast all your care on me."
Come, and for every grief, in Jesus you will find
A sure and safe relief, a loving friend and kind.

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Scripture: *1 Corinthians 13:13 (ESV)*

So now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; but the greatest of these is love.

Ephesians 2:8-9 (ESV)

For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast.

John 1:12-13 (ESV)

But to all who did receive him, who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God, who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God.

2 Corinthians 5:7 (ESV)

for we walk by faith, not by sight.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Message: *Faith, Hope, and Love: Faith*

The Church's One Foundation

The Church's one foundation is Jesus Christ her Lord
She is His new creation by water and the word;
From heaven He came and sought her to be His holy bride;
With His own blood He bought her, and for her life He died.

Elect from every nation, yet one o'er all the earth,
Her charter of salvation, one Lord, one faith, one birth;
One holy name she blesses, partakes one holy food,
And to one hope she presses, with every grace endued.

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God's Blessing

The Church's One Foundation

'Mid toil and tribulation, and tumult of her war,
She waits the consummation of peace for evermore;
Till with the vision glorious, her longing eyes are blest,
And the great Church victorious shall be the Church at rest.

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Pastors: Mike B
Music: Nancy Z

Offerings and tithes can be placed in the baskets during the service, mailed to the church (1010 Front Street, Lynden, WA), dropped off in the church mailbox, through a bill pay service, or at www.tithe.ly. If you would like to give to the First CRC operating fund, please use a blue envelope (on the Welcome Center) or designate on memo line.

This week the offering is for Christian School Tuition Assistance. This fund is used to help cover tuition cost of First church families who send their children to Christian schools.

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