First Christian Reformed Church Lynden, Washington July 25, 2021

Call to Worship: Come, Now is the Time to Worship

Refrain: Come, now is the time to worship. Come, now is the time to give your heart. Come, just as you are, to worship. Come, just as you are, before your God. Come.

One day every tongue will confess You are God. One day every knee will bow. Still the greatest treasure remains for those Who gladly choose you now. *Refrain* ("Come, Now is the Time to Worship" words and music by Brian Doerksen, © 1998, Vineyard Songs (UK/EIRE) (PRS), admin. In North America by Music Services., CCLI# 358926 Streaming License #20317932)

God's Greeting

Blessed Be Your Name

Blessed be your name in the land that is plentiful, Where your streams of abundance flow; blessed be your name. Blessed be your name when I'm found in the desert place. Though I walk through the wilderness, blessed be your name.

Refrain: Every blessing you pour out, I'll turn back to praise.
When the darkness closes in, Lord still I will say,
"Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be your name.
Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be your glorious name."

Blessed be your name when the sun's shining down on me, When the world's "all as it should be." Blessed be your name. Blessed be your name on the road marked with suffering; Though there's pain in the offering, blessed be your name. *Refrain*

You give and take away, You give and take away. My heart will choose to say, "Lord, blessed be your name." Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be your glorious name." ("Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be your glorious name."

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.

'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. ("The Church's One Foundation" text by Samuel J. Stone, tune by Samuel S. Wesleyl, Public Domain, CCLI #358926, Streaming License 20317932)

Call to Confession: Deuteronomy 6:4-6

Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one. You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might. And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart.

Prayer of Confession

Assurance: Psalm 103:1-5

Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name! Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits, who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases, who redeems your life from the pit, who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy, who satisfies you with good so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.

My Faith Looks Up To Thee

My faith looks up to Thee, Thou Lamb of Calvary, Savior divine! Now hear me while I pray; take all my guilt away. Oh let me from this day be wholly Thine!

May Thy rich grace impart strength to my fainting heart, my zeal inspire. As Thou has died for me, O may my love to Thee Pure, warm and changeless be, a living fire. ("My Faith Looks Up to Thee" words by Ray Palmer, 1830, Public Domain, CCLI# 358926 Streaming License #20317932)

Morning Prayer

Scripture: Psalm 16 (ESV)

^{*I*}Preserve me, O God, for in you I take refuge.

² I say to the LORD, "You are my Lord;

I have no good apart from you."

³ As for the saints in the land, they are the excellent ones, in whom is all my delight.

⁴ The sorrows of those who run after another god shall multiply; their drink offerings of blood I will not pour out or take their names on my lips.

⁵ The LORD is my chosen portion and my cup; you hold my lot.

⁶ The lines have fallen for me in pleasant places;

indeed, I have a beautiful inheritance.

⁷ I bless the LORD who gives me counsel; in the night also my heart instructs me.

⁸ I have set the LORD always before me;

because he is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.

- ⁹ Therefore my heart is glad, and my whole being rejoices; my flesh also dwells secure.
- ¹⁰ For you will not abandon my soul to Sheol,
- or let your holy one see corruption.
- ¹¹ You make known to me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy; at your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Message: The Unshakeable Faith of a Sheltered Life

The Solid Rock

My hope is built on nothing less Than Jesus' blood and righteousness; I dare not trust the sweetest frame, But wholly lean on Jesus' name.

Refrain: On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand; All other ground is sinking sand, All other ground is sinking sand.

His oath, His covenant, His blood, Support me in the whelming flood; When all around my soul gives way, He then is all my hope and stay. *Refrain* ("The Solid Rock" words by Edward Mote and tune by William Bradbury, Public Domain, CCLI# 358926 Streaming License #20317932)

God's Blessing

Here I Am, Lord

I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard My people cry. All who dwell in deepest sin My hand will save. I who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright. Who will bear My light to them? Whom shall I send?

 Refrain:
 Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?

 I have heard You calling in the night.

 I will go, Lord, if You lead me.

 I will hold Your people in my heart.

 ("Here I Am, Lord" words and music by Daniel L. Schutte @ 1981 by Daniel L. Schutte and New Dawn Music CCLI #358926, Streaming License #20317932)

Pastors: Mike B, Robert W Music: Ken & Lisa Q

<u>Offerings and tithes</u> can be placed in the baskets in the narthex, mailed to the church office (1010 Front Street, Lynden, WA 98264), dropped off in the church

mailbox, through a bill pay service, or electronically at www.tithe.ly (or through the app). To give to the First CRC operating fund, please use a blue envelope (on the Welcome Center) or designate on memo line of your check.

This week the offering is for First CRC Benevolence Fund, used to help local people and families in times of need. For more information, contact any First CRC deacon.

<u>Nursery</u> is available with a paging system for children under 3 years during the 10:30 AM worship service in the Education Building.

<u>Children's Church</u> is available for children 3 years -2^{nd} grade during the 10:30 AM service. Children are dismissed to the Education Building during the worship service.

<u>Worship services</u> are also broadcast live in the church basement and streamed online for anyone unable to worship in the sanctuary.

An assistive listening system is available in the sanctuary; to use this system, switch hearing aids to "T".