

First Christian Reformed Church  
Lynden, Washington  
October 17, 2021  
6:00 p.m. Worship Service

**Call to Worship:** *Psalm 150:1,6*

*Praise the LORD!*

*Praise God in his sanctuary;*

*praise him in his mighty heavens!*

***Let everything that has breath praise the LORD!***

***Praise the LORD!***

**Opening Prayer**

***Praise the Lord with the Sound of Trumpet***

Praise the Lord with the sound of trumpet,

Praise the Lord with the harp and lute,

Praise the Lord with the gentle sounding flute.

Praise the Lord in the field and forest,

Praise the Lord in the city square,

Praise the Lord anytime and anywhere.

Praise the Lord in the wind and sunshine,

Praise the Lord in the dark of night,

Praise the Lord in the rain or snow or in the morning light.

Praise the Lord in the deepest valley,

Praise the Lord on the highest hill,

Praise the Lord; never let your voice be still.

Praise the Lord with the crashing cymbal,

Praise the Lord with the pipe and string,

Praise the Lord with the joyful songs you sing.

Praise the Lord on a weekday morning,

Praise the Lord on a Sunday noon,

Praise the Lord by the light of sun or moon.

Praise the Lord in the time of sorrow,

Praise the Lord in the time of joy.

Praise the Lord every moment; nothing let your praise destroy.

Praise the Lord in the peace and quiet,

Praise the Lord in your work or play,

Praise the Lord everywhere in every way!

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***And Can It Be***

And can it be that I should gain an interest in the Savior's blood?

Died He for me, who caused His pain? For me, who caused his bitter death.

Amazing love! How can it be that You, my Lord, should die for me?

Amazing love! How can it be that You, my Lord, should die for me!

No condemnation now I dread: for Christ and all in Him, is mine!

Alive in Him my living Head, and clothed in righteousness divine,

Bold I approach the eternal throne, and claim the crown, through Christ my own.

Amazing love! How can it be that You, my Lord, should die for me!

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### ***Leaning on the Everlasting Arms***

What a fellowship, what a joy divine, leaning on the everlasting arms;  
What a blessedness, what a peace is mine, leaning on the everlasting arms.

*Refrain:* Leaning, leaning, safe and secure from all alarms;  
Leaning, leaning, leaning on the everlasting arms.

What have I to dread, what have I to fear, leaning on the everlasting arms?

I have blessed peace with my Lord so near, leaning on the everlasting arms. *Refrain*

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### **Profession of Our Faith: *Hebrews 10:19-25***

***Therefore, brothers,***

***since we have confidence to enter the holy places by the blood of Jesus,  
by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain,  
that is, through his flesh,***

***and since we have a great priest over the house of God,  
let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith,  
with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience  
and our bodies washed with pure water.***

***Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering,  
for he who promised is faithful.***

***And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works,  
not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some,  
but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.***

**Offering:** Friend of Sinners Reformed Church

### **Evening Prayer**

#### ***Open Our Eyes***

Open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus,  
To reach out and touch Him, and say that we love Him.  
Open our ears, Lord, and help us to listen,  
Open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus.

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### **Scripture: *1 Kings 18:1-19***

<sup>1</sup>After many days the word of the LORD came to Elijah, in the third year, saying, "Go, show yourself to Ahab, and I will send rain upon the earth." <sup>2</sup>So Elijah went to show himself to Ahab. Now the famine was severe in Samaria. <sup>3</sup>And Ahab called Obadiah, who was over the household. (Now Obadiah feared the LORD greatly, <sup>4</sup>and when Jezebel cut off the prophets of the LORD, Obadiah took a hundred prophets and hid them by fifties in a cave and fed them with bread and water.) <sup>5</sup>And Ahab said to Obadiah, "Go through the land to all the springs of water and to all the valleys. Perhaps we may find grass and save the horses and mules alive, and not lose some of the animals." <sup>6</sup>So they divided the land between them to pass through it. Ahab went in one direction by himself, and Obadiah went in another direction by himself.

<sup>7</sup>And as Obadiah was on the way, behold, Elijah met him. And Obadiah recognized him and fell on his face and said, "Is it you, my lord Elijah?" <sup>8</sup>And he answered him, "It is I. Go, tell your lord, 'Behold, Elijah is here.'" <sup>9</sup>And he said, "How have I sinned, that you would give your servant into the hand of Ahab, to kill me?" <sup>10</sup>As the LORD your God lives, there is no nation or kingdom where my lord has not sent to seek you. And when they would say, 'He is not here,' he would take an oath of the kingdom or nation, that they had not found you.

<sup>11</sup> And now you say, 'Go, tell your lord, "Behold, Elijah is here."' <sup>12</sup> And as soon as I have gone from you, the Spirit of the LORD will carry you I know not where. And so, when I come and tell Ahab and he cannot find you, he will kill me, although I your servant have feared the LORD from my youth. <sup>13</sup> Has it not been told my lord what I did when Jezebel killed the prophets of the LORD, how I hid a hundred men of the LORD's prophets by fifties in a cave and fed them with bread and water? <sup>14</sup> And now you say, 'Go, tell your lord, "Behold, Elijah is here"'; and he will kill me." <sup>15</sup> And Elijah said, "As the LORD of hosts lives, before whom I stand, I will surely show myself to him today." <sup>16</sup> So Obadiah went to meet Ahab, and told him. And Ahab went to meet Elijah. <sup>17</sup> When Ahab saw Elijah, Ahab said to him, "Is it you, you troubler of Israel?" <sup>18</sup> And he answered, "I have not troubled Israel, but you have, and your father's house, because you have abandoned the commandments of the LORD and followed the Baals. <sup>19</sup> Now therefore send and gather all Israel to me at Mount Carmel, and the 450 prophets of Baal and the 400 prophets of Asherah, who eat at Jezebel's table."

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Message:** *Elijah and Obadiah: Two Prophets, Two Worlds*

### ***My Jesus, I Love Thee***

My Jesus, I love Thee, I know Thou art mine;  
For Thee all the follies of sin I resign;  
My gracious Redeemer, my Savior art Thou:  
If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

I'll love Thee in life, I will love Thee in death,  
And praise Thee as long as Thou lendest me breath;  
And say when the death-dew lies cold on my brow:  
If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

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### **God's Blessing**

### ***My Jesus, I Love Thee***

In mansions of glory and endless delight,  
I'll ever adore Thee in heaven so bright;  
I'll sing with the glittering crown on my brow:  
If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

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