# First Christian Reformed Church

Lynden, Washington November 7, 2021 6:00 p.m. Worship Service

Call to Worship: from Psalm 99:5, 9

Exalt the Lord our God and worship at His footstool;

He is holy.

Exalt the Lord our God and worship at His holy mountain;

For the Lord our God is holy.

## **Opening Prayer**

#### Awesome God

Our God is an awesome God.

He reigns from heaven above;

With wisdom, pow'r and love,

Our God is an awesome God. Repeat All

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#### Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

Immortal, invisible, God only wise,

In light inaccessible hid from our eyes,

Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days.

Almighty, victorious, Thy great name we praise.

Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,

Nor wanting, nor wasting, You rule day and night;

Your justice like mountains high soaring above,

Your clouds, which are fountains of goodness and love.

Life-giving Creator of both great and small;

Of all life the maker, the true life of all:

We blossom, then wither like leaves on the tree,

But you are forever, who was and will be.

We worship before you, great Father of light,

While angels adore Thee, all veiling their sight;

Our praises we render, O Father, to you

Whom only the splendor of light hides from view.

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#### Ye Servants of God

Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim,

And publish abroad His wonderful Name;

The Name all victorious of Jesus extol;

His kingdom is glorious, He rules over all.

God ruleth on high, almighty to save;

Though hid from our sight, His presence we have;

The great congregation His triumph shall sing,

Ascribing salvation to Jesus, our King.

Then let us adore and give Him His right:

All glory and power, all wisdom and might,

All honor and blessing, with angels above,

And thanks never ceasing, and infinite love.

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**Profession of 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**

## I Hide Your Word Within My Heart

I hide Your Word within my heart to keep me safe from sin; For where Your truth is in control no lie can enter in.

I trust Your Word with all my heart and give You thanks and praise;

For all the beauty of Your truth that stands from age to age.

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## **Scripture:** *I Kings* 18:30-40 (ESV)

Then Elijah said to all the people, "Come near to me." And all the people came near to him. And he repaired the altar of the LORD that had been thrown down. <sup>31</sup> Elijah took twelve stones, according to the number of the tribes of the sons of Jacob, to whom the word of the LORD came, saying, "Israel shall be your name," <sup>32</sup> and with the stones he built an altar in the name of the LORD. And he made a trench about the altar, as great as would contain two seahs of seed. <sup>33</sup> And he put the wood in order and cut the bull in pieces and laid it on the wood. And he said, "Fill four jars with water and pour it on the burnt offering and on the wood." <sup>34</sup>And he said, "Do it a second time." And they did it a second time. And he said,

"Do it a third time." And they did it a third time. <sup>35</sup> And the water ran around the altar and filled the trench also with water.

<sup>36</sup> And at the time of the offering of the oblation, Elijah the prophet came near and said, "O LORD, God of Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, let it be known this day that you are God in Israel, and that I am your servant, and that I have done all these things at your word.

<sup>37</sup> Answer me, O LORD, answer me, that this people may know that you, O LORD, are God, and that you have turned their hearts back." <sup>38</sup> Then the fire of the LORD fell and consumed the burnt offering and the wood and the stones and the dust, and licked up the water that was in the trench. <sup>39</sup> And when all the people saw it, they fell on their faces and said, "The LORD, he is God; the LORD, he is God." <sup>40</sup> And Elijah said to them, "Seize the prophets of Baal; let not one of them escape." And they seized them. And Elijah brought them down to the brook Kishon and slaughtered them there.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Message: Confrontation at Mt. Carmel

#### The Lord God Reigns in Majesty

The Lord God reigns in majesty; let all the nations quake. He dwells between the cherubim; let earth's foundations shake. Supreme in Zion is the Lord, exalted gloriously. All nations, praise his name with awe: the Holy One is he.

The mighty King loves justice well and equity ordains. He rules his people righteously and faithfulness maintains. In worship at his footstool bow, let him exalted be. O magnify the Lord our God: the Holy One is he.

When priests and prophets called on God, he their petitions heard. His cloudy pillar led them on, and they obeyed his word. Though sending judgments for their sins, he pardoned graciously. Exalt the Lord and worship him: the Holy One is he.

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## God's Blessing

## All People That On Earth Do Dwell

To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, The God whom heav'n and earth adore, From earth and from the angel host Be praise and glory evermore.

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