First Christian Reformed Church

Lynden, Washington

Announcements for February 6, 2022

Lord willing, this Sunday, Pastor Robert W and Pastor Mike B will be leading us in worship at 10:30 AM and 6:00 PM.

Face coverings are available at the Welcome Center. If you or anyone in your household has symptoms, we ask that you stay home until you are symptom free.

Nursery is available for children up to 3 years in the Education Building during the morning worship service.

Children's Church is available for children 3 years – 3rd grade during the morning worship service. Children will be invited to leave during the service to go to the Education Building.

Fellowship Time is immediately following the morning service in the church basement.

Offering for February 6 - Christian School Tuition Assistance

Christian School Tuition Assistance is used to help with tuition costs for First Church families that choose to send their children to a Christian School (kindergarten - 12th grade). All money received into this fund is split equally on a per child basis (half portion for kindergarten) for all members having children in a local Christian school unless they have opted out of the program. Payments are made directly to the schools for these families twice a year, generally November and May. For more information or questions about this fund, contact any of the deacons.

Tithes and offering can be given the following ways: placed in the offering bag on Sunday, mailed to the church (1010 Front Street, Lynden, WA 98264), dropped off during the week (at the church during office hours or in the outside locking mailbox after hours), electronically through a bill pay service or with Tithe.ly.

PRAYER AND PRAISE ITEMS

CONGRATULATIONS

• We rejoice with Ben & Jill K as they welcomed Jessica Joyce to their family on Friday, January 28.

BELATED BIRTHDAY GREETINGS

- Agnes R celebrated her 86th birthday on February 1.
- Ken H celebrated his 85th birthday on February 4.

PRAYER ITEMS

- John V had surgery to repair a broken hip last week. Pray for John and Jean as the family deals with caring for both of them and their health issues.
- Berny D as the doctors determine the best course of treatment for his cancer.
- Rick B is dealing with a lot of pain in his legs and back related to his neuropathy.

NEWS AND UPDATES

GEMS SOUP SUPPER & BAKE SALE IS BACK!

The GEMS Soup Supper & Bake Sale will be Wednesday, February 9 from 5:00–7:00 PM in the Church Basement. Don't miss the delicious soups, salad and dessert! Also plan to stop by the bake sale table full of yummy goodies to purchase. All proceeds will go to the First CRC GEMS.

PAINTED ROCKS = PRIZE!

Ready for a scavenger hunt? The GEMS girls and their dads have placed painted rocks throughout the landscaping at church. If you find a painted rock at church, pick it up, and bring it to the back of church where you can put it in a ziplock bag with your name on it. The GEMS will be handing out prizes to everyone that turns in a painted rock!

COUNCIL NOMINEES

The church council has begun the process of selecting nominees who could be selected to serve as elder or deacon. If you know of someone whom you think could serve in that capacity, please submit his name to the clerk, Doug V or to your care district elder or deacon before the February 15 Council meeting.

MISSIONS CELEBRATION - SAVE THE DATE

Mark your calendars and plan to celebrate our missions partners with us on Saturday, March 19 and Sunday, March 20. Information will be available soon on how to sign up for our Missions Dinner.

BABY BOTTLE FUNDRAISER

Baby bottles will also be collected on Sunday, March 20. Additional bottles are available in the back of church. Proceeds from the bottles will be given to Whatcom County Pregnancy Clinic.

CONTRIBUTION RECEIPTS

Tax statements of all contributions to First CRC were distributed this week in your mailboxes. If you did not receive one and think you need one, or if there is a mistake on your statement, contact the church office at 360-354-4560. If you used Tithe.ly, please log in and print your statement from your account. Thank you.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

EDUCATION CLASSES

Education classes for 3rd -12th grade and adults meet on Sunday mornings at 9:30 AM.

HELPING HANDS

All those who love to sew, knit or crochet are invited to join us on Monday, February 7 at 1:00 PM in the Education Building. For more information, contact Leona O.

OASIS (7th-8th GRADE YOUTH MINISTRY)

Oasis will meet on Monday, February 7 at 7:00 PM in the Loft. For more information, contact Jeff & Renee L, Patty R or Pastor Mike B.

PRAY FOR SERVE

We will meet on Monday, February 7 at 7:00 PM in the prayer room.

MISSIONS PRAYER GROUP

All those interested in praying for missions are invited to join us on Tuesday, February 8 at 10:00 AM in the Prayer Room. For more information, contact Chris R.

FELLOWSHIP MINISTRY TEAM

We will meet on Tuesday, February 8 at 7:00 PM in the Education Building. For more information, contact Galen L.

GEMS (2nd - 6th GRADE GIRLS MINISTRY)

We will be having our soup supper and bake sale this week Wednesday, February 9 from 5:00-7:00 PM. For more information, contact Kim A or Sara B.

TRIBE (9th-12th GRADE MINISTRY)

Join us on Wednesday, February 8 for bowling at Mt. Baker Lanes. We will meet at church at **7:00 PM**. TRIBE will pay for bowling, if you would like snacks, please bring money. For more information, contact Cal & Laura B, or Pastor Mike.

DAUGHTERS OF ZION - WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Daughters of Zion will meet again on Thursday, February 10 at 10:00 AM in the Education Building. We will do lesson 9. The servers for this meeting will be Lillian V and Sharon V.

THURSDAY EVENING WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Join us on Thursday, February 10 at 7:00 PM in the Loft as we continue to study, *Alone with God: Rediscovering the Power and Passion of Prayer* by John MacArthur. If you have any questions contact Jeanne J.