# First Christian Reformed Church Lynden, Washington

February 20, 2022 ~ 10:30 a.m. Worship Service

#### Call to Worship:

We gather today to worship the One who created us,

The One who calls,

The One who equips us,

The One who loves us without end.

With joyful hearts, let us worship God.

#### **God's Greeting**

#### Our Church

Here we are now, a crowd assembled, peace like incense fills the air. Men and women, the sounds of children, young and old have come to share.

In the beauty of this place, we have gathered by His grace.

Refrain: This is our church, our family of faith,

On this Holy ground we're all the same. And we are the joy of God on display Whenever we meet in Jesus' Name. Whenever we meet in Jesus' Name.

Walls are falling, hearts disarming as his presence ushers in.

Waves of mercy fill the building as His Spirit stirs within.

In the beauty of this place, we have gathered by His grace. Refrain

From the suburbs to the streets we have gathered to receive.

Some with plenty, some with need, 'cause we are a family, His family. Refrain

# Open the Eyes of My Heart

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord;

Open the eyes of my heart,

I want to see you, I want to see you.

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord;

Open the eyes of my heart,

I want to see you, I want to see you.

To see you high and lifted up, shining in the light of your glory.

Pour out your power and love as we sing holy, holy, holy.

Holy, holy, holy, holy, holy,

Holy, holy, holy. I want to see you.

Holy, holy, holy, holy, holy,

Holy, holy, holy. I want to see you.

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# Thy Word

Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path. Refrain:

Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.

When I feel afraid, and I think I've lost my way,

Still You're there right beside me.

Nothing will I fear as long as You are near.

Please be near me to the end. Refrain

I will not forget Your love for me, and yet

My heart forever is wandering.

Jesus, be my guide and hold me to Your side;

I will love You to the end. Refrain
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#### Call to Confession: Heidelberg Catechism Q&A 117

How does God want us to pray so that he will listen to us?

First, we must pray from the heart

to no other than the one true God,

who has revealed himself in his Word,

asking for everything he has commanded us to ask for.

Second, we must acknowledge our need and misery, hiding nothing, and humble ourselves in his majestic presence.

## **Prayer of Confession**

## Assurance

Third, we must rest on this unshakable foundation: even though we do not deserve it, God will surely listen to our prayer because of Christ our Lord.

That is what he promised us in his Word.

#### Grace Alone

Every promise we can make, every prayer and step of faith;

Every difference we will make is only by His grace.

Every mountain we will climb, every ray of hope we shine;

Every blessing left behind is only by His grace.

Refrain: Grace alone which God supplies;

Strength unknown He will provide. Christ in us, our cornerstone, We will go forth in grace alone.

Every soul we long to reach, every heart we hope to teach;

Everywhere we share His peace is only by His grace.

Every loving word we say, every tear we wipe away;

Every sorrow turned to praise is only by His grace. Refrain

### **Offertory Prayer**

Offering: Building Fund

Offertory Ministry of Music: His Eye Is On the Sparrow

#### **Morning Prayer**

#### **Every Promise**

From the breaking of the dawn to the setting of the sun,

I will stand on ev'ry promise of Your Word.

Words of power, strong to save, that will never pass away,

I will stand on ev'ry promise of Your Word.

For Your covenant is sure, and on this I am secure,

I can stand on ev'ry promise of Your Word.

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#### Scripture: I Samuel 23:1-5

Now they told David, "Behold, the Philistines are fighting against Keilah and are robbing the threshing floors.

 $^2$  Therefore David inquired of the LORD, "Shall I go and attack these Philistines?" And the LORD said to David, "Go and attack the Philistines and save Keilah." But David's men said to him, "Behold, we are afraid here in Judah; how much more then if we go to Keilah against the armies of the Philistines?" 4 Then David inquired of the LORD again. And the LORD answered him, "Arise, go down to Keilah, for I will give the Philistines into your hand." <sup>5</sup> And David and his men went to Keilah and fought with the Philistines and brought away their livestock and struck them with a great blow. So David saved the inhabitants of Keilah.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

#### Message: Inquiring of the Lord

#### Seek Ye First

Seek ye first the kingdom of God and His righteousness,

And all these things shall be added unto you. Allelu, alleluia.

Ask and it shall be given unto you; seek and you shall find;

Knock and the door shall be opened unto you. Allelu, alleluia.

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#### **God's Blessing**

#### Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise him, all creatures here below;

Praise him above, ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen. Amen.

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