First Christian Reformed Church

Lynden, Washington March 13, 2022 – 10:30 a.m. Worship Service

Call to Worship: Revelation 5:9,10,12,13

"Worthy are you to take the scroll and to open its seals, for you were slain, and by your blood you ransomed people for God from every tribe and language and people and nation, and you have made them a kingdom and priests to our God, and they shall reign on the earth" saying with a loud voice, "Worthy is the Lamb who was slain,

to receive power and wealth and wisdom

and might and honor and glory and blessing!"

And I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, saying,

"To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!"

God's Greeting

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

All hail the power of Jesus' name! Let angels prostrate fall. Bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all. Bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all!

O seed of Israel's chosen race now ransomed from the fall, Hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all. Hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all!

Let every tongue and every tribe responsive to his call, To him all majesty ascribe, and crown him Lord of all. To him all majesty ascribe, and crown him Lord of all!

Oh, that with all the sacred throng we at his feet may fall! We'll join the everlasting song and crown him Lord of all.

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Presentation of the Flags of the Nations

Blessing of Missionaries

As your brothers and sisters in Christ and partners in ministry, we join in giving our blessing: "Blessed are you, who come in the name of the Lord."

Song for the Nations

May we be a shining light to the nations, A shining light to the peoples of the earth, Till the whole world sees the glory of Your name. May Your pure light shine thro' us.

May we bring a word of hope to the nations, A word of life to the peoples of the earth, Till the whole world knows there's salvation thro' Your name. May Your mercy flow thro' us.

May Your kingdom come to the nations, Your will be done in the peoples of the earth, Till the whole world knows that Jesus Christ is Lord.

May Your kingdom come on earth.

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Lenten Reading: Matthew 12:1-2, 5-8

O Mighty Cross

O mighty cross, love lifted high, the Lord of life raised there to die; His sacrifice on Calvary has made the mighty cross a tree of life to me.

O mighty cross, what throne of grace, He knew no sin, yet took my place; His sacrifice on Calvary has made the mighty cross a tree of life to me.

O mighty cross, O Christ, so pure, love held Him there, such shame endured; His sacrifice on Calvary has made the mighty cross a tree of life to me.

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Offertory Prayer

Offering: Dustin & Melissa

Morning Prayer

Scripture: *Hebrews 10:19-25 (NIV)*

¹⁹ Therefore, brothers and sisters, since we have confidence to enter the Most Holy Place by the blood of Jesus, ²⁰ by a new and living way opened for us through the curtain, that is, his body, ²¹ and since we have a great priest over the house of God, ²² let us draw near to God with a sincere heart and with the full assurance that faith brings, having our hearts sprinkled to cleanse us from a guilty conscience and having our bodies washed with pure water. ²³ Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful. ²⁴ And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, ²⁵ not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Message: All the More as You See the Day Approaching

Hear the Call of the Kingdom

Hear the call of the Kingdom, lift your eyes to the King. Let His song rise within you as a fragrant offering Of how God, rich in mercy, came in Christ to redeem All who trust in His unfailing grace.

Hear the call of the Kingdom to be children of light, With the mercy of heaven, the humility of Christ; Walking justly before Him, loving all that is right; That the light of Christ may shine through us. *Refrain*

Refrain: King of heaven, we will answer the call;

We will follow, bringing hope to the world,

Filled with passion, filled with power to proclaim salvation in Jesus' name.

Hear the call of the Kingdom to reach out to the lost;

With the Father's compassion, in the wonder of the cross.

Bringing peace and forgiveness and a hope yet to come,

Let the nations put their trust in Him. Refrain

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God's Blessing

O Zion Haste

Proclaim to every people, tongue and nation that God in Whom they live and move is love; Tell how He stooped to save His lost creation, and died on earth that man might live above. Publish glad tidings, tidings of peace, tidings of Jesus, redemption and release.

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Pastors: Mike B, Ray D, Robert W

Readers: Jack P Family

Prayer: Dave R

Music: Cheryl K, Nancy Z

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