First Christian Reformed Church

Lynden, Washington

Announcements for April 10, 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.

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

April 10: Samaritan's Purse – Ukraine Relief

Samaritan's Purse was a huge blessing to many displaced families in Whatcom County this past year during the flooding. They are now a vital part of the relief work in and around Ukraine. Samaritan's Purse is working through church partners and local shelters to distribute supplies, such as hygiene kits, drinking water, food, cooking kits, blankets, winter clothing kits, and other items in both Ukraine and Moldova. In southern Ukraine, Samaritan's Purse is helping local churches provide places to stay for families and also for displaced children who are traveling unaccompanied. For more information, visit www.samaritanspurse.org.

April 17: Northwest Seafarers Ministry

April 24: Tribe - First CRC High School Youth Group

May 1: GEMS Girls Club

Deacon's Report for March 2022:

Printed copies are in your mailboxes or can be picked up from the Welcome Center or the church office.

PRAYER AND PRAISE ITEMS

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- John V has been diagnosed with pancreatic cancer that has metastasized to his liver and kidneys and is now on hospice care.
- Dale A is now at a rehab facility in Mt. Vernon following complications from a stroke.
- Freda G is in rehab at North Cascade Health and Rehab Center partial hip replacement.

THANK YOU

- The Humphreys and Ypma families would like to thank the members of this congregation for their prayers, thoughts, and cards with the passing of Helene's sister, Nella D.
- We are regularly reminded why the Luke Society's philosophy of supporting indigenous doctors working within their own borders is such an effective method of conducting a medical ministry. The investment made by **First Christian Reformed Church** is ensuring that people around the globe have a continuity of care for years to come. Thank you for your gifts of prayer and financial support for the Luke Society.

NEWS AND UPDATES

WORSHIP SERVICES THIS EASTER SEASON

- **PALM SUNDAY, APRIL 10** Join us at the 10:30 AM service. The children will sing for us during the worship service.
- **GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 15** Join us on Friday, April 15 at 7:00 PM as we gather to remember the sacrifice Christ made for us. We will be celebrating the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper.
- EASTER SUNDAY MORNING, APRIL 17 Come and celebrate the joy of the resurrection on Easter Sunday, April 17 at 10:30 AM as we gather to celebrate his joyful victory over death.
- EASTER AFTERGLOW SERVICE, APRIL 17 The evening worship service will be a joint Christian Reformed Church service at Sumas CRC at 6:00 PM.

EASTER LILY FUNDRAISER

Support Oasis (7th & 8th grade youth ministry) by purchasing an Easter lily (\$15.00 each) in memory of a loved one or just for yourself. Lilies can be picked up on Sunday, April 17 following the 10:30 AM Easter Sunday worship service or during office hours the following week. Order forms are available on the Welcome Center. *Order forms and money can be turned in to the box on the Welcome Center or to the church office and must be received by* **Sunday**, April 10.

BABY BOTTLE FUNDRAISER

If you still have a baby bottle for the Whatcom County Pregnancy Clinic, please return them to the box in back of church or to the office ASAP!

** Note – if writing a check to put in the baby bottle, please make the check out to "Whatcom County Pregnancy Clinic".

DISCOVERY CLASS COMING SOON

Are you interested in learning more about joining our church, making profession of faith, or finding out more about First CRC? Discovery class covers who we are, how we got here, what we believe and what we do. If interested, contact Pastor Robert or the church office at 360-354-4560.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR TRIBE PROJECT

Laura B is looking for 1 or 2 volunteers to help setup for a youth group project on Wednesday, April 13. If you could spare about 90 minutes to help move and set up tables, lamps, and smaller items, please contact Laura.

HOUSING NEEDED FOR SERVE SPEAKER

Are you out of town June 25-July 2? Would you be willing to share your empty home with our SERVE speaker and his wife? Ron is the Ministry Ambassador for the ThereforeGo Ministry, which leads SERVE. Ron will be working and and his wife is taking vacation to come along to Lynden. The First CRC SERVE team would like to find a quiet place in the Lynden city limits for them to stay during the week of SERVE. If you're willing to volunteer your home, contact Laura B.

WORKSITES NEEDED FOR SERVE 2022

The SERVE team is looking for an additional worksite or two. If you or someone you know will need help with a big project (yard work, moving, etc.) in late June, we would love to help! Reach out to Molly or Steve if you have some work for us to do!

STUDENT FUNDRIVE FOR YOUTH DYNAMICS

Youth Dynamics is having a student Fundrive - clean out your closets and support Nooksack Valley Youth Dynamics! They are collecting clothes (men's, women's and children's clothes, coats, shoes, scarves, handbags, wallets, fashion accessories, ties, belts, backpacks, etc.) and household textiles (bedding, comforters, blankets, sheets, towels, linen, tablecloths, curtains, pillows, etc.) Please gather clothes and household textiles in bags. All items must be clean and in sellable condition. Donations can be put in the labeled box next to the church office or contact Tim N for larger donations. *All donations must be dropped to the box by the church office by Monday, April 11!*

UPCOMING MEETINGS

EDUCATION CLASSES

Education classes for 3rd -12th grade and adults meet on Sunday mornings at 9:30 AM. ** The final classes for the winter season will be April 10.

CADETS (1st-8th GRADE BOYS MINISTRY)

We will meet on Monday, April 11 at 7:00 PM in the church basement. For more information, contact Brian S.

SERVE LEADERSHIP

We will meet on Monday, April 11 at 7:00 PM in the Loft.

MOMS@1ST

Moms@1st will meet this week Tuesday, April 12 at 9:30 AM in the Loft. For more information, contact Sade N.

GEMS (2nd - 6th GRADE GIRLS MINISTRY)

GEMS meets on Wednesday, April 13 at 6:30 PM in the Ed. Building. For more information, contact Kim A or Sara B.

TRIBE (9th-12th GRADE MINISTRY)

Join us on Wednesday, April 13 at 7:30 PM in the church basement. For more information, contact Cal & Laura B, or Pastor Mike.

MENS BIBLE STUDY

We will meet again on Thursday, *April 21* at 7:00 PM in the church basement. For more information contact Pastor Robert.