

First Christian Reformed Church

Lynden, Washington

Announcements for May 22, 2022

Lord willing, this Sunday Pastor Robert W and Pastor Mike B will be leading us in worship at 10:30 AM and at 6:00 PM. This Sunday we will also have the ordination and installation of our newly elected elders and deacons at AM worship service.

Nursery is available for children up to 3 years in the Ed. 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.

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

May 22: Christian Hope Association, a ministry of the Christian Reformed Churches in Whatcom County overseeing Project Hope, and New Way Ministries. For more information, visit christianhopeassociation.org

May 29 AM: Benevolence Fund

May 29 PM (at Mt. View CRC): “Engedi Refuge is a long term residential program that provides safety, therapy and comprehensive assistance to women who have survived prostitution and sex trafficking. Engedi serves these women from a place of faith in Christ and seeks to share his love and grace to those who have never yet experienced it. Engedi has been established here in Whatcom County as a 501c3 nonprofit since 2013, and serves women from all over Washington State and around the country”

PRAYER AND PRAISE ITEMS

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- Jarred, son of Jeff & Renee, remains in the hospital with a couple of broken ribs and a fractured collarbone.
- Hank R is recovering from surgery. We praise God with Hank and his family as he received a very positive report following surgery. The doctors believe they were able to remove all the cancer and no more treatment will be necessary at this time. He will be rechecked in six months.
- John V is declining rapidly. Keep Jean in your prayers at this difficult time.
- Jo V is recovering from hip surgery this past week. She is at North Cascades for a couple of weeks while she recovers.
- Freda G is back at home at Lynden Manor.
- Berny D has completed his first round of chemo and is now making decisions about further treatment of his cancer.
- Dale A is at home and continuing therapy following a stroke.

THANK YOU

- Thank you to all who have been praying for Bob over that last 8 months while he was in the hospital with severe COVID. The prayers were very much felt and appreciated. We praise God for the healing He has done. Again thank you. ~ Bob and Barb I

TOGETHER SEEKING GOD'S FACE - 40 DAYS OF PRAYER

The CRC's Council of Delegates decided to consider the period leading up to synod 2022 as a special year of prayer called "Together Seeking God's Face." Executive Director Colin W expressed the hope that as a culmination of this year of prayer, synod would erupt into one continuous prayer meeting. We encourage everyone to join us as together we seek God's face. The theme for the week of May 22-28 will be "Resting in Jesus and the Spirit, Who are Interceding for Us".

NEWS AND UPDATES

AGAPE HOUSE OPPORTUNITY

The Agape House, the women's shelter for the Light House Mission, is trying to put together classes for the residents. If you are interested in facilitating a class at the Agape House, contact Cal B.

JOINT WORSHIP SERVICE - MAY 29 EVENING

We will be joining other area CRC churches at Mt. View CRC on Sunday evening, May 29 at 6:00 PM. There will be root beer floats and snacks in the fellowship hall following the service.

COLLEGE AND TECH GRADUATES

Are you graduating from college, community college or tech school this year? Let us know where you are graduating from and what degree or certificate you will receive. Contact the church office (360-354-4560, info@firsterclynden.org) with your graduation information.

GREETER AND COOKIE SCHEDULE

We are reimplementing our scheduling practice for greeters and cookies. Before Covid we scheduled all family units for greeters and cookies UNLESS you asked to be removed from the list. The office is asking again for you to contact the office if you would like your name to be taken OFF the list. Thank you in advanced to those who are willing and able to serve and bless our church family in these ways.

LYNDEN SERVE COMING JUNE 25 - JULY 2, 2022

LYNDEN SERVE IS ONLY 5 WEEKS AWAY!

We want to keep you up to date on how you can help with SERVE, so check the announcements each week for ways for YOU to be involved!

FIRST CHURCH FAMILIES

We are excited for your family to experience "SERVE 2022: GRATEFULL" with a devotional lesson, craft, Bible verse poster, song sheet, and coloring pencils, suggested ages 6-12. Order your box by going to the link below. Box pick up will be Sunday, June 19 and 26 in the foyer or M-F (7/20-7/25 at the church office.
https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1s924eVtBrrL6uOsgfhMwk82I0hOn1aE8cCI0Y3TYDtE/viewform?edit_request=true

UPCOMING MEETINGS

CADETS (1st – 8th GRADE BOYS MINISTRY):

This week Monday, May 23 is the Cadet's Year End Fishing Extravaganza at Meenderinck's pond. We will start at 6:30 PM and go till dusk (around 8:30 PM). All fathers, mothers, sisters, brothers are invited to enjoy a night of fishing, swimming, and food! Bring your fishing gear (if you have some) and swim shorts (if you want to swim). Cadet shirts are not needed...please leave them at home. If you have any questions, call Brian S.

COUNCIL ORIENTATION

All newly elders and deacons will meet on Tuesday, May 24 at 7:00 PM in the council room for orientation.

TRIBE (9th-12th GRADE MINISTRY)

Ruckus At The River- Tribe's annual end of the year event will be happening Wednesday, May 25. We will be leaving the church at 7:00 PM to enjoy food, activities, and fellowship at the river before summer begins. We will have everyone back at the church at 9:00 p.m. If you would like, you are invited to bring a folding chair. We look forward to seeing the students there! Questions or for more information, contact Cal & Laura B, or Pastor Mike.