

First Christian Reformed Church
Lynden, Washington
July 10, 2022 – 6:00 p.m. Worship Service

Call to Worship: *Psalm 34:11, 15*

*Come, O children, listen to me; I will teach you the fear of the LORD.
The eyes of the LORD are toward the righteous and his ears toward their cry.*

Opening Prayer

Sing to the Lord, Sing His Praise

Sing to the Lord, sing His praise, all you peoples;
New be your song as new honors you pay.
Sing of His majesty, praise Him forever,
Show His salvation from day to day.

Tell of His wondrous works, tell of His glory,
Till through the nations His Name is revered.
Praise and exalt Him, for He is almighty;
God over all, let the Lord be feared.

Give unto God Most High glory and honor;
Come with your offerings and humbly draw near;
Worship the Lord in all beauty and splendor;
Tremble before Him with godly fear.

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Lord, I Lift Your Name on High

Lord, I lift Your name on high; Lord, I love to sing Your praises.
I'm so glad You're in my life; I'm so glad You came to save us.
You came from heaven to earth to show the way;
From the earth to the cross, my debt to pay.
From the cross to the grave, from the grave to the sky, Lord, I lift Your Name on high.

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God's Holy Ways Are Just and True

God's holy ways are just and true, His promises are ever new: O praise Him, alleluia!
Let every heart with praises sing and make this house with voices ring:
O praise Him, O praise Him! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Bring back to mind His grace and love, our needs provided from above: O praise Him, alleluia!
He kept His word and Jesus came to make a people for His name:
O praise Him, O praise Him! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Tell once again His deeds of old, the story of our mighty God: O praise Him, alleluia!
For all His glorious works and ways we shall rejoice through endless days:
O praise Him, O praise Him! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

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Profession of Faith: *Psalm 34:1,2,4,7,8*

*I will bless the LORD at all times;
his praise shall continually be in my mouth.
My soul makes its boast in the LORD;
let the humble hear and be glad.
I sought the LORD, and he answered me
and delivered me from all my fears.
The angel of the LORD encamps
around those who fear him, and delivers them.
Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good!
Blessed is the man who takes refuge in him!*

Offering: Al & Julie

Evening Prayer

Wonderful Words of Life

Sing them over again to me, wonderful words of life;
Let me more of their beauty see, wonderful words of life.
Words of life and beauty, teach me faith and duty:
Beautiful words, wonderful words, wonderful words of Life.
Beautiful words, wonderful words, wonderful words of Life.

Christ, the blessed One, gives to all, wonderful words of life;
Listen well to the loving call, wonderful words of life.
All the wondrous story, showing us His glory:
Beautiful words, wonderful words, wonderful words of Life.
Beautiful words, wonderful words, wonderful words of Life.

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Scripture: Ecclesiastes 8:10-17 (ESV)

¹⁰ Then I saw the wicked buried. They used to go in and out of the holy place and were praised in the city where they had done such things. This also is vanity. ¹¹ Because the sentence against an evil deed is not executed speedily, the heart of the children of man is fully set to do evil. ¹² Though a sinner does evil a hundred times and prolongs his life, yet I know that it will be well with those who fear God, because they fear before him. ¹³ But it will not be well with the wicked, neither will he prolong his days like a shadow, because he does not fear before God.

¹⁴ There is a vanity that takes place on earth, that there are righteous people to whom it happens according to the deeds of the wicked, and there are wicked people to whom it happens according to the deeds of the righteous. I said that this also is vanity. ¹⁵ And I commend joy, for man has nothing better under the sun but to eat and drink and be joyful, for this will go with him in his toil through the days of his life that God has given him under the sun.

¹⁶ When I applied my heart to know wisdom, and to see the business that is done on earth, how neither day nor night do one's eyes see sleep, ¹⁷ then I saw all the work of God, that man cannot find out the work that is done under the sun. However much man may toil in seeking, he will not find it out. Even though a wise man claims to know, he cannot find it out.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Message: Those Who Fear God Will Do Well

Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above

Sing praise to God who reigns above, the God of all creation,
The God of power, the God of love, the God of our salvation;
With healing balm my soul he fills, and ev'ry faithless murmur stills: to God all praise and glory!

What God's almighty power hath made His gracious mercy keepeth;
By morning glow or evening shade His watchful eye ne'er sleepeth.
Within the kingdom of his might, Lo! all is just and all is right: to God all praise and glory!

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God's Blessing

Lord, Dismiss Us With Your Blessing

Lord, dismiss us with Your blessing; fill our hearts with joy and peace.
Let us each, Your love possessing, triumph in redeeming grace.
O refresh us, O refresh us, traveling through this wilderness.

Thanks we give and adoration for Your gospel's joyful sound.
May the fruits of Your salvation in our hearts and lives abound.
Ever faithful, ever faithful to the truth may we be found.

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Music: Sharon A

Offering will be received for Al & Julie, working with Operation Mobilization in Belgium, one of the least reached nations in the world. They live in Zaventem Village in the Flemish speaking part of Belgium. Al is the Director of Operations and is involved in building and maintenance, ZavCentre (a 60-bed hospitality and conference center supporting both local and global missions and ministry) and a church plant. Julie is the OM bookkeeper. Al has been battling leukemia for 2 years. Covid closed ZavCentre and restricted meetings and outreach. For more information, visit www.om.org/be/be_en.