

# First Christian Reformed Church

## Lynden, Washington

### Announcements for July 17, 2022

#### Upcoming Schedule:

**Sunday, July 17 - 10:30 AM** – Message: *Acts 22:22-29 "Paul and the Roman Tribune"* (Pastor Robert)

**Sunday, July 17 - 6:00 PM** – Message: *Ecclesiastes 9:1-6 "Solomon Against the Grain"* (Pastor Mike)

**Sunday, July 24 - 10:30 AM** – Message: *Acts 22:30-23:11 "Paul Before the Council"* (Pastor Robert)

**Sunday, July 24 - 6:00 PM** – Message: *Ecclesiastes 9:7-10 "Death Comes to All"* (Pastor Robert)

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

Children's Church is available for children 3 years–3rd grade during the morning service. Children are invited to leave during the service to go to the Ed Building.

After the Morning Worship Service, join us for a time of fellowship in the church basement or on the church lawn (weather dependent).

### TITHES AND OFFERINGS

#### UPCOMING OFFERINGS

- **July 17:** Missions and Outreach Fund is utilized by the Deacons to assist organizations that need a smaller level of support than a full offering. Often these are for one-time emergencies or capital projects. With the limited number of Sunday offerings available, this allows the Deacons flexibility to offer assistance quickly when needs arise in the community. It is also utilized to fully fund our obligations to our missionaries when the weekly offerings are less than what we have committed to them.
- **July 24:** Gideons
- **July 31:** Christian School Tuition Assistance

#### Tithes and offerings can be given the following ways:

Placed in the offering bag on Sunday, mailed to the church office (1010 Front Street, Lynden, WA 98264), dropped off during the week (at the church office during office hours or in the outside locking mailbox after hours), or electronically through a bill pay service or with Tithe.ly.

### PRAYER AND PRAISE ITEMS

#### BIRTHDAY GREETINGS

- Joyce H celebrates her 87th birthday on July 17.
- Shirley B celebrates her 87th birthday on July 19.
- Don S celebrates his 80th birthday on July 19.

#### PRAYER ITEMS

- Ken L is still looking for an apartment or room to rent. Keep him in your prayers as he currently has very short-term housing with an acquaintance, but would like to get into a permanent place soon.

#### THANK YOU

- Dear family at First CRC, As many of you know, my cancer is in remission again and my chemotherapy and radiation is complete for now. As usual, there are still a variety of tests in the future. We thank God for all of this. We also thank God for all of your prayers, cards and other expressions of encouragement, they were much appreciated. Some other great news, we finally get to go on vacation. We have a "granddaughter" getting married in South Dakota next Saturday and God willing we will be there. Please continue praying that we stay awake for the long drive. Sincerely, Berny & Vicky
- The Helping Hands wish to thank the congregation for your generous offering. We could not continue without your support and we appreciate each one of you. One of our current projects is making quilts for every student and staff member of the Uvalde, Texas School District. Helping Hands hopes to have 8 quilts completed and sent out with encouragement cards to arrive in Texas so each child will receive their gift on the first day of school. Our quilts are part of a nationwide effort in cooperation with the Linus Project. Again, thank you. May the works of our hands be pleasing to God.

## NEWS and MEETINGS

### **RASPBERRY FESTIVAL THIS WEEKEND**

The Northwest Raspberry Festival will be taking place Friday, July 15- Saturday, July 16 in downtown Lynden, with some events, such as the Razz & Shine Car Show, will be taking place on Front Street near church. Just a reminder that because of these events, the church parking lot may be full and the buildings more difficult to access on those days. Thank you for your patience!

### **PRAY FOR AMERICA**

The Pray for America prayer meeting will be on Monday, July 18 at 7:00 PM in the Prayer Room. For more information, contact Melinda B.

### **CEDAR SPRINGS OPEN HOUSE – SUNDAY, JULY 24**

This year Cedar Springs is celebrating 40 years of serving the church here in Whatcom County! To celebrate, we are hosting an Open House on Sunday, July 24 from 12-5 PM and we want to extend a personal invitation to you and your church family to join us for this event. We are so grateful for the work God is doing in our local area, and we continue to pray for your ministry here as well. We hope to be able to celebrate with you!

~ Dave L, Cedar Springs Executive Director

### **CHURCH PICNIC - MONDAY, JULY 25**

The theme for our annual church picnic is “Take Me Out To The Ball Game”, so put on your favorite team shirt, hat/cap, or jersey and join us **promptly at 6:30 PM on Monday, July 25 at Berthusen Park.**

Menu will include hot dogs or sloppy joes, baked beans, and potato salad. **Congregation members are requested to bring desserts.** Tableware, plates, and drinks will be provided.

There will be a candy toss for the younger children, as in the past. For other entertainment there will be a slow-pitch softball game between the younger generation and those who probably should know better! If you have protective gear (such as a helmet) or favorite bat or glove please bring it along. Please bring a lawn chair if you plan to watch the game and do not want to sit on the bleachers. **Please sign up for the softball game on the sheet provided in the back of the church.**

## ROCK THE BLOCK 2022

Rock the Block 2022 is coming July 26 - 28 from 9 AM-12:30 PM. Then on Friday, July 29 we invite the whole family to join us for an evening of fun!

## CHURCH INFORMATION

### **First Christian Reformed Church**

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Office Hours: Monday - Friday 8:30 AM - 12:30 PM