

First Christian Reformed Church
Lynden, Washington
October 9, 2022 – 6:00 p.m. Worship Service

Call to Worship: *Psalm 134*

*Come, bless the Lord, all you servants of the Lord,
who stand by night in the house of the Lord!
Lift up your hands to the holy place and bless the Lord!
May the Lord bless you from Zion, he who made heaven and earth!*

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.

Vain are the idols and gods of the nations;
God made the heavens and his glory they tell.
Splendor and majesty shine out before him;
Glory and strength in his temple dwell.

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Jesus is All the World to Me

Jesus is all the world to me, my life, my joy, my all;
He is my strength from day to day, without Him I would fall.
When I am sad, to Him I go, no other one can cheer me so;
When I am sad, He makes me glad, He's my Friend.

Jesus is all the world to me, and true to Him I'll be;
Oh, how could I this Friend deny, when He's so true to me?
Following Him I know I'm right, He watches o'er me day and night;
Following Him by day and night, He's my Friend.

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All Things are Yours

All things are yours! We make that true when we return our gifts to you.
And so we give, and so we share, in Christ's strong name expressing care.

"Give out of love," your Word commands, we are your head, your heart, your hands.
Your Word you underscore with deeds by using us to answer needs.

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Profession of Faith: Larger Catechism (Zacharias Ursinus), Q&A 1

What firm comfort do you have in life and in death?

**That I was created by God in his image for eternal life,
and after I willingly lost this in Adam,
out of his infinite and gracious mercy
God received me into his covenant of grace,
so that because of the obedience and death of his Son
sent in the flesh,
he might give me as a believer
righteousness and eternal life.**

**It is also that he sealed his covenant, in my heart
by his Spirit, who renews me in the image of God
and cries out in me, "Abba, Father,"
by his Word and by the visible signs of this covenant.**

Take Time to be Holy

Take time to be holy, speak often with God;
Find rest in Him always, and feed on His Word.
Make friends of God's children, help those who are weak;
Forgetting in nothing His blessing to seek.

Take time to be holy, the world rushes on;
Much time spend in secret, with Jesus alone.
By looking to Jesus, like Him Thou shalt be;
Thy friends in thy conduct His likeness shall see.

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Offering: Memli & Luiza

Evening Prayer

Teach Me, O Lord, Thy Way of Truth

Teach me, O Lord, Thy way of truth, and from it I will not depart;
That I may steadfastly obey, give me an understanding heart.

In Thy commandments make me walk, for in Thy law my joy shall be;
Give me a heart that loves Thy will, from discontent and envy free.

Turn Thou mine eyes from vanity, and cause me in Thy ways to tread;
O let Thy servant prove Thy Word and thus to godly fear be led.

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Scripture: *Ecclesiastes 1:2*

Vanity of vanities, says the Preacher, vanity of vanities! All is vanity.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Message: *Do We Believe Ecclesiastes?*

At Calvary

Years I spent in vanity and pride, caring not my Lord was crucified,
Knowing not it was for me He died on Calvary.

Refrain: Mercy there was great and grace was free;
Pardon there was multiplied to me;
There my burdened soul found liberty, at Calvary.

By God's Word at last my sin I learned; then I trembled at the law I'd spurned,
Till my guilty soul imploring turned to Calvary. *Refrain*

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God's Blessing

At Calvary

Now I've given to Jesus everything; now I gladly own Him as my King;
Now my raptured soul can only sing of Calvary.

Refrain: Mercy there was great and grace was free;
Pardon there was multiplied to me;
There my burdened soul found liberty, at Calvary.

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