

First Christian Reformed Church
Lynden, Washington
October 16, 2022 – 6:00 p.m. Worship Service

Call to Worship: *Psalm 93:1-2*

*The LORD reigns, he is robed in majesty; the LORD is robed in majesty and armed with strength;
indeed, the world is established, firm and secure.*

Your throne was established long ago; you are from all eternity.

Opening Prayer

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

Immortal, invisible, God only wise, in light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days. Almighty, victorious, Thy great name we praise.

To all, life Thou givest, to both great and small; in all life Thou livest, the true life of all;
We blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree, and wither and perish – but naught changeth Thee.

Great Father of glory, pure Father of light, Thine angels adore Thee, all veiling their sight;
All praise we would render: O help us to see 'tis only the splendor of light hideth Thee.

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Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise Him, for He is thy health and salvation!
All ye who hear, now to His temple draw near; join me in glad adoration!

Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore Him!
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before Him.
Let the Amen sound from His people again; gladly for aye we adore Him

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Majesty

Majesty, worship His majesty unto Jesus be all glory, honor, and praise.
Majesty, kingdom authority flow from His throne unto His own; His anthem raise.
So exalt, lift up on high the name of Jesus.
Magnify, come glorify Christ Jesus, the King.
Majesty, worship His majesty Jesus who died, now glorified, King of all kings.

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Profession of Faith: Heidelberg Catechism Lord's Day 9 Q&A 26

What do you believe when you say, "I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth"?

**That the eternal Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
who out of nothing created heaven and earth and everything in them,
who still upholds and rules them by his eternal counsel and providence,
is my God and Father for the sake of Christ his Son.
I trust God so much that I do not doubt
he will provide whatever I need for body and soul,
and will turn to my good whatever adversity he sends upon me in this vale of tears.
He is able to do this because he is almighty God;
he desires to do this because he is a faithful Father.**

Wonderful, Merciful Savior

Wonderful, merciful Savior, Precious Redeemer and Friend;
Who would have thought that a Lamb could rescue the souls of men?
Oh, You rescue the souls of men. *Refrain*

Refrain You are the One that we praise, You are the One we adore.
You give the healing and grace our hearts always hunger for,
Oh, our hearts always hunger for.

Almighty, infinite Father, faithfully loving Your own; here in our weakness You find us
Falling before Your throne, oh, we're falling before Your throne. *Refrain*

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Offering: Friend of Sinners Reformed Church

Evening Prayer

Ancient Words

Holy words long preserved for our walk in this world,
They resound with God's own heart. O, let the ancient words impart.
Words of life, words of hope, give us strength, help us cope.
In this world where'er we roam, ancient words will guide us home. *Refrain*

Refrain: Ancient words, ever true, changing me and changing you;
We have come with open hearts, O, let the ancient words impart.

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Scripture: *Isaiah 40:9-31*

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Message: *Behold Your God*

To God Be the Glory

To God be the glory, great things He hath done!
So loved He the world that He gave us His Son,
Who yielded His life an atonement for sin
And opened the lifegate that all may go in. *Refrain*

Refrain: Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the earth hear His voice.
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the people rejoice.
O come to the Father through Jesus the Son,
And give Him the glory, great things He hath done.

O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood,
To every believer the promise of God;
The vilest offender who truly believes,
That moment from Jesus a pardon receives. *Refrain*

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God's Blessing

To God Be the Glory

Great things He hath taught us, great things He hath done,
And great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son;
But purer, and higher and greater will be
Our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see. *Refrain*

Refrain: Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the earth hear His voice.
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the people rejoice.
O come to the Father through Jesus the Son,
And give Him the glory, great things He hath done.

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Pastors: Mike B, Scott R, Robert W

Music: Nancy Z

Offering will be received for Friend of Sinners Reformed Church, is a church plant in eastern Whatcom County with Pastor Aaron D. The ministry consists of outreach and discipleship in Maple Falls and Kendall through a Thursday night worship and teaching service in Maple Falls and Sunday services in Everson.

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