

First Christian Reformed Church

Lynden, Washington

October 16, 2022 – 6:00 p.m. Worship Service

Call to Worship: *Psalm 47:1-2, 5-6 (NRSV)*

Clap your hands, all you peoples; shout to God with loud songs of joy.

For the LORD, the Most High, is awesome, a great king over all the earth.

God has gone up with a shout, the LORD with the sound of a trumpet.

Sing praises to God, sing praises; sing praises to our King, sing praises.

Opening Prayer

Clap Your Hands

Clap your hands all ye people, shout unto God with a voice of triumph!

Clap your hands all ye people, shout unto God with a voice of praise! Hosanna, hosanna,

Shout unto God with a voice of triumph! Praise Him, praise Him.

Shout unto God with a voice of praise!

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For the Beauty of the Earth

For the beauty of the earth, for the glory of the skies,

For the love which from our birth over and around us lies;

Refrain: Lord of all, to Thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.

For the wonder of each hour of the day and of the night,

Hill and vale and tree and flower, sun and moon and stars of light: *Refrain*

For Thyself, best gift divine, to our race so freely given;

For that great, great love of Thine, peace on earth and joy in heaven. *Refrain*

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The Heavens Declare Your Glory

The heavens declare your glory, the firmament your power;

Day unto day the story repeats from hour to hour.

Night unto night replying, proclaims in every land,

O Lord, with voice undying, the wonders of your hand.

All heaven on high rejoices to do its Maker's will;

The stars with solemn voices resound your praises still.

So let my whole behavior; each thought, each deed I do,

Be, Lord, my strength, my Savior, a ceaseless song to you.

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Profession of Faith: Psalm 19:1-4, 7-9 (NIV)

The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of his hands.

Day after day they pour forth speech; night after night they reveal knowledge.

They have no speech, they use no words; no sound is heard from them.

Yet their voice goes out into all the earth, their words to the ends of the world.

The law of the LORD is perfect, refreshing the soul.

The statutes of the LORD are trustworthy, making wise the simple.

The precepts of the LORD are right, giving joy to the heart.

The commands of the LORD are radiant, giving light to the eyes.

The fear of the LORD is pure, enduring forever.

The decrees of the LORD are firm, and all of them are righteous.

Offering: Building the Future

Be Still, For the Presence

Be still, for the presence of the Lord, the Holy One, is here;

Come bow before him now with reverence and fear:

In him no sin is found; we stand on holy ground.

Be still, for the presence of the Lord, the Holy One, is here.

Be still, for the power of the Lord is moving in this place;

He comes to cleanse and heal, to minister his grace

No work too hard for him, in faith receive from him.

Be still, for the power of the Lord is moving in this place.

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Evening Prayer

Open the Eyes of My Heart

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord; open the eyes of my heart,
I want to see you, I want to see you.
Open the eyes of my heart, Lord; open the eyes of my heart,
I want to see you, I want to see you.

To see you high and lifted up, shining in the light of your glory.
Pour out your power and love as we sing holy, holy, holy.

Holy, holy, holy, Holy, holy, holy, Holy, holy, holy. I want to see you.
Holy, holy, holy, Holy, holy, holy, Holy, holy, holy. I want to see you.

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Scripture: *Ecclesiastes 3:9-15*

⁹What gain has the worker from his toil? ¹⁰I have seen the business that God has given to the children of man to be busy with. ¹¹He has made everything beautiful in its time. Also, he has put eternity into man's heart, yet so that he cannot find out what God has done from the beginning to the end. ¹²I perceived that there is nothing better for them than to be joyful and to do good as long as they live; ¹³also that everyone should eat and drink and take pleasure in all his toil—this is God's gift to man. ¹⁴I perceived that whatever God does endures forever; nothing can be added to it, nor anything taken from it. God has done it, so that people fear before him. ¹⁵That which is, already has been; that which is to be, already has been; and God seeks what has been driven away.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Message: *Life Under the Sun, God Has Done It*

All the Way My Savior Leads Me

All the way my Savior leads me – what have I to ask beside?
Can I doubt His tender mercy, who through life has been my guide.
Heavenly peace, divinest comfort, here by faith in Him to dwell!
For I know, whate'er befall me, Jesus doeth all things well;
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All the way my Savior leads me – O the fullness of His love!
Perfect rest to me is promised in my Father's house above.
When my spirit, clothed immortal, wings its flight to realms of day,
This my song through endless ages: Jesus led me all the way;
This my song through endless ages: Jesus led me all the way.

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God's Blessing

By the Sea of Crystal

By the sea of crystal saints in glory stand,
Myriads in number, drawn from every land.
Robed in white apparel, washed in Jesus' blood,
They now reign in heaven with the Lamb of God.

"Unto God Almighty, sitting on the throne,
And the Lamb, victorious, be the praise alone."
God has wrought salvation; He did wondrous things.
Who shall not extol thee, holy King of kings!

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