

**First Christian Reformed Church**  
Lynden, Washington  
November 20, 2022 – 6:00 p.m. Worship Service

**Call to Worship:** *Isaiah 44:23*

*Sing for joy, you heavens, for the LORD has done this;  
shout aloud, you earth beneath.*

***Burst into song, you mountains,  
you forests and all your trees,  
for the LORD has redeemed Jacob,  
he displays his glory in Israel.***

**Opening Prayer**

***I Sing the Mighty Power of God***

I sing the mighty power of God, that made the mountains rise;  
That spread the flowing seas abroad, and built the lofty skies.  
I sing the wisdom that ordained the sun to rule the day;  
The moon shines full at His command, and all the stars obey.

I sing the goodness of the Lord that filled the earth with food;  
He formed the creatures with His word and then pronounced them good.  
Lord, how Thy wonders are displayed where'er I turn my eye:  
If I survey the ground I tread or gaze upon the sky!

There's not a plant or flower below but makes Thy glories known,  
And clouds arise and tempests blow, by order from Thy throne.  
While all that borrows life from Thee is ever in Thy care;  
And everywhere that man can be, Thou, God, art present there.

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***Before the Throne of God Above***

Before the throne of God above I have a strong, and perfect plea:  
A great High Priest, whose name is Love, who ever lives and pleads for me.  
My name is graven on his hands, my name is written on his heart;  
I know that while in heaven he stands, no tongue can bid me thence depart,  
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Behold him there, the risen Lamb my perfect, spotless righteousness,  
The great unchangeable I am, the King of glory and of grace!  
One with himself, I cannot die my soul is purchased by his blood;  
My life is hid with Christ on high, with Christ, my Savior and my God,  
With Christ, my Savior and my God.

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***How Deep the Father's Love***

How deep the Father's love for us, how vast beyond all measure  
That He should give His only Son to make a wretch His treasure.  
How great the pain of searing loss. The Father turns His face away  
As wounds which mar the Chosen One bring many sons to glory.

Behold the Man upon the cross, my sin upon His shoulders.  
Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice call out among the scoffers.  
It was my sin that held Him there until it was accomplished;  
His dying breath has brought me life. I know that it is finished.

I will not boast in anything; no gifts, no pow'r, no wisdom.  
But I will boast in Jesus Christ: His death and resurrection.  
Why should I gain from His reward? I cannot give an answer.  
But this I know with all my heart: His wounds have paid my ransom.

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**Profession of Faith: *The Apostles' Creed***

**I believe in God the Father almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ,**

**his only begotten Son, our Lord;  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary;  
suffered under Pontius Pilate;  
was crucified, dead, and buried;  
he descended into hell;  
the third day he rose again from the dead  
he ascended to heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand  
of God the Father almighty;  
from there he shall come to judge  
the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit.**

**I believe in a holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints;  
the forgiveness of sins;  
the resurrection of the body;  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**Offering:** Building the Future Fund

***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:* 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.

Counselor, Comforter, Keeper, Spirit we long to embrace;  
You offer hope when our hearts have hopelessly lost the way,  
Oh, we hopelessly lost the way. *Refrain*

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**Evening Prayer**

***Your Word is Everlasting Truth***

Your Word is everlasting truth. How pure is every page!  
That holy book shall guide my youth and well support my age.  
It's like the sun, a heavenly light that guides us all the day,  
And through the dangers of the night a lamp to lead the way.

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**Scripture: *II Kings 22:11-20***

<sup>11</sup> When the king heard the words of the Book of the Law, he tore his clothes. <sup>12</sup> And the king commanded Hilkiah the priest, and Ahikam the son of Shaphan, and Achbor the son of Micaiah, and Shaphan the secretary, and Asaiah the king's servant, saying, <sup>13</sup> "Go, inquire of the LORD for me, and for the people, and for all Judah, concerning the words of this book that has been found. For great is the wrath of the LORD that is kindled against us, because our fathers have not obeyed the words of this book, to do according to all that is written concerning us."

<sup>14</sup> So Hilkiah the priest, and Ahikam, and Achbor, and Shaphan, and Asaiah went to Huldah the prophetess, the wife of Shallum the son of Tikvah, son of Harhas, keeper of the wardrobe (now she lived in Jerusalem in the Second Quarter), and they talked with her. <sup>15</sup> And she said to them, "Thus says the LORD, the God of Israel: 'Tell the man who sent you to me, <sup>16</sup> Thus says the LORD, Behold, I will bring disaster upon this place and upon its inhabitants, all the words of the book that the king of Judah has read. <sup>17</sup> Because they have forsaken me and have made offerings to other gods, that they might provoke me to anger with all the work of their hands, therefore my wrath will be kindled against this place, and it will not be quenched. <sup>18</sup> But to the king of Judah, who sent you to inquire of the LORD, thus shall you say to him,

*Thus says the LORD, the God of Israel: Regarding the words that you have heard, <sup>19</sup> because your heart was penitent, and you humbled yourself before the LORD, when you heard how I spoke against this place and against its inhabitants, that they should become a desolation and a curse, and you have torn your clothes and wept before me, I also have heard you, declares the LORD.*

*<sup>20</sup> Therefore, behold, I will gather you to your fathers, and you shall be gathered to your grave in peace, and your eyes shall not see all the disaster that I will bring upon this place. ” And they brought back word to the king.*

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Message:** *Huldah the Prophetess*

***Have Thine Own Way Lord***

Have Thine own way, Lord! Have Thine own way!  
Search me and try me, Master, today!  
Whiter than snow, Lord, wash me just now, as in Thy presence humbly I bow.

Have Thine own way, Lord! Have Thine own way!  
Hold o'er my being absolute sway!  
Fill with Thy Spirit 'til all shall see Christ only, always, living in me!

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**God's Blessing**

***Lord, Dismiss Us With Your Blessing***

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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