

First Christian Reformed Church
Lynden, Washington
January 8, 2023 ~ 6:00 PM Worship Service

Call to Worship: *Exodus 15:11-13*

Who is like you, O LORD, among the gods?

Who is like you, majestic in holiness, awesome in glorious deeds, doing wonders?

*You have led in your steadfast love the people whom you have redeemed;
you have guided them by your strength to your holy abode.*

Opening Prayer

Amid the Thronging Worshipers

Amid the thronging worshipers the Lord, our God, I bless;
Before His people gathered here His name will I confess.
Come, praise him, all who fear the Lord, the children of His grace;
With reverence sound His glories forth and bow before His face.

He feeds with good the humble soul and satisfies the meek,
And they shall live and praise the Lord who for His mercy seek.
The ends of all the earth will hear, the nations seek the Lord;
They worship Him, the King of kings, in earth and heaven adored.

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Come, All You People, Praise Our God

Come, all you people, praise our God and tell his glorious works abroad, who holds our souls in life;
He never lets our feet be moved and, though our faith he often proved, upholds us in the strife.

We come with offerings to his house, and here we pay the solemn vows we uttered in distress;
To him our all we dedicate, to him we wholly consecrate the lives his mercies bless.

Come, listen, all who fear the Lord, while I with grateful heart record what God has done for me;
I cried to him in deep distress, and now his wondrous grace I bless, for he has set me free.

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He Giveth More Grace

He giveth more grace when the burdens grows greater.
He sendeth more strength when the labors increase;
To added affliction He addeth His mercy,
To multiplied trials, His multiplied peace.

Refrain: His love has no limit, His grace has no measure,
His power has no boundary known unto men;
For out of His infinite riches in Jesus,
He giveth, and giveth, and giveth again!

When we have exhausted our store of endurance,
When our strength has failed ere the day is half done,
When we reach the end of our hoarded resources,
Our Father's full giving is only begun. *Refrain*

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Profession of Faith: Our World Belongs to God #1 & 6

As followers of Jesus Christ, living in this world—
which some seek to control, but which others view with despair—
we declare with joy and trust: Our world belongs to God!

**We rejoice in the goodness of God, renounce the works of darkness, and dedicate ourselves to holy living.
As covenant partners, called to faithful obedience, and set free for joyful praise,
we offer our hearts and lives to do God's work in his world.**

With tempered impatience, eager to see injustice ended, we expect the Day of the Lord.

**And we are confident that the light which shines in the present darkness
will fill the earth when Christ appears.**

Offering: Al & Julie

Evening Prayer

Trusting Jesus

Simply trusting every day, trusting through a stormy way;
Even when my faith is small, trusting Jesus that is all.

Refrain: Trusting as the moments fly, trusting as the days go by;
Trusting Him whate'er befall, trusting Jesus that is all.

Brightly doth His Spirit shine into this poor heart of mine;
While He leads I cannot fall, trusting Jesus that is all. *Refrain*

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Scripture: *Deuteronomy 5:1-6*

¹ And Moses summoned all Israel and said to them, “Hear, O Israel, the statutes and the rules that I speak in your hearing today, and you shall learn them and be careful to do them. ² The LORD our God made a covenant with us in Horeb. ³ Not with our fathers did the LORD make this covenant, but with us, who are all of us here alive today.

⁴ The LORD spoke with you face to face at the mountain, out of the midst of the fire, ⁵ while I stood between the LORD and you at that time, to declare to you the word of the LORD. For you were afraid because of the fire, and you did not go up into the mountain. He said:

⁶ “I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Message: *Ten Commandments: Introduction*

Teach Me, O Lord, Your Way of Truth

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

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

(“Teach Me, O Lord, Your Way of Truth” words Psalm 119:33-40, Psalter 1912 © words and music Public Domain CCLI #358926 Streaming License #20317932)

God’s Blessing

Abide With Me

Abide with me; fast falls the eventide.
The darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide.
When other helpers fail and comforts flee,
Help of the helpless, O abide with me.

I need Thy presence every passing hour.
What but Thy grace can foil the tempter’s power?
Who, like Thyself, my Guide and Stay can be?
Thro’ cloud and sunshine, O abide with me.

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Pastors: Robert W

Music: Lisa Q

Offering will be received for Al & Julie, working with Operation Mobilization in Belgium, one of the least reached nations in the world. They live in Zaventem Village in the Flemish speaking part of Belgium. Al is the Director of Operations and is involved in building and maintenance, ZavCentre (a 60-bed hospitality and conference center supporting both local and global missions and ministry) and a church plant. Julie is the OM bookkeeper. Al has been battling leukemia. For more information, visit www.om.org/be/be_en.

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