

# First Christian Reformed Church

## Lynden, Washington

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*Announcements for January 15, 2023*  
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### WORSHIP SERVICES

#### **Sunday, January 15 - 10:30 AM**

*Ephesians 4:26-27, 30-32; I John 1:6-10 "Rx for Marriage (and All Other Relationships)" (Pastor Robert W)*

#### **Sunday, January 15 - 6:00 PM**

*Exodus 32:15-16; Matthew 22:36-40 "The Two Sides of the Ten Commandments" (Pastor Robert W)*

#### **Sunday, January 22 - 10:30 AM**

*Isaiah 46:4; II Corinthians 4:16-18 "The Sanctity of Old Age, Growing Old to the Glory of God" (Pastor Robert W)*

#### **Sunday, January 22 - 6:00 PM**

*Exodus 20:1-3; I John 5:21 "Ten Commandments, First Commandment" (Pastor Robert W)*

- **Nursery** is available for children up to 3 years in the Education Building during the Sunday morning service.
- **Children's Church** is available for children 3 years – 3rd grade during the Sunday morning service. Children are invited to leave during the service to go to the Education Building.
- **After the Morning Service**, join us for a time of fellowship in the basement.
- If you are unable to worship with us in person, we invite you to join us online. Our morning worship service will be livestreamed from our website ([firstcrclynden.org](http://firstcrclynden.org)) or can be viewed later from the livestream library.

### TITHES AND OFFERINGS

#### **UPCOMING OFFERINGS**

- January 15 - First CRC Benevolence Fund is used to help local people and families in times of need. For more information on the benevolence fund talk to any deacon.
- January 22 - Lynden Human Life
- January 29 - Jeff & Melissa

#### **TITHES**

You can give to the operating fund at any time; please use a blue envelope (additional available on the Welcome Center) or write "Operating Fund" on the check memo line.

#### **OFFERINGS CAN BE GIVEN THE FOLLOWING WAYS**

Placed in the offering bag on Sunday, mailed to the church office (1010 Front Street, Lynden, WA 98264), dropped off during the week (at the church office during office hours or in the outside locking mailbox after hours), or electronically through a bill pay service or with Tithe.ly.

#### **DEACON REPORT**

The report from the deacons for the month of December is available now in your church mailbox.

### PRAYER AND PRAISE ITEMS

#### **THANK YOU**

- Thank you Church Family for the prayers, cards and well wishes for recovery from my hip surgery and subsequent hospitalization for blood clots, flu and pneumonia. My special thanks to Elaine, Kara (T), Pastor Robert and Elder Brian V during this challenging period. Thanks be to God. ~ Ted S
- Thank to 1st CRC for helping us celebrate Christmas through Angles of Hope! We are always overwhelmed by the generosity of our community, and it makes a world of difference for those that come through our doors. We are wishing you all the very happiest of New Years! ~ with gratitude all of us at Project Hope

## PRAYER ITEMS

- Connie R is recovering from hip replacement surgery.
- Dan N, a First CRC missions partner with Lynden Human Life, is recovering from surgery.
- Dave R plans to have a heart catheterization on Monday.
- Pastor Les V is declining in health and now on hospice care.
- Berny D is undergoing cancer treatment.

## NEWS AND UPDATES

### **INTRODUCING GLOW (Girls Living Ot the Word)**

This past year the leaders of GEMS worked with the Education Ministry Team and the Council to decide on new curriculum for the First CRC girls ministry. Since September, they have been using the "My God Says Life Journal" by Not Consumed Ministries. The decision was made to also select a new name for this ministry, since this ministry is no longer affiliated with GEMS Girls Clubs. Starting in 2023, the First CRC girls ministry will now be known as GLOW (Girls Living Ot the Word). We know it will take some time to get used to calling it GLOW, so bear with us and each other if we refer to it as GEMS. If you would like more information about GLOW, contact Kim A.

### **SANCTITY OF HUMAN LIFE**

Next weekend, we are recognizing Sanctity of Human Life. You are invited to be part of this in a couple different ways.  
**\*\* Help Install Crosses TOMORROW, Saturday, January 14** - Join with other pro-life supporters as Lynden Human Life installs the "Cemetery of the Innocent" at 10:30 AM, on the Guide Meridian, just north of Axton Road. For more information, visit their Facebook events page (<https://www.facebook.com/events/1355817648511437/>).

**\*\* Join us in Worship on Sunday, January 22** - Our morning worship service will have a Sanctity of Human Life theme and the offering will be designated for Lynden Human Life ([www.lyndenhumanlife.org](http://www.lyndenhumanlife.org)).

**\*\* Pick Up a Baby Bottle on Sunday, January 22** - Following the morning worship service, pick up a baby bottle in the back of church to fill with change or monetary donations for the Whatcom County Pregnancy Clinic ([www.whatcomclinic.com/](http://www.whatcomclinic.com/)). If you miss picking one up on Sunday, extra bottles will be available during the week or the following Sundays. Bottles will be returned on March 12 during the Missions Celebration.

### **MISSIONS CELEBRATION - SAVE THE DATE**

Mark your calendars and plan to celebrate our missions partners with us on Saturday, March 11 and Sunday, March 12. Information will be available soon on how to sign up for our Missions Dinner.

## UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS

### **EDUCATION CLASSES**

Education classes for 3rd -12th grade and adults meet on Sunday mornings at 9:30 AM.

**Adults:** The Truth Project (Part 2) Led by David W and Glenn G in church basement.

**Infants – Kindergarten:** Childcare available in the Education Building

**1st grade - 3rd grade:** Led by Stephanie R in the Education Building

**4th grade – 5th grade:** Led by Andrew R in the Education Building

**6th grade – 8th grade:** Led by Glen B in the Education Building

**9th grade – 12th grade:** Led by Pastor Mike B in the Loft

### **WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY**

All women are invited to join us for a Bible Study of the Book of Deuteronomy, *Make it Count - Move Past Your Past and Live with Purpose Today*. We will be meet this Monday, January 16 at 10:30 AM in the Loft, study week one. For more information or to sign up, contact JoAnn R.

### **CADETS (1st – 8th GRADE BOYS MINISTRY)**

We will meet on Monday, January 16 at 7:00 PM. in the church basement for our regular meeting. For more information about Cadets, please contact Brian S.

### **MOMS@1ST**

Moms@1st will meet on Tuesday, January 16 at 9:30 AM in the Loft. For more information or if you have any questions, please contact Carly V.

### **PRAYER FOR AMERICA**

The Pray for America group will meet on Monday, January 16 at 7:00 PM in the Prayer Room.

**SERVE LEADERSHIP TEAM**

The SERVE leadership team will meet on Tuesday, January 17 at 7:00 PM in the Loft.

**COUNCIL**

Council will meet on Tuesday, January 17 at 7:00 PM in the church basement.

**TRIBE (9th-12th GRADE MINISTRY)**

All high schoolers are welcome to join us on Wednesday, January 18 at 7:30 PM in the Loft. For more information about Tribe, contact Pastor Mike B.

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