# **First Christian Reformed Church**

Lynden, Washington

Announcements for January 29, 2023

# **WORSHIP SERVICES**

### 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; Deuteronomy 6:5; I Chronicles 28:9"Only One True God" (Pastor Robert W)

# Sunday, February 5 - 10:30 AM - Cadet Sunday

Romans 1:1-2; Galatians 1:13-16 "The Apostle Paul" (Pastor Robert W)

## Sunday, February 5 - 6:00 PM

Exodus 20:4-6 "More Than an Image" (Pastor Mike B)

- 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.
- **Join us online** if you are unable to worship with us in person. Our morning worship service will be livestreamed from our website (firstcrclynden.org) or can be viewed later from the livestream library.

# **TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

### **UPCOMING OFFERINGS**

January 29 - Jeff & Melissa are missionaries in Muscat, Oman with Resonate Global Mission. Jeff serves as the Director of Programs & the Theological Educator at the Al Amana Centre. Melissa works with the Ecumenical Council of Charity. For more information, visit www.resonateglobalmission.org.

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

### CONTRIBUTION RECEIPTS

Tax statements of all contributions to First CRC were distributed this week in your mailboxes. If you did not receive one and think you need one, or if there is a mistake on your statement, contact the church office at 360-354-4560. If you used Tithe.ly, please log in and print your statement from your account. Thank you.

## PRAYER AND PRAISE ITEMS

#### **SYMPATHY**

• We extend our sympathy to Kristi N with the passing of her brother, Bob, on Sunday, January 22.

#### THANK YOU

• Thank you to our church family for the prayers and concern for Peggy well she was in the hospital. Thank you also to Pastor Robert for his visit, it was appreciated. ~ Bill & Peggy F

#### PRAYER ITEMS

- Dave R tentatively is schedule for open heart surgery on February 1 to fix a leaking aortic valve.
- Tatum and Trey, daughter and son of Dan & Sade, will both be going in to have their tonsils and adenoids taken out on Thursday, February 2. Pray for safe surgery for both and for patience in the recovery.
- Freda G is at Stafholt Nursing Home in Blaine for rehab following surgery on her hip.
- Peggy F is at home after a brief stay in the hospital last week.
- Connie R is recovering from hip replacement surgery.
- Berny D is undergoing cancer treatment.

# **NEWS AND UPDATES**

### INFORMATION MEETING ABOUT SUMMIT HOUSE IN LYNDEN

An informational meeting is being hosted by Phama Woodyard on Tuesday, January 31st, 7:00 PM at the parsonage. Come to meet Claudia B, Director of the house, ask questions and brainstorm about the many ways we can be involved in this new ministry of First CRC's Missions Ministry Team. RSVP to Phama if you can attend.

The **Summit House** is a launching pad for independence after women complete the Lighthouse Mission's Agape House program. It is an 'intentional friend' program to get the women plugged into a church as they transition to living on their own and for church members to come alongside them. The women are believers and want to grow in the Lord. They are required to take a Bible class at a church and to be working, going to school or a combination of the two. Each woman will have 2 friendship partners (either 2 women or a couple) who will do life together with her once a week and share prayer needs. Church members who do not feel they can commit to being friendship partners may reach out to the women in other ways such as sharing a meal, teaching a skill or sharing another interest. This is an opportunity for us to make a difference in these women's lives. The Summit Houses are a program of Envision Mission. This is the first house for women. There already are two Summit Houses for men in Bellingham and Lynden. Envision Mission will provide orientation and periodic meetings to review how things are going.

## JOIN US FOR LIFE GROUPS

LIFE groups are starting up again after a break for the holidays. We have 8 groups now meeting bi-weekly with a total of 80 people. If you would like to enjoy warm fellowship, Bible study, and building deeper relationships with First CRC folks, consider getting involved this year! We ask for a commitment through May. Please contact Pastor Robert or Pastor Mike if you are interested in joining a group or would like to facilitate a group.

## **GLOW SOUP SUPPER & BAKE SALE!**

Mark your calendar, the GLOW Soup Supper & Bake Sale will be Wednesday, February 8 from 5:00–7:00 PM in the Church Basement. Don't miss the delicious soups, salad and dessert! Also plan to stop by the bake sale table full of yummy goodies to purchase. All proceeds will go to the First CRC GLOW (formerly GEMS).

### 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 study of the Book of Deuteronomy, *Make it Count - Move Past Your Past and Live with Purpose Today*. We will be meet on Monday, January 30 at 10:30 AM in the Loft. For more information, contact JoAnn R.

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

Please note the schedule for the next two weeks - we have lots of stuff going! For more information about Cadets or any of these events, contact Brian S.

- Sunday, January 29 Cadet Sunday at Bethel CRC --- Cadets are asked to be at Bethel CRC by 10:00 AM, wearing their Cadet shirt and scarf.
- Monday, January 30 Regular meeting in the church basement, starting at 7:00 PM.
- Sunday, February 5 Cadet Sunday at First CRC --- Cadets are asked to be at First CRC by 10: AM, wearing their Cadet shirt and scarf.

#### MOMS@1ST

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

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

All high schoolers are welcome to join us on Wednesday, February 1 at 7:30 PM in the Loft. For more information about Tribe, contact Pastor Mike B.

# **CHURCH INFORMATION**

# First Christian Reformed Church

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