

# First Christian Reformed Church

## Lynden, Washington

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*Announcements for February 5, 2023*  
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### WORSHIP SERVICES

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

*Romans 1:1-2; Galatians 1:13-16 "Paul, the Unexpected Apostle" (Pastor Robert W)*

#### **Sunday, February 5 - 6:00 PM**

*Exodus 20:4-6 "Worship and the Will of God, Part I" (Pastor Mike B)*

#### **Sunday, February 12 - 10:30 AM**

*Romans 1:1-2 "A Slave of Christ" (Pastor Robert W)*

#### **Sunday, February 12 - 6:00 PM**

*Exodus 20:4-6; "Worship and the Will of God, Part II" (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 ([firstcrclinden.org](http://firstcrclinden.org)) or can be viewed later from the livestream library.

### TITHES AND OFFERINGS

#### **UPCOMING OFFERINGS**

- February 5 - First CRC Cadets, a ministry for 1<sup>st</sup>–8<sup>th</sup> grade boys and is led by Brian S and assisted by several other men in the congregation. For more information, talk to Brian, or any other Cadet leader or visit [www.calvinistcadets.org](http://www.calvinistcadets.org).
- February 12 – Christian School Tuition Assistance
- February 19 - Building the Future Fund
- February 26 - Steve & Sandy

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**

Offering bag on Sunday, mailed to the church office (1010 Front Street), dropped off during the week (church office during office hours or in the outside locking mailbox after hours), or electronically through a bill pay service or with [Tithe.ly](http://Tithe.ly).

### PRAYER AND PRAISE ITEMS

#### **SYMPATHY**

- We extend our sympathy to Dave & Shelly L and Doris B with the passing of Randy R on Friday, January 27.
- We extend our sympathy to Wes & Liz V, John & Karen M, and Stan & Kathy V with the passing of their mother, Wilma V, on Saturday, January 28.

#### **PRAYER ITEMS**

- Dave R had successful open heart surgery on Thursday. He will be in the ICU for several days and has a long road to recovery.
- Tatum and Trey, daughter and son of Dan & Sade, surgeries where rescheduled because of colds.
- Jodi V had a stroke last week. She is at home recovering.
- Freda G is at Staffholt Nursing Home in Blaine for rehab following surgery on her hip.
- Connie R is recovering from hip replacement surgery.
- Berny Da is undergoing cancer treatment.

## NEWS AND UPDATES

### **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).

### **DISCOVERY CLASS COMING SOON**

Are you interested in learning more about joining our church, making profession of faith, or finding out more about First CRC? Discovery class covers who we are, how we got here, what we believe and what we do. If interested, contact Pastor Robert or the church office at 360-354-4560.

### **THE SUMMIT HOUSE**

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 houses for men in Bellingham and Lynden. Envision Mission will provide orientation and periodic meetings for review.

### **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.

### **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 at 9:30 AM.

**Adults:** Doctrine - Led by 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, February 6 at **10:00 AM** in the Loft. For more information, contact JoAnn R.

### **OASIS (7th-8th GRADE YOUTH MINISTRY)**

All 7th-8th graders are welcome to join us on Monday, February 6 at 7:00 PM in the Loft. For more information, Pastor Mike.

### **MISSIONS PRAYER GROUP**

All those interested in praying for missions are invited on Tuesday, February 7 at 10:00 AM in the Prayer Room.

### **MINISTRY TEAMS**

Ministry teams will meet on Tuesday, February 7 at 6:30 PM unless you hear otherwise from your chairperson.

**ELDERS**

Elders will meet on Tuesday, February 7 at 7:30 PM in the Council Room.

**GLOW (2nd - 6th GRADE GIRLS MINISTRY)**

We will be having our soup supper and bake sale this week Wednesday, February 8 from 5:00-7:00 PM. For more information, contact Kim A.

**WORSHIP PLANNING**

The Worship Planning Team will meet on Wednesday, February 8 at 7:00 PM in the Council Room. For more information, contact Nancy Z.

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

All high schoolers are welcome to join us on Wednesday, February 8 at 7:30 PM in the Loft. For more information about Tribe, contact Pastor Mike B.

**DAUGHTERS OF ZION - WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY**

Daughters of Zion will be meeting this Thursday, February 9 at 10:00 AM in the Education Building, and be studying lesson 9. Servers for this week are Shirley B and Sharon V.

**CHURCH INFORMATION****First Christian Reformed Church**

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