

# **First Christian Reformed Church**

## **Lynden, Washington**

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*Announcements for February 19, 2023*  
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### **WORSHIP SERVICES**

#### **Sunday, February 19 - 10:30 AM Sacrament of Infant Baptism**

*Romans 1:1-7 "What Paul Wants the Romans to Know" (Pastor Mike B)*

#### **Sunday, February 19 - 6:00 PM**

*Exodus 20:7; 3:13-15 "Taking God's Name Seriously" (Pastor Robert W)*

#### **Sunday, February 26 - 10:30 AM First Sunday of Lent, Sacrament of the Lord's Supper**

*Romans 1:8-15 "Eager to Preach the Gospel in Rome" (Pastor Robert W)*

#### **Sunday, February 26 - 6:00 PM Kings Men of Song**

- **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 19 - Building the Future Fund, is in place to help finance future building projects of our church. For more information, talk to any member of the Council.
- February 26 - Steve & Sandy
- February 26 Love Offering – Luke Society

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 Tithe.ly.

### **PRAYER AND PRAISE ITEMS**

#### **CONGRATULATIONS**

- This Sunday morning we will welcome Willa Kaye, daughter of Daren & Jessica, with the Sacrament of Infant Baptism.

#### **PRAYER ITEMS**

- Karen B is at home recovering from hip replacement surgery this past Tuesday.
- Dave R had successful open heart surgery at is now at home recovering.
- Freda Gis at Stafholt Nursing Home in Blaine for rehab following surgery on her hip.
- Berny D is undergoing cancer treatment.

#### **THANK YOU**

- Dear Church Family - I am filled with overwhelming gratitude to the Lord for the gracious outpouring of your care and concern for me over the past two months. To all who had any part in my recovery and care, I am truly thankful. God has healed me to continue living and doing HIs will. Praise the Lord! Love to all. Ada V
- We would like to thank our church family for your kind words and cards following our mother, Wilma V's passing. We appreciate you all very much. ~ Wes & Liz V and John & Karen M
- Dear First CRC Church Family, thank you to all those who came to support our GLOW Soup Supper and Bake Sale! It was great to see so many join us, and give the girls the opportunity to serve our church family as well. They were eager little helpers and we are so appreciative of all your generous donations to our girls' ministry! A special thank you to the B family for generously donating the hamburger and sausage, Twin Brook Creamery for the milk, and Edaleen Dairy for the ice cream. We hope you all enjoyed your time as well!

## NEWS AND UPDATES

### **ANNUAL FUNNIEST BIRTHDAY CARD COMPETITION**

The annual Funniest Birthday Card Competition for Pastor Robert's birthday is now underway! Entries can be dropped in his church mailbox or given directly to him. Deadline is THIS Sunday morning, February 19.

### **CHURCH OFFICE AND BUILDING CLOSURE – MONDAY, FEBRUARY 20**

The church offices and buildings will be closed on Monday, February 20 for President's Day.

### **COUNCIL NOMINEES**

The church council has begun the process of selecting nominees who could be selected to serve as elder or deacon. If you know of someone whom you think could serve in that capacity, please submit his name to the clerk, Neil Morgan or to your care district elder or deacon before the February 21 Council meeting.

### **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.

### **MISSION MINISTRY TEAM MEMBERS NEEDED**

The Mission Ministry Team (MMT) is looking for more members. The role of MMT is to inspire our congregation to assist in proclaiming the gospel in our community and throughout the world. We are looking for people interested in missions and desiring to know more about the missionaries and ministries our congregation supports. Prayerfully consider if this opportunity is for you. For more information, contact Chris R.

### **NEW WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY COMING SOON!**

All women are invited to join us for a new Bible Study of the Book of Ruth, *Finding God Faithful When You Feel Insecure and Uncertain*. We will be meeting on Monday mornings at 10:00 AM in the Loft for 8 weeks, starting on March 13. For more information or to sign up, contact JoAnn R. Please order your book in advance as delivery will take a couple of weeks.

### **HELP WANTED**

Two teachers needed for Children's Church. Benefits include instant hero status, all you can eat Goldfish crackers, exercise during worship, unlimited high fives and free crayons. Join our Children's Ministry Team for our spring session from March 5 - May 28 by contacting Stephanie R.

## MISSIONS CELEBRATION – MARCH 11-12, 2023

Join us on Saturday, March 11 at Faith Community Church for a delicious dinner, a time to meet with our mission partners, and hear from Al & Julie, with Operation Mobilization in Belgium.

\*\* Registration is required for Saturday evening, but there is **no cost to attend**. Registration forms are available in your mailbox or on the Welcome Center.

On Sunday morning, March 12, Martin & Juanita and Dan & Marlae, with Lynden Human Life, will be leading the adult and 7th-12th grade Education Hour. Pastor Tommy, with Reformed University Fellowship at Western Washington University, will be bringing us the message on Sunday morning, and Julie, with Operation Mobilization, will be sharing with the children at Children's Church. On Sunday evening, we will wrap up the weekend with testimonies from the mission field during our evening worship service.

\*\* Watch for more information about a service project on Saturday, March 11.

## 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**

The study of the Book of Deuteronomy, *Make it Count - Move Past Your Past and Live with Purpose Today*, will be meet on Monday, February 20 at 10:00 AM in the Loft. For more information, contact JoAnn R.

### **PRAYER FOR AMERICA**

The Pray for America group will meet on Monday, February 20 at 7:00 PM in the Prayer Room.

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

We will NOT meet this week. We look forward to seeing you on Monday, March 6 at 7:00 PM in the Loft. For more information, Pastor Mike.

### **MOMS@1ST LEADERSHIP TEAM**

Moms@1st Leadership Team will be meeting on Tuesday, February 21 at 9:30 AM in the Loft. For more information or if you have any questions, please contact Carly V.

### **COUNCIL MEETING**

Council will meet this week Tuesday, February 21 at 7 p.m. in the church basement.

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

We will meet this week Wednesday, February 22 from 6:30-8:30 PM at the Lynden Skateway. Please bring your daughter to the skating rink and the leaders will be there with their ticket. No cost for the skating. Girls may bring their own skates if they would like. For more information, contact Kim A.

### **WORSHIP PLANNING**

The Worship Planning Team will meet on Wednesday, February 22 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 22 at 7:30 PM in the Loft. For more information, contact Pastor Mike B.

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

Daughters of Zion will be meeting this Thursday, February 23 at 10:00 AM in the Education Building, and be studying lesson 10. Servers for this week are Gert B and Eleanor V.

## **CHURCH INFORMATION**

### **First Christian Reformed Church**

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