

First Christian Reformed Church

Lynden, Washington

Announcements for August 20, 2023

WORSHIP SERVICES

August 20 - 10:30 AM - Staff Appreciation

Romans 4:1-12 (Pastor Robert W)

August 20 - 6:00 PM - Outdoor Worship Service, Communion

Psalm 103:8-11; 108:4; Hymn: The Love of God is Greater Still "The Impossibly Huge Love of God"

(Pastor Robert W)

August 27 - 10:30 AM

I Corinthians 13:7 "Love Hopes All Things" (Mike B)

August 27 - 6:00 PM - Prayer Service for a New Church Season

Matthew 6:5-8 (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.
- **After the Morning Service**, you are invited to join us for a time of fellowship on the lawn or in the basement (weather dependent).
- **Join us online** if you are unable to worship with us in person. Our morning and evening worship services can be livestreamed at www.firstcrclinden.org or can be viewed later from the livestream library.

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

UPCOMING OFFERINGS

- **August 20 - Kidstown - Snehakunja Home** in Kolkata, India serves HIV positive children who are socially rejected. Kidstown International works alongside this orphanage to assist and improve their ministry. For more information, visit www.kidstown.org.
- **August 27 - Building the Future** is a fund in place to help finance future building projects of our church. For more information, talk to any member of the Council.

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 at church during the week
- Electronically through a bill pay service or with Tithe.ly

PRAYER AND PRAISE ITEMS

BIRTHDAY

- **Eleanor V** will celebrate her 86th birthday on Wednesday, August 23.

CONGRATULATIONS

- **Marv H and Doreen D** were united in marriage on Saturday, August 12.

CONDOLESENCES

- **Cobie T** with the passing of her sister-in-law, Tracy Smith, on August 6.
- **Ron & Jane S** and the extend family with the passing of their nephew, Mark S, on August 14. Mark was a Whatcom County sportscaster, known to many as the voice of local sports for three decades.

PRAY FOR THOSE WITH HEALTH ISSUES

- **Cheryl R** was in the hospital with pneumonia in both lungs this week.
- **Marsha M** is undergoing chemotherapy to treat aggressive bone marrow cancer.

SEARCH COMMITTEE

- Keep the Council in pray as they start the process of forming a search committee for an Associate Pastor position. Pray that the Lord will lead the committee in finding the right person for the job and for the person that God has planned for us.

NEWS AND UPDATES

STAFF APPRECIATION THIS SUNDAY

We will be acknowledging the staff of First CRC (all staff other than pastors - who we will recognize in October) before the morning worship service.

OUTDOOR EVENING WORSHIP AND ICE-CREAM SOCIAL

Tonight we will have our outdoor worship service on the church lawn (weather permitting) at 6:00 p.m. We will be celebrating the sacrament of the Lord's Supper during the worship service. After the service join us for an ice cream social and a time of fellowship. All those who are able, are asked to bring lawn chairs for the worship service.

FAREWELL OPEN HOUSE RECEPTION FOR BRUMMELS

The congregation is invited to join us in a Farewell reception for the Mike, Shelby and Soren B. We will have an open house on Friday, September 15 from 5:30 -7:30 PM at the church with dessert and coffee served. There will also be a basket for your written notes of well-wishes. We hope to see you all there!

FIRST FAMILY CAMP

Did you know that First Church has a church camp in September and that it is open to any First Church families, singles, young, middle aged or retired? Join us for a fun weekend of relaxation and fellowship with our church family! Meals will be on your own, unless you make arrangements with others, except for a group potluck on Saturday and fellowship time on Sunday morning.

First Family Camp Details

When: Friday, September 8 - Sunday, September 10

Where: Howard Miller Steelhead Park in Rockport, Washington

Who: Everyone! There are spots for those with RV's or with tents!

Cost: \$75 for the weekend

If you are interested in knowing more about Family Camp or would like to make reservations, contact Amy V or the church office.

UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

All young and middle-aged men are invited to join us for coffee, donuts and Bible study on Saturday, August 19 at 7:00 AM in the Loft. For more information, contact Patrick J.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION MINISTRY TEAM

The Christian Education Ministry Team is asked to meet for a brief time following the morning worship service this Sunday, August 20 in the Education Building. For more information, contact Jake D.

PRAY FOR AMERICA

The Pray for America group will meet on Monday, July 21 at 7:00 PM in the Prayer Room.

MOMS@1ST SUMMER MEET-UPS

Join us this summer for playing at the park and Moms Night Out! **THESE EVENTS ARE OPEN TO ANYONE – you do not need to be part of MOMS@1st!** Park dates usually start at 9:30 AM. Feel free to bring snacks, treats or picnic lunch to share. ** Schedule is subject to change; rainy day backup plans will be Summit or playdate in the mall.

Summer Meet-Up Schedule

August 22 - Cordata Spray Park, Bellingham

August 24 - Mom's Night Out - dinner in Lynden

CHURCH INFORMATION

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