First Christian Reformed Church

Lynden, Washington

Announcements for August 27, 2023

WORSHIP SERVICES

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)

September 3 - 10:30 AM – Bible Presentation for Children's Church Promotion (Robert W)

September 3- 6:00 PM - Joint worship service at Second CRC

- 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.firstcrclynden.org or can be viewed later from the livestream library.

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

UPCOMING OFFERINGS

• 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

• Mick V will be celebrating his 88th birthday on September 2.

CONDOLESENCES

• Cal & Laura B with the passing of Laura's mother, Laura G, last week Friday, August 18.

PRAY FOR THOSE WITH HEALTH ISSUES

- Cheryl R was diagnosed with aa rare swallowing disorder that affects the esophagus. She will have a consultation in September at Virginia Mason in Seattle.
- Marsha M is undergoing chemotherapy to treat aggressive bone marrow cancer.

SEARCH COMMITTEE

• Keep the Council in pray as they have started 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.

THANK YOU

- Thank you to the church council and the congregation for the generous gifts given to the staff during staff appreciation. ~ Susan B, Rob H, Kara H, Stephanie R, Nelda S, Nancy Z
- Thank you to everyone for the kind words in the acknowledgement of my 30 years in the church office. It has been a blessing to be part of the First Church ministry. Praise be to God! ~ Kara H

CHURCH OFFICES CLOSED - MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

In honor of Labor Day, all church offices will be closed, and buildings locked on Monday, September 4. If you need access to the church that day, please make arrangements ahead of time. Thank you!

BIBLE PROMOTION SUNDAY

On Sunday, September 3 we will recognize the 4th graders that have moved up from Children's Church with a presentation of a Bible.

FAREWELL OPEN HOUSE RECEPTION FOR BRUMMELS

The congregation is invited to join us in a Farewell reception for the Mike, Shelby and Soren Brummel. 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!

EDUCATION CLASSES STARTING SEPTEMBER 10

Education Classes for 3rd - 12th grades and for adults will begin on Sunday, September 10 at 9:30 AM.

Adults: *The Apostle John* is a video series focusing on his gospel and Revelation. Led by Glenn G in church basement. **Infants – Kindergarten:** Childcare available in the Ed. Building

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

4th grade – 5th grade: Led by Andrew R the Ed. Building

6th grade – 8th grade: Led by Glen B in the Ed. Building

9th grade - 12th grade: Led by Mike S in the Loft

FIRST FAMILY CAMP

When: Friday, September 8 - Sunday, September 10

Where: Howard Miller Steelhead Park in Rockport, Washington

If you missed the deadline for signing up please contact the campground directly to see if there are sites available. For more information about the location, visit the Howard Miller Steelhead website.

TIRED AND RETIRED

The Tired and Retired group are having a luncheon on Sunday, September 17 following the morning service in the Education Building. Please sign up to bring a salad or dessert! Hot sandwiches and beverages will be provided. For more information, contact Liz V.

STUDENT FUNDRIVE FOR YOUTH DYNAMICS

Youth Dynamics is having a student Fundrive - clean out your closets and support Nooksack Valley Youth Dynamics! They are collecting clothes (men's, women's and children's clothes, coats, shoes, scarves, handbags, wallets, fashion accessories, ties, belts, backpacks, etc.) and household textiles (bedding, comforters, blankets, sheets, towels, linen, tablecloths, curtains, pillows, etc.) Please gather items in bags and all items must be clean and in sellable condition. Donations can be put in the labeled box next to the church office or contact Tim N for larger donations. *All donations must be dropped to the box by the church office by Monday, October 2!*

UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS

DEACONS

The deacons will meet on Tuesday, August 29 at 7:00 PM in the Council Room.

TRIBE

All high schoolers are welcome to our Kick-Off Party on Wednesday, August 30 at Berthusen Park. Meet us *at the park* at the Tractor Pavilion for pizza and games at 6:30 PM. Pick up time *from the park* will be 8:00 PM. Please contact Cal B if you have questions or need more information. We're all eagerly looking forward to kicking off the year with you!!!

WORSHIP PLANNING

The Worship Planning team will meet on Wednesday, August 30 at 7:00 PM in the Council Room.

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

All young and middle-aged men are invited to join us for coffee, donuts and Bible study on Saturday, September 2 at 7:00 AM in the Loft. For more information, contact Patrick J.