

# First Christian Reformed Church

## October 2023 News & Updates

### Worship Services

Join us on Sunday at 10:30 AM and at 6:00 PM. For anyone unable to attend in person, both worship services are live streamed on our website. Past services can also be viewed on our livestream library on our website.

### Education Classes and Nursery

#### **NURSERY**

A nursery is available in the Education Building during the 10:30 AM worship service, with a separate room for infants and toddlers.

#### **CHILDREN'S CHURCH**

Children's Church is available for children 3 years - 3rd grade during the 10:30 AM worship service. Children begin the service in the sanctuary and then are dismissed to the Education Building.

#### **EDUCATION CLASSES**

Education Classes for 3<sup>rd</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> grades and adults meet on Sunday mornings beginning at 9:30 AM. Education classes will begin on Sunday, September 10, but anyone is welcome to join at any time.

- **Adults:** Led by Glenn Gerlach in Church Basement. *The Apostle John* is a video series focusing on his gospel and Revelation.
- **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 the Education Building
- **6th grade – 8th grade:** Led by Glen B in the Education Building
- **9th grade – 12th grade:** Led by Mike S in the Loft

### Prayer & Praise Items

#### **DEALING WITH ONGOING MEDICAL ISSUES**

- John M is undergoing kidney dialysis three days a week.
- Marsha M is undergoing treatment for cancer.
- Cheryl R is dealing with issues with her esophagus and swallowing.
- Kristi N is having more difficulty swallowing but has declined a feeding tube.

#### **REMEMBERING THOSE IN CARE FACILITIES**

- Cascade Christian Home – Amy B
- Lynden Adult Family Home - Vernon S
- Lynden Manor – Greta Einfeld, Agnes R
- Meadow Greens – Grace Hayes, Andy VV
- Orchard Park – Eleanor and Carol Z
- Silverado Care - Jean VH
- Shuksan Healthcare – Kristi N
- Stafholt Nursing Home - Freda G

**SHUT-IN MEMBERS** that are struggling with ongoing health issues or the effects of aging or need significant assistance and their caregivers.

**PHASE III BUILDING** as we seek God's wisdom, clear leading and sufficient provision for building our future.

#### **SUMMIT HOUSE**

- 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.

### **Council News**

1. David W and Paul A are representatives for the next classis meeting on October 19 at Sumas CRC.
2. The council approved SERVE 2024, June 22-29.
3. The Peoples' Bank stock was sold.
4. A congregational meeting will be held Tuesday, December 5 at 7 p.m.

### **Dates to Remember**

- Sunday, October 1 - World Communion Sunday, Celebration of the Lord's Supper, 10:30 AM
- Sunday, October 1 - Life Chain Sunday
- Saturday, October 7 - Cadet Bike Day
- Thursday, October 12 - Lynden Music Festival Concert at First CRC
- Thursday, October 19 - Classis Pacific Northwest Meeting at Sumas CRC
- Sunday, October 22 - Eric & Penny S Sharing, 10:30 AM
- Sunday, October 29 - Joint Evening Reformation Service at First CRC, 6:00 PM
- Sunday, November 5 - End of Daylight Savings Time
- Sunday, November 5 - All Church Harvest Dinner
- Saturday, November 11 - Veteran's Day
- Thursday, November 23 - Thanksgiving Day Worship Service, 10:00 AM
- Friday, November 24 - Saturday, November 25 - Poinsettia Pick-Up Days
- Sunday, December 3 - First Sunday of Advent, Celebration of the Lord's Supper, 10:30 AM

### **Tithes and Offerings**

#### **OCTOBER OFFERINGS**

- October 1– Christian School Tuition Assistance
- October 1 Love Offering- Youth Dynamics
- October 8 – Missionary
- October 15 – Aaron DB – Friend of Sinners CRC
- October 22 – Missionary
- October 29 AM – Build the Future Fund
- October 29 PM (Joint Service)

## Volunteer Schedule

### BUS DRIVERS

October 1 Blaine K  
October 8 Galen L  
October 15 Hank R  
October 22 Robert S  
October 29 Bryan A

### GREETERS

October 1  
• Ryan & Sara B/ Tabin & Jenny B  
October 8  
• Cal & Laura B/ Dora B  
October 15  
• Alan & Pat D/ Jake DH  
October 22  
• Elvin & Anna Lee F  
• Kyle & Swandel E  
October 29  
• Lloyd & Linda F  
• Sid & Sandy G

### USHERS

October 1  
• John VW/ Fred Y  
October 8  
• Jake DH/ Kyle E  
October 15  
• Larry K/ Rich H  
October 22  
• Blaine K/ Neil M  
October 29  
• Ryan E/ Ken H

### SAFETY USHERS

October 1  
• Darren G/ Jason V  
October 8  
• Patrick J/ Alan D  
October 15  
• Tabin B/ Sid G  
October 22  
• Randy L/ Brian K  
October 29  
• Ryan B/ Nick S

### VIDEO

October 1 Jeff Kok  
October 8 Brant Hilverda  
October 15 Jordan Hilverda  
October 22 Brandon Korthuis  
October 29 Jeff Kok

### FLOWERS

October 1 Coni Hoolsema

October 8 Lori S  
October 15 Bev H  
October 22 Meredith Z  
October 29 Harvest/Thanksgiving Decorations

### BABY NURSERY

October 1  
• Kelsey G/ Micah K  
October 8  
• Coni H/ Brinley R  
October 15  
• Jenna K/ Samantha T  
October 22  
• Jessica and Hazel M  
October 29  
• Debbie S/ Makenna T

### TODDLER NURSERY

October 1  
• Swandel E/ Noah A  
October 8  
• Ardelle K/ Carter A  
October 15  
• Jill K/ Miranda B  
October 22  
• Kara H/ Hayley B  
October 29  
• Lisa Q/ Alivia B

### COFFEE SERVERS

October 1 Lloyd & Linda F  
October 8 Elvin & Anna Lee F  
October 15 Candace L; Arlene V R  
October 22 Patrick J & Marilyn M C  
October 29 Alan & Pat D

### COOKIES FOR FELLOWSHIP

October 1  
• Kathryn V W  
• Carly V W  
• Amy V/ Helene Y  
October 8  
• Janis Z/ Meredith Z  
• Nancy Z/ Kim A  
October 15  
• Jill B/ Valerie A  
• Gail A/ Sharon A  
October 22  
• Nicole B/ Dee B  
• Nicole B/ Peggy B  
October 29  
• Yvonne B/ Susan B  
• Jennie B/ Karen B

## **Birthday Calendar**

October 1

October 2

- Alan D
- Brenda R
- Jean V H
- Andy V V
- Emma W

October 3

October 4

- Dave R

October 5

- Sharon B
- Tatum N
- Trey N
- Violet Z

October 6

- Julie S

October 7

October 8

- Kimberlee E

October 9

- Brian V W
- Nathan V W

October 10

- Aubrey B
- Kamryn K

October 11

October 12

- Ryan B
- Pat M
- Leona O
- Evan T

October 13

- Taryn B

October 14

- Jennifer M K

October 15

- Annalee Z

October 16

- Kennadi H

October 17

- Larry K

October 18

- Kristin K

October 19

- Dee B
- Erik B
- Kim R

October 20

October 21

October 22

- Bert K - 89

October 23

- Coni H
- Connie R

October 24

- Dawn H
- Carla Z

October 25

October 26

October 27

- Soren B

October 28

- Sara K

October 29

- Kara T K

October 30

- Ruth O

October 31