

First Christian Reformed Church

November 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, worship services are live streamed on our website. Past services can 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 3rd - 12th 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 G 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 in Bellingham.
- Marsha M is undergoing treatment for cancer.
- Kristi N is dealing with difficulty swallowing.
- Cheryl R is dealing with issues with her esophagus and swallowing.

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 H, Andy VV
- Orchard Park – Eleanor and Carol Z
- Silverado Care - Jean VH
- Shuksan Healthcare – Ken L, Kristi N
- Stafholt Nursing Home - Freda G

SHUT-IN MEMBERS who are struggling with ongoing health issues or the effects of aging and keep in your prayers those who need significant assistance and their caregivers.

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

ASSOCIATE PASTOR SEARCH TEAM as we seek God's wisdom and guidance in the early stages of our search for a new associate pastor for First CRC.

SUMMIT HOUSE is a discipleship program aimed at helping men and women who are having a difficult time establishing themselves in life, work, and the church. Bethel CRC and First CRC are partnering with Envision Mission on the first house for women, located on the Bethel CRC property. Two houses for men are located in Bellingham and Lynden.

Dates to Remember

- Sunday, November 5 - End of Daylight Savings Time
- Sunday, November 5 - All Church Harvest Dinner, 11:45 AM
- Saturday, November 11 - Veteran's Day
- Thursday, November 23 - Thanksgiving Day Worship Service, 10:00 AM
- Thursday, November 23 - Friday, November 24 - Church Offices Closed
- Friday, November 24 - Saturday, November 25 - Poinsettia Pick-Up Days
- Saturday, December 2 - Children's Christmas Program Practice at 10 AM
- Sunday, December 3 - First Sunday of Advent, Celebration of the Lord's Supper, 10:30 AM
- Tuesday, December 5 - Congregational Meeting for Budget
- Saturday, December 9 - Children's Christmas Program Practice at 10 AM
- Sunday, December 10 - Children's Christmas Program, 6:00 PM
- Sunday, December 17 - Carols & Candles Service, 6:00 PM
- Sunday, December 24 - No Evening Worship Service
- Monday, December 25 - Christmas Worship Service, 10 AM Church Offices Closed
- Sunday, December 31 - Prayer Service for New & Old Years, 6:00 PM
- Monday, January 1 - New Year's Day - Church Offices Closed

Tithes and Offerings

UPCOMING OFFERINGS

- November 5 – Christian School Tuition Assistance
- November 12 – RUF (Reformed University Fellowship)
- November 19 – Building the Future Fund
- November 23 (Thanksgiving) – Thanksgiving Envelopes
- November 26 – Benevolence

Volunteer Schedule

BUS DRIVERS

November 5

- Blaine K

November 12

- Galen L

November 19

- Hank R

November 23 - Thanksgiving Day

- Robert S

November 26

- Bryan A

GREETERS

November 5

- Brent & Jolene H
- Darren & Kelsey G

November 12

- Bev H
- Molly H
- Doug & Dawn H

November 19

- Matt & Leanne H
- Dustin & Kari H

November 23 - Thanksgiving Day

- Randy & Kara H
- Rich & Coni H

November 26

- Brian & Jenna K
- Patrick J & Marilyn MC

USHERS

November 5

- Ken Q
- Landon T

November 12

- John VW
- Fred Y

November 19

- Jake DH
- Kyle E

November 23 - Thanksgiving Day

- Rich H
- Larry K

November 26

- Alan D
- Blaine K

SAFETY USHERS

November 5

- Jacob A
- Gene T

November 12

- Darren G
- Jason V

November 19

- Patrick J
- Alan D

November 23 - Thanksgiving Day

- Tabin B
- Sid G

November 26

- Randy L
- Brian K

VIDEO

November 5

- Brant H

November 12

- Jordan H

November 19

- Brandon K

November 23 - Thanksgiving Day

- Jeff K

November 26

- Brant H

BABY NURSERY

November 5

- Carly VW
- Avery VW

November 12

- Kathryn VW
- Isabelle W

November 19

- Susan B
- Ella A

November 23 - Thanksgiving Day

- Bev H
- Ella K

November 26

- Sara T
- Makayla S

TODDLER NURSERY

November 5

- Pam R
- Brooklyn B

November 12

- Dora B
- Madyson B

November 19

- Kim A
- Lisa K

November 23 - Thanksgiving Day

- Peggy B
- Maya M

November 26

- Sara B
- Grace M

COFFEE SERVERS

November 5

- Harvest Dinner

November 12

- Neil & Debbie M

November 19

- Dennis & Jeanne J

November 26

- Larry & Joanne K
- Craig G

COOKIES FOR FELLOWSHIP

November 5

- Jan B
- Jenny B
- Jennie B
- Sara B

November 12

- Laura B
- Dora B
- Margaret DV
- Pat D

November 19

- Swandel E
- Anna Lee F
- Donelle F
- Linda Fr

November 26

- Sandy G
- Kelsey G
- Nicki G
- Jolene H

Birthday Calendar

November 1

November 2

- Freda G - 93

November 3

November 4

- Diana G

November 5

- Bryden H
- Madyson B

November 6

- Jacob T
- Maya M
- Linnea M
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November 7

- Michelle S

November 8

- Jeanne L

November 9

November 10

November 11

November 12

- Galen L
- Patty R

November 13

November 14

- Jake DH

November 15

- Rose W
- Kristin W

November 16

- Isabelle W

November 17

November 18

- Jack P
- Jill M
- Lincoln E

November 19

November 20

- Dennis G
- Gail B

November 21

- Bev H
- Mary L

November 22

November 23

- Aiden S

November 24

November 25

- Mason Q

November 26

November 27

- Lucas B

November 28

- Marlys H
- Nancy Z

November 29

- Alivia B
- Gert B

November 30

- Malcom S