

First Christian Reformed Church

Lynden, Washington

Announcements for December 24, 2023

WORSHIP SERVICES

December 24 - 10:30 AM - Fourth Sunday of Advent

Luke 2:1-20 "The Shepherds' Angels"

December 24 - No PM Service

December 25 - 10:00 AM - Christmas Day

Hebrews 1:3b-14 "Jesus, Infinitely Superior to the Angels"

December 31 - 10:30 AM - Old Year and New Year Prayer Service

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Ephesians 1:15-20 "Remembering You In My Prayers"

December 31 - 6:00 PM - Guest Preacher - Pastor Don R

John 8:12-20, 30, 48-59 "If Time Could Speak"

- **Nursery** is available for children up to 3 years during the Sunday morning service.
- **Children's Church** is available for children 3 years – 3rd grade during the morning service. Children are invited to leave during the service.
- **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. Worship services can be streamed at www.firsterclynden.org.

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

UPCOMING OFFERINGS

- December 24 - Building the Future Fund - - This fund in place to help finance future building projects of our church. For more information about this fund, talk to any First CRC deacon.
- December 31 - PIM Bible Fund
- December 31 AM Love Offering - Eagle's Wings

END OF THE YEAR GIVING

If you would like to make contributions to the church before the end of the year, you can put it in the offering bag, give it to one of the deacons, or give it to the church office no later December 31 or post marked by December 31.

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Any tithes or offering 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 (at the church office during office hours or in the outside locking mailbox after hours)
- Electronically through a bill pay service or online through Tithe.ly

PRAYER AND PRAISE ITEMS

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- **Marsha M** continues to undergo treatment five days in a row, every three weeks to treat bone marrow cancer.
- **Kristi N** is dealing with difficulty swallowing.

BIRTHDAY

- Jane S will celebrate her 86th birthday on Sunday, December 24.

THANK YOU

- Thank you all for the cards, flowers and prayers offered on my behalf. I appreciate all the caring. I am in remission right now but because it's terminal I need to continue with chemo every 3 weeks for 4 days in a row. I'm doing quite well but lean on one day at a time. Thank you for the delicious meals brought to me. I really appreciate them. Wishing to all of you a Merry Christmas. Thank you, Marsha M

- Thank you First Church family for all your prayers, meals, visits, and well wishes during my hip surgery. I'm halfway through my recovery process before I am able to resume my daily activities on the farm. It is with a most grateful heart to God for the healing He has given me thus far. Soli Deo Gloria! ~ Valerie A

NEWS AND UPDATES

SENIOR CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON - THURSDAY, DECEMBER 28

Save the Date! We will be having a Senior Christmas/New Years Party on Thursday, December 28 at 12:00 PM in the church basement. You will be our guests as we have a fun time planned with fellowship and laughter. Please sign up at the kiosk in the foyer or call the church office. If you need a ride, please contact the church office at 360-354-4560.

TIRED AND RETIRED

Please reserve Sunday, January 14 for a soup luncheon/potluck after the morning service. Come to the loft for soup, salads, desserts, and fellowship. Sign up sheet on the kiosk in the foyer. Any questions please call/text Dawn H.

OFFICE CLOSURE

Please note that the church office will be CLOSED on Monday, December 25 and again on Monday, January 1.

EDUCATION CLASSES

Education classes for all students and adults will resume on Sunday, January 7.

- **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

WOMEN'S MONDAY BIBLE STUDY

Our new Bible Study, *Keep Holding On: 30 Promises of God*, is a 6 week study. We will have "casual conversation with coffee" to walk through this wonderful study. Our first meeting will be Monday, January 15 at 10:00 AM in the Loft. If you would like a book (\$10 each), contact the church office. For more information, contact JoAnn R.

CHURCH INFORMATION

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Office Hours: Monday – Friday, 8:30 AM - 12:30 PM