

# First Christian Reformed Church

## February 2024 News & Updates

### *Worship Services*

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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*

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#### **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 service. Children begin in the sanctuary and then are dismissed to the Education Building during the service, as indicated on the bulletin.

#### **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.

- **Adults:** Led by Glenn G in Church Basement.
- **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*

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

- John M is undergoing kidney dialysis three days a week.
- Marsha M is undergoing treatment for cancer.
- Kristi N is dealing with difficulty swallowing.

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

- Cascade Christian Home – Amy B
- Lakeside Gardens - Ruth B
- Lynden Adult Family Home - Vernon S
- Lynden Manor – Greta E, Agnes R
- Meadow Greens – Grace H, Andy V
- Orchard Park –Carol Z
- Silverado Care - Jean V
- Shuksan Healthcare – Kristi N
- Stafholt Nursing Home - Freda G

**SHUT-IN MEMBERS** who are struggling with health issues or the effects of aging and keep in your prayers those who need 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 our search for a new associate pastor.

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

#### **FIRST CRC MISSIONARIES**

- Melissa
- Aaron
- Ray & Angie
- Steve & Sandy
- Tommy
- Dustin & Melissa
- Memli & Luiza
- Al & Julie
- Tim & Charlene
- Eric & Penny
- Mitchell & Rochelle
- Gary
- Ken & Chris
- Snehakunja Home

## MINISTRY PARTNERS NEWS AND UPDATES

The following partners have sent an update this month that was in all church mailboxes. If you would like an additional copy, please contact the church office.

- Converge
- East-West Ministries
- Envision Mission
- Reformed University Fellowship
- Resonate
- The Table
- Whatcom County Pregnancy Clinic

## Council Notes

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- Classis representatives: Deacon Randy L, Elder Jacob A and Pastor Robert W will be First CRC representatives at the next Classis meeting on February 29, 2024 at Bethel CRC.
- Safety Team met with Samuel M for their annual training.
- Nominations for new elders and deacons were held.
- Council recognized Office Administrator, Kara H, for 30 years working at First CRC.

## Dates to Remember

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- Sunday, February 4 - Cadet Sunday
- Wednesday, February 7 - GLOW Soup Supper and Bake Sale
- Saturday, February 10 - Cadet Pinewood Derby
- Sunday, February 18 - First Sunday of Lent, Sacrament of the Lord's Supper
- Monday, February 19 - President's Day
- Saturday, March 16 - Missions Celebration Dinner
- Sunday, March 17 - Mission Celebration Sunday
- Sunday, March 24 - Palm Sunday
- Friday, March 29 - Good Friday, Sacrament of the Lord's Supper
- Sunday, March 31 - Easter Sunday

## Tithes and Offerings

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- February 4 - Cadets
- February 11 - Christian School Tuition Assistance
- February 18 - Building the Future Fund
- February 18 Communion - Luke Society
- February 25 - Steve & Sandy

Tithes and offerings can be given the following ways:

- placed in the offering bag on Sunday
- mailed to the church office (1010 Front Street, Lynden, 98264)
- dropped off during the week
- electronically through a bill pay service or with Tithe.ly

## Volunteer Schedule

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### BUS DRIVERS

February 4 - Blaine K  
February 11 - Galen L  
February 18 - Hank R  
February 25 - Robert S

### GREETERS

February 4 - Cadets  
February 11

- Ted & Elaine S
- Brad & Lorna T

February 18

- Daryl & Kara T
- Gene & Linda T

February 25

- Greg & Sara T
- Ed & Ethel V

### USHERS

February 4 - Cadets  
February 11

- Jake D
- Kyle E

February 18

- Rich H
- Larry K

February 25

- Alan D
- Blaine K

### VIDEO

February 4 - Brant H  
February 11 - Jordan H  
February 18 - Jeff K  
February 25 - Brandon K

## **SAFETY USHERS**

February 4

- Tabin B
- Sid G

February 11

- Randy L
- Brian K

February 18

- Ryan B
- Nick S

February 25

- Jacob A
- Gene T

## **FLOWERS**

February 4 - Nancy Z

February 11 - Peggy B

February 18 - Susan B

February 25 - Marilyn M

## **BABY NURSERY**

February 4

- Sara B
- Maya M

February 11

- Michelle S
- Grace M

February 18

- Mindy V
- Katelyn V

February 25

- Kelsey G
- Brinley R

## **TODDLER NURSERY**

February 4

- Bev H
- Isabelle W

February 11

- Sara T

- Ella A

February 18

- Michelle T
- Ella M

February 25

- Swandel E
- Makayla S

## **COFFEE SERVERS**

February 4

- Alan & Pat D
- Craig G

February 11

- Tabin & Jenny B and Family

February 18

- Elvin & Anna Lee F

February 25

- Candace L
- Arlene V

## **COOKIES FOR FELLOWSHIP**

February 4

- JoAnn R
- Chris R
- Brenda R
- Kim R

February 11

- Michelle S
- Julia S
- Debbie S

February 18

- Kendra S
- Debbie S
- Abbie S
- Nelda S

February 25

- Elaine S
- Cobie T
- Lorna T
- Linda T

## ***Bible Reading and Prayer Resources***

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### **HIS WORD IN OUR HEARTS**

As we strive to commit scripture to memory, our monthly verse for February is [Isaiah 53:5-6](#). We challenge you to find some way to get this verse in front of you this month. Printed copies are available on the Welcome Center or from the church office.

### **BIBLE READING PLAN**

For 2024, we are reading through the New Testament. You are encouraged to use the Bible reading personally or as a family, and feel free to share this plan with others! Bible Reading Plan is available on the Welcome Center or can be picked up from the church office.

### **DAILY DEVOTIONS**

*TODAY* is a daily devotional produced through ReFrame Ministries. Copies, including large print, are available on the Welcome Center. See link below to read the devotions daily online.

*TABLETALK* magazine is daily devotional/Bible study resource. A few copies each month are available on the Welcome Center. See link below to read it online.

### **PRAYING THROUGH THE MONTH**

The Christian Reformed Church of North America provides a daily prayer guide with prayer requests for ministries and their needs. Contact the church office to request a printed copy.

## ***Church Office Information***

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**OFFICE HOURS:** Monday - Friday 8:30 AM - 12:30 PM

**OFFICE CONTACT INFORMATION**

Phone: 360-354-4560

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