

# First Christian Reformed Church

## Lynden, Washington

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### *Announcements for February 11, 2024*

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#### WORSHIP SERVICES

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##### **February 11 - 10:30 AM**

*Song of Solomon 2:13-15 "Catching the Little Foxes of Marriage"*

##### **February 11 - 6:00 PM**

*Matthew 6:13; I Corinthians 10:12-13; I Peter 5:8 "Lead Us Not Into Temptation"*

##### **February 18 - 10:30 AM – First Sunday of Lent**

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

*I Thessalonians 4:3-8, Hebrews 13:4 "Protecting Sexual Purity"*

##### **February 18 - 6:00 PM**

*Matthew 6:13; 10:28; Ephesians 6:12; Hebrews 3:12*

*"Deliver Us From Evil"*

- **Nursery** is available for children up to 3 years during the 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 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.firstcrlcynden.org](http://www.firstcrlcynden.org).

#### TITHES AND OFFERINGS

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##### UPCOMING OFFERINGS

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

##### 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)

#### WINTER WEATHER REMINDERS

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##### CHURCH PARKING LOT

The church parking lot is often slippery during the winter months. Please use caution when walking in the parking lot or on the sidewalks to and from church.

##### CANCELLATIONS

In case of severe weather, watch for cancellation information via email, on Facebook/Instagram, or contact your district elder or group leadership.

## PRAYER AND PRAISE ITEMS

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- **Jessica K** (daughter of Ben & Jill) as she continues on a very restricted diet and will need to do several more endoscopies over the next 18 months to see the process of healing.
- **Marsha M** home from the hospital. Her cancer has returned; she will continue with transfusions at this time. She ask for prayer for wisdom with decisions and plans going forward.
- **Ken L** is dealing with a broken arm and multiple health issues.

### THANK YOU

- Dear Friends at First CRC, Thank you for your generous support for the Northwest Seafarers Ministry. We're so grateful for your commitment to them. Your participation in their work is vital to them and makes a difference. Thanks for helping reach the nations for Christ! ~ Northwest Seafarers Ministry

## NEWS AND UPDATES

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### ANNUAL FUNNIEST BIRTHDAY CARD COMPETITION

The annual Funniest Birthday Card Competition for Pastor Robert's birthday is now underway! Entries can be mailed, dropped at the church office or given directly to Pastor Robert. Deadline for cards to be considered for the competition is Sunday morning, February 25.

### BABY BOTTLES FOR WHATCOM COUNTY PREGNANCY CLINIC

If you would like a baby bottle to collect change or donations for the Whatcom County Pregnancy Clinic, extras are available in the back of church or in the church library. Bottles can be returned to the church office anytime up to the Missions Celebration, Sunday, March 17.

### CHRISTIAN HOPE ASSOCIATION – BOARD MEMBERS NEEDED

Christian Hope Association (CHA) could especially benefit from board members with expertise in areas such as *construction and facility maintenance, mental health, pastoral care development and fundraising, legal matters, executive or board experience in non-profits, and networking.*

CHA are praying for three to four candidates to join our board in January of 2024 and would greatly appreciate your prayerful consideration to serve for a three-year term.

**First CRC has been part of this organization from the start and would like to see someone from our congregation continue with governance and growth of this organization. As a Council we are asking you to seek the Lord's guidance if this would be a good fit for you for a three-year term. For more information please talk to Jacob A and see the flyer in your mailboxes for details.**

### RESOURCES FOR CHRISTIAN PARENTS

In his sermon on Sunday morning, Pastor Robert said he would share a list of resources for parents. Please note that this is not a comprehensive list, but rather just a start to some of the great resources out there for Christian parents. *Please feel free to share this list with family and friends.*

- Ginger Hubbard - "Don't Make Me Count to Three"
- Tedd Tripp - "Shepherding a Child's Heart"
- Lou Priolo - "The Heart of Anger" and "Teach Them Diligently"
- Bruce Ray - "Withhold Not Correction"
- Phil & Diane Comer - "Raising Passionate Jesus Followers: The Power of Intentional Parenting"
- Justin Earley - "Habits of the Household: Practicing the Story of God in Everyday Family"
- Doug Wilson - "Why Children Matter" and "Standing on the Promises"
- Roy Lessin - "Spanking, A Loving Discipline"
- J.C. Ryle - "The Duties of Parents" (excellent old classic, 1900)

# UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS

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## EDUCATION CLASSES

Education classes for all ages meet on Sunday mornings at 9:30 AM. You are 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

## WOMEN'S MONDAY BIBLE STUDY

We will be meeting on Monday, February 12, at 10:00 AM in the Loft.

**\*\* ALL WOMEN ARE INVITED** to join our new Bible Study, *Can I Be Honest: How to Process and Express Your Emotions in a Biblical Way, A Study of Lamentations*. This study is your permission to feel your feelings while still keeping your eyes on Jesus: the greatest hope we have. This is a 5 week study, with our first meeting on Monday, February 25 at 10:00 AM in the Loft. If you would like a book, contact the church office. For more information, contact JoAnn R.

## HELPING HANDS

All who love to sew, knit, or crochet are invited to join us on Monday, February 12 at 1:00 PM in the Education Building. For more information, contact Leona O.

## FORGED@FIRST (7th-8th GRADE YOUTH MINISTRY)

We will meet on Monday, February 12 at 7:00 PM in the Loft. For more information, contact Jeff & Renee L or Patty R.

## MOMS@1ST

The Moms@1st will meet on Tuesday, February 13 at 9:30 AM in the Loft. For more information, contact Carly V.

## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Executive Committee will meet on Tuesday, February 13 at 6:30 PM in the Council Room.

## WORSHIP PLANNING

Worship Planning will meet on Wednesday, January 31 at 7:00 PM in the Council Room. For more information, contact Nancy Z.

## TRIBE (HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY)

All high school students are invited to join us on Wednesday, February 14 at 7:30 PM in the Loft. For more information, contact Cal B.

## DAUGHTERS OF ZION - WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Join us for a study of 1&2 Peter and Jude, on Thursday, February 15 at 10:00 AM in the Education Building. Please prepare lesson 10. Servers for this meeting are Perlene H and Sharon V. For more information, contact Eleanor V.

## MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

All young and middle-aged men are invited to join us for coffee, donuts and Bible study on Saturday, February 17 at 7:00 AM in the Loft. For more information, contact Patrick J.

## SEMINAR FOR MENTAL HEALTH

Has depression, anxiety or another mental health issue touched your life, the life of your family, friends, or church? Do you wonder how to best support others with these struggles? Mark your calendars for Envision Mission's Mental Health training on Saturday, February 24 from 9:30-12:00 AM at Bethel CRC in Lynden. Local counselor Deb Ivancovich will be leading the seminar. Everyone is invited and welcome to attend! If you have any questions, contact Mitchell S.

## CHURCH INFORMATION

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Office Hours: Monday – Friday

8:30 AM - 12:30 PM