

First Christian Reformed Church Lynden, Washington

Announcements for February 25, 2024

WORSHIP SERVICES

February 25 - 10:30 AM - Second Sunday of Lent

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

February 25 - 6:00 PM

Matthew 6:9-13; Ephesians 3:20-21; I Chronicles 29:10-11 "Amen and Amen!"

March 3 - 10:30 AM - Third Sunday of Lent

Romans 12:2; I Samuel 13:13-14; I Chronicles 12:32 "Wisdom in a Smartphone World"

March 3 - 6:00 PM – Joint CRC Service at First CRC

Guest Preacher, Director of ReFrame Ministries (formerly Back to God Hour)

- **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**, services can be streamed at www.firsterclynden.org.

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

UPCOMING OFFERINGS

- February 25 – Steve & Sandy - missionaries with Africa Inland Mission working with the Somali population. For more information, visit www.aimint.org.
- March 3 - Christian School Tuition Assistance

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 the church office during the week

PRAYER AND PRAISE ITEMS

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- Marsha M is now at home on hospice care.

THANK YOU

- Dear First Christian Reformed Church, Thank you! Your January offering of \$2754 is sincerely appreciated. We continue in our efforts to promote life, born and unborn! ~ Lynden Human Life

NEWS AND UPDATES

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 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.

HELP WANTED

Two teachers needed for Children's Church. Benefits include instant hero status, all you can eat Goldfish crackers, exercise during worship, unlimited high fives and free crayons. Join our Children's Ministry Team for spring session from March 5 - May 28 by contacting Stephanie R.

MISSION CELEBRATION WEEKEND - MARCH 16-17

Saturday, March 16

Join us at Faith Community Church for a delicious dinner, a time to meet with our mission partners, and hear from Steve & Sandy, with African Inland Missions and Sherrie, the Executive Directory of Whatcom County Pregnancy Clinic.

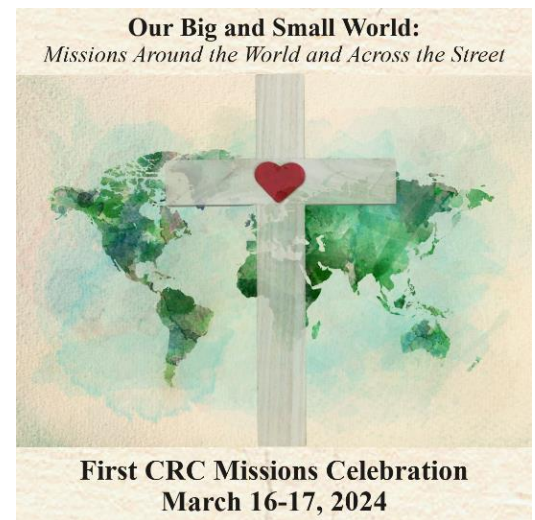
** During the presentations, there will be a supervised area in another room with a program/video for children ages 3 years – 2nd grade, but there will not be a nursery for younger children.

** A shuttle will be available for those not wanting to drive.

**** Registration is required for Saturday evening, but there is no cost to attend. Registration forms are available in your church mailbox, on the Welcome Center or online (see email).**

Sunday, March 17

- Education Hours - Fred, the Executive Director of Kidstown International will be presenting to the adults and students in 7th-12th grades.
- Morning Service – We will have the Presentation of Flags, Pastor Steve, with African Inland Missions, will bring us the message, and Sandy, will share with the Children's Church.
- Evening Service - Pastor Aaron of Friend of Sinners Reformed Church, will be bringing us the message.



UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS

EDUCATION CLASSES

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

- Adults: Led by Glenn G in Church Basement.
- Infants – Kindergarten: Childcare available in the Ed. Building
- 1st grade - 3rd grade: Led by Stephanie R in the Ed. Building
- 4th grade – 5th grade: Led by Andrew R the Ed. Building
- 6th grade – 8th grade: Led by Glen B in the Ed. Building
- 9th grade – 12th grade: Led by Mike S in the Loft

WOMEN'S MONDAY BIBLE STUDY

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*. In the midst of situations that beg us to see God as anything but good, Lamentations provides a way to actually grow closer to Him. 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.

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

We will meet on Monday, February 26 at 7:00 PM in the Loft. For more information, contact Jeff & Renee L or Patty R.

DEACONS

Deacons will meet Monday, February 26 at 7 PM in the Council Room.

MOMS@1ST

We will meet on Tuesday, February 27 at 9:30 AM in the Loft. For more information, contact Carly V.

WORSHIP PLANNING

Worship Planning will meet on Wednesday, February 28 at 7:00 PM in the Council Room.

TRIBE (HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY)

All high school students are invited to join us on Wednesday, February 28 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 29 at 10:00 AM in the Ed Building. Please prepare lesson 11. Servers are Jennie B and Tina D. 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 Saturday, March 2 at 7:00 AM in the Loft. For more information, contact Patrick J.

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