

First Christian Reformed Church  
Lynden, Washington  
March 10, 2024 ~ 6:00 PM Worship Service

**Call to Worship:** *Psalm 86:8-10*

*There is none like you, O Lord, nor are there any works like yours.*

*All the nations you have made shall come and bow down before you, O Lord, and shall glorify your name,  
For you are great and do wondrous things, you alone are God.*

**Opening Prayer**

***To God Be The Glory***

To God be the glory, great things He hath done!  
So loved He the world that He gave us His Son,  
Who yielded His life an atonement for sin  
And opened the lifegate that all may go in.

*Refrain:* Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the earth hear His voice.  
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the people rejoice.  
O come to the Father through Jesus the Son,  
And give Him the glory, great things He hath done.

O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood,  
To every believer the promise of God;  
The vilest offender who truly believes,  
That moment from Jesus a pardon receives. *Refrain*

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***What a Friend We Have in Jesus***

What a friend we have in Jesus, all our sins and griefs to bear!  
What a privilege to carry everything to God in prayer!  
O what peace we often forfeit, O what needless pain we bear,  
All because we do not carry everything to God in prayer.

Have we trials and temptations? Is there trouble anywhere?  
We should never be discouraged – take it to the Lord in prayer!  
Can we find a friend so faithful, who will all our sorrows share?  
Jesus knows our every weakness – take it to the Lord in prayer!

Are we weak and heavy laden, cumbered with a load of care?  
Precious Savior, still our refuge – take it to the Lord in prayer!  
Do thy friends despise, forsake thee? Take it to the Lord in prayer!  
In His arms He'll take and shield thee – Thou wilt find a solace there.

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**\* *Take Time to be Holy***

Take time to be holy, speak often with God;  
Find rest in Him always, and feed on His Word.  
Make friends of God's children, help those who are weak;  
Forgetting in nothing His blessing to seek.

Take time to be holy, the world rushes on;  
Much time spend in secret, with Jesus alone.  
By looking to Jesus, like Him Thou shalt be;  
Thy friends in thy conduct His likeness shall see.

Take time to be holy, let Him be Thy Guide;  
And run not before Him, whatever betide.  
In joy or in sorrow, still follow Thy Lord,  
And, looking to Jesus, still trust in His word.

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**Profession of Faith:** *Romans 5:1-11*

*Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God. **Not only that, but we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.***

*For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. For one will scarcely die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die— but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.*

*Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God. For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life. **More than that, we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.***

**Offering:** Dustin & Melissa, Converge Ministries

**Ministry of Music:** *The Lord's Prayer*

**Scripture:** *Matthew 6:6-13*

*<sup>6</sup> But when you pray, go into your room and shut the door and pray to your Father who is in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you. <sup>7</sup> “And when you pray, do not heap up empty phrases as the Gentiles do, for they think that they will be heard for their many words. <sup>8</sup> Do not be like them, for your Father knows what you need before you ask him. <sup>9</sup> Pray then like this:*

*“Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. <sup>10</sup> Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. <sup>11</sup> Give us this day our daily bread, <sup>12</sup> and forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. <sup>13</sup> And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.*

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Message:** *The Lord's Prayer Revisited*

**Open My Eyes Lord**

Open my eyes, that I may see glimpses of truth You have for me;  
Place in my hands the wonderful key that shall unlock and set me free.  
Silently now I wait for You, ready, my God, Your will to do;  
Open my eyes, illumine me, Spirit divine!

Open my mouth, let me declare words of assurance everywhere;  
Open my heart, and let me prepare Your loving kindnesses to share.  
Silently now I wait for You, ready, my God, Your will to do;  
Open my heart, illumine me, Spirit divine!

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**God's Blessing**

**We Receive Your Blessing**

We receive Your blessing, we receive Your grace, as we walk in the light shining from Your face.  
May the peace that You give change the way that we live; we receive Your blessing as we leave this place.

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below.  
Praise Him, above You heavenly hosts; praise Father, Son and praise the Holy Ghost.

We receive Your blessing, we receive Your grace, as we walk in the light shining from Your face.  
May the peace that You give change the way that we live; we receive Your blessing as we leave this place.

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Offering will be received for Dustin & Melissa, missionaries with Converge in the Isaan region of Thailand.

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