

# First Christian Reformed Church Lynden, Washington

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## Announcements for April 7, 2024

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### WORSHIP SERVICES

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**April 7 - 10:30 AM** - Guest Pastor - Will S, Pastor of Family and Youth, Third Church  
*John 21:15-19 "The Restoration of Peter"*

**April 7 - 6:00 PM** - Guest Pastor - Scott R, Pastor of Hope in Christ Church, Bellingham  
*Hebrews 1:1-4 "Jesus is Great!"*

**April 14 - 10:30 AM**

*Proverbs 3:9-10; I Corinthians 16:1-2; II Corinthians 9:7; Philippians 4:14-18*  
*"Stewardship of God's Gift of Money: Grow in the Grace of Giving"*

**April 14 - 6:00 PM**

*John 17 "The Other Lord's Prayer"*

- **Nursery** is available for children up to 3 years during the morning service in the Education Building.
- **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.firstcrclynden.org](http://www.firstcrclynden.org).

### TITHES AND OFFERINGS

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#### UPCOMING OFFERINGS

- April 7 – Christian School Tuition Assistance
- April 14 – Forged@First (First CRC 7<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade Youth Ministry)
- April 21 – GLOW (First CRC 2<sup>nd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> grade Girls Ministry)
- April 28 – Lighthouse Mission Ministries

#### 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
- Dropped off at church during the week
- Electronically through a bill pay service or online through Tithe.ly

You can give to the operating fund of the church at any time; there is no scheduled offering time for this fund. Please use a blue or green envelope, available on the Welcome Center, or write "Operating" on the memo line.

### PRAYER AND PRAISE ITEMS

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- Ramadan is the holiest month in the Islamic calendar and this year it is from March 10/11 through April 8/9. Muslims around the world will be fasting, praying and seeking Allah. They fast from before dawn until after sundown every day. At this time many Muslims are more spiritually attentive and are seeking revelation from Allah. Ramadan ends this week. Shifting from 30 days of fasting and prayer to a normal daily routine can be disorienting. Pray that as they reflect on Ramadan, the Holy Spirit will work in their hearts and lead them to Jesus.

## NEWS AND UPDATES

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### **YOUTH CHOIR SINGERS NEEDED!**

Calling all singers in grades 3-8! We are excited to be starting a youth choir again and all students in 3rd-8th grade are welcome to join us. We are planning to have the choir sing on Mother's Day, May 12 during the morning worship service. *Practice will be for 30 minutes after the morning worship service on Sunday, April 7.* If you have any questions, contact Sara K or Nancy Z.

### **PASTOR OUT OF TOWN**

Pastor Robert is out of town this week to visit kids and grandkids. If you have a need while he is away, contact your district elder.

### **DISCOVERY CLASS COMING SOON**

Are you interested in learning more about becoming a member of our church, making profession of faith, or just finding out more about First CRC? Discovery class covers who we are, how we got here, what we believe and what we do. If you are interested, contact Pastor Robert or the church office at 360-354-4560.

### **SHARING SHACK DONATIONS**

Steve and Sandy, missionaries with African Inland Missions, shared with us during our Missions Celebration about the "Sharing Shack" in front of their house. They provide free materials for their Muslim neighbors who are learning English.

We would like to send them books to help in this ministry. Donations of children's books in good condition, Bibles, even early reading workbooks from Dollar Tree, can be placed in the box by the Welcome Center before May 1. If you have questions, contact Phama W.

## UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS

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### **MEN'S BIBLE STUDY**

All young and middle-aged men are invited to join us for coffee, donuts and Bible study on Saturday, April 6 at 7:00 AM at Pat's Place. For more info, contact Patrick J.

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

We will meet on Monday, April 8 at 7:00 PM in the Loft. For more information, contact Jeff & Renee L or Patty R.

### **MOMS@1ST**

We will meet on Tuesday, April 9 at 9:45 AM in the Loft. For more information, contact Carly V.

### **WORSHIP PLANNING**

We will meet on Wednesday, April 10 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, April 10 at 7:30 PM in the Loft. For more information, contact Cal B.

### **TIRED AND RETIRED (40+ MINISTRY)**

The Tired and Retired ministry will be having a Spring Social on April 12 with snacks, desserts, fun activities with prizes, and great fellowship! Sign up now at the kiosk. For more information, contact Liz V.

### **WOMEN'S MONDAY BIBLE STUDY**

All women are invited to join our new Bible Study on the book of James. The book of James is filled with practical daily directions that show us how to live a godly life without the pressure of feeling like everything depends on us. If you find yourself growing weary in doing good works, wondering if your prayers are just hitting a ceiling, or sometimes questioning if living out your faith in Jesus is really worth it, this study is for you! This is a 7 week study, with **our first meeting on Monday, April 15** at 10:00 AM in the Loft. If you would like a book, contact the church office. For more information, contact JoAnn R).

## CHURCH INFORMATION

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