

First Christian Reformed Church  
Lynden, Washington  
April 21, 2024 ~ 10:30 AM Worship Service

**Call to Worship:** *Zephaniah 3:14, 17*

*Sing, O Daughter of Zion; shout aloud, O Israel!  
Be glad and rejoice with all your heart, O Daughter of Jerusalem!  
The LORD your God is with you, he is mighty to save.*

**God's Greeting**

***Bless the Lord, O My Soul***

*Refrain:* Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul, worship His holy name.  
Sing like never before, O my soul, I worship your holy name.

The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning; it's time to sing your song again.  
Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me, let me be singing when the evening comes. *Refrain*

You're rich in love and you're slow to anger; Your name is great and your heart is kind.  
For all your goodness, I will keep on singing, ten thousand reasons for my heart to find. *Refrain*

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***Who You Say I Am***

Who am I that the highest King would welcome me?  
I was lost but He brought me in, oh, His love for me. Oh, His love for me.  
Who the Son sets free, oh, is free indeed. I'm a child of God, yes, I am.  
  
Free at last, he has ransomed me. His grace runs deep.  
While I was a slave to sin, Jesus died for me. Yes, He died for me.  
In my Father's house there's a place for me. I'm a child of God, yes, I am.  
  
I am chosen, not forsaken; I am who You say I am.  
You are for me, not against me; I am who You say I am.  
I am chosen, not forsaken; I am who You say I am.  
You are for me, not against me; I am who You say I am. I am who You say I am.

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In my Father's house there's a place for me. I'm a child of God, yes, I am.

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***O God, You Are My God***

O God, you are my God, and I will ever praise you.  
O God, you are my God, and I will ever praise you.  
I will seek you in the morning, and I will learn to walk in your ways.  
And step by step you'll lead me, and I will follow you all of my days. *Repeat All*

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**Call to Confession:** *Psalms 25:11*

*For the sake of your name, LORD, forgive my iniquity, though it is great.*

**Prayer of Confession**

**Assurance:** *Psalms 34:1-10*

*I will bless the LORD at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth.  
My soul makes its boast in the LORD; let the humble hear and be glad.  
Oh, magnify the LORD with me, and let us exalt his name together!  
I sought the LORD, and he answered me and delivered me from all my fears.  
Those who look to him are radiant, and their faces shall never be ashamed.  
This poor man cried, and the LORD heard him and saved him out of all his troubles.  
The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear him, and delivers them.  
Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good! Blessed is the man who takes refuge in him!  
Oh, fear the LORD, you his saints, for those who fear him have no lack!  
The young lions suffer want and hunger; but those who seek the LORD lack no good thing.*

**GLOW Year In Review**

## Offertory Prayer

**Offering:** GLOW – First CRC Girls Ministry

**Offertory Ministry of Music:** *I'm So Blessed*

## Morning Prayer

### *Seek Ye First*

Seek ye first the kingdom of God and His righteousness,  
And all these things shall be added unto you. Allelu, alleluia.

We do not live by bread alone, but by every word  
That proceeds from the mouth of God. Allelu, alleluia.

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### **Scripture:** *II Kings 5:1-14*

<sup>1</sup>Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Syria, was a great man with his master and in high favor, because by him the LORD had given victory to Syria. He was a mighty man of valor, but he was a leper. <sup>2</sup>Now the Syrians on one of their raids had carried off a little girl from the land of Israel, and she worked in the service of Naaman's wife. <sup>3</sup>She said to her mistress, "Would that my lord were with the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his leprosy."

<sup>4</sup>So Naaman went in and told his lord, "Thus and so spoke the girl from the land of Israel." <sup>5</sup>And the king of Syria said, "Go now, and I will send a letter to the king of Israel." So he went, taking with him ten talents of silver, six thousand shekels of gold, and ten changes of clothing. <sup>6</sup>And he brought the letter to the king of Israel, which read, "When this letter reaches you, know that I have sent to you Naaman my servant, that you may cure him of his leprosy."

<sup>7</sup>And when the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes and said, "Am I God, to kill and to make alive, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his leprosy? Only consider, and see how he is seeking a quarrel with me."

<sup>8</sup>But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent to the king, saying, "Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come now to me, that he may know that there is a prophet in Israel." <sup>9</sup>So Naaman came with his horses and chariots and stood at the door of Elisha's house.

<sup>10</sup>And Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, "Go and wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored, and you shall be clean." <sup>11</sup>But Naaman was angry and went away, saying, "Behold, I thought that he would surely come out to me and stand and call upon the name of the LORD his God, and wave his hand over the place and cure the leper.

<sup>12</sup>Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them and be clean?" So he turned and went away in a rage. <sup>13</sup>But his servants came near and said to him, "My father, it is a great word the prophet has spoken to you; will you not do it? Has he actually said to you, 'Wash, and be clean'?" <sup>14</sup>So he went down and dipped himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God, and his flesh was restored like the flesh of a little child, and he was clean.

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Message:** *A Little Girl Use By a Big God*

### **Cornerstone**

My hope is built on nothing less, than Jesus' blood and righteousness.

I dare not trust the sweetest frame, but wholly trust in Jesus' name.

*Refrain:* Christ alone. Cornerstone. Weak made strong in the Savior's love.  
Through the storm, He is Lord, Lord of all.

When darkness seems to hide His face, I rest on His unchanging grace.

In every high and stormy gale, my anchor holds within the veil. *Refrain.*

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## God's Blessing

### **My Friends, May You Grow in Grace**

My friends, may you grow in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord and Savior.

My friends, may you grow in grace and in the knowledge of Jesus Christ.

To God be the glory, now and forever, now and forever, amen.

To God be the glory, now and forever, now and forever, amen.

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Music: Sharon A, Nancy Z, Klara B, Kaylee B, Paisely G, Lisa K, Karmyn H, Norah M, Hazel M, Maya M, Jack P, Kingston P, Avery R, Ella V, Genevieve W, Isabelle W

Offering will be received for the GLOW, a ministry of First CRC for girls in 2<sup>nd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grade.

Nursery is available with a paging system for children under 3 years during worship service in the Education Building.

Children's Church is available for children 3 years – 3<sup>rd</sup> grade. Children are dismissed to the Education Building during the service.

Worship services are also broadcast live in the basement and streamed online for anyone unable to worship in the sanctuary.

An assistive listening system is available in the sanctuary; to use this system, switch hearing aids to "T".

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