

First Christian Reformed Church
Lynden, Washington
May 5, 2024 ~ 10:30 AM Worship Service

Call to Worship: *Revelation 15:3b-4*

“Great and marvelous are your deeds, Lord God Almighty.

Just and true are your ways, King of the ages.

Who will not fear you, O Lord, and bring glory to your name?

For you alone are holy.

All nations will come and worship before you, for your righteous acts have been revealed.”

God’s Greeting

O Father, You Are Sovereign

O Father, You are sovereign in all the worlds You made;
Your mighty Word was spoken and light and life obeyed.
Your voice commands the seasons and bounds the ocean's shore,
Sets stars within their courses and stills the tempest's roar.

O Father, You are sovereign in all affairs of man;
No powers of death or darkness can thwart Your perfect plan.
All chance and change transcending supreme in time and space,
You hold Your trusting children secure in Your embrace.

O Father, You are sovereign we see You dimly now,
But soon before Your triumph earth's every knee shall bow.
With this glad hope before us our faith springs up anew;
Our Sovereign Lord and Savior, we trust and worship You.

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Beautiful Savior

Beautiful Savior! King of creation! Son of God and Son of Man!
Truly I'd love thee, truly I'd serve thee, light of my soul, my joy, my crown.

Fair are the meadows, fair are the woodlands, robed in flow'rs of blooming spring;
Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer; he makes our sorr'wing spirit sing.

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Behold Our God

Who has held the oceans in His hands? Who has numbered every grain of sand?
Kings and nations tremble at His voice. All creation rises to rejoice.

Refrain: Behold our God, seated on His throne. Come, let us adore Him.
Behold our King, nothing can compare. Come let us adore Him!

Who has felt the nails upon His hands, bearing all the guilt of sinful man?
God eternal, humbled to the grave. Jesus, Savior, risen now to reign! *Refrain*

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Call to Confession: *Psalms 51:1-4*

*Have mercy on me, O God, according to your unfailing love;
according to your great compassion blot out my transgressions.*

Wash away all my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin.

For I know my transgressions, and my sin is always before me.

*Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight,
so that you are proved right when you speak and justified when you judge.*

Prayer of Confession

Assurance: *II Corinthians 5:21*

*God made him who had no sin to be sin for us,
so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.*

There is a Redeemer

There is a Redeemer, Jesus, God's own Son;
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah, Holy One.

Refrain: Thank You, O my Father, for giving us Your Son,
And leaving Your Spirit till the work on earth is done.

Jesus my Redeemer, name above all names,
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah, hope for sinners slain. *Refrain*

When I stand in glory, I will see His face,
And there I'll serve my King forever, in that holy place. *Refrain*

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Offertory Prayer and Offering: Building Fund

Morning Prayer

Speak, O Lord

Speak, O Lord, as we come to You, to receive the food of Your holy Word.
Take Your truth, plant it deep in us; shape and fashion us in Your likeness,
That the light of Christ might be seen today, in our acts of love and our deeds of faith.
Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us all Your purposes for Your glory.

Teach us Lord, full obedience, holy reverence, true humility.
Test our thoughts and our attitudes, in the radiance of Your purity.
Cause our faith to rise, cause our eyes to see, Your majestic love and authority.
Words of power that can never fail; let their truth prevail over unbelief.

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Scripture: Romans 1:16-17

¹⁶ For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek. ¹⁷ For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith for faith, as it is written, "The righteous shall live by faith."

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Message: Romans 1 through 5 Revisited

The Solid Rock

My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus' blood and righteousness;
I dare not trust the sweetest frame, but wholly lean on Jesus' name.

Refrain: On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand; all other ground is sinking sand, all other ground is sinking sand.

His oath, His covenant, His blood, support me in the whelming flood;
When all around my soul gives way, He then is all my hope and stay. *Refrain*

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God's Blessing

The Solid Rock

When He shall come with trumpet sound, O may I then in Him be found;
Dressed in His righteousness alone, faultless to stand before the throne.

Refrain: On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand; all other ground is sinking sand, all other ground is sinking sand.

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Pastor: Robert W

Prayer: Mark T, David W

Music: Cheryl K, Nancy Z

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