

First Christian Reformed Church
Lynden, Washington
May 5, 2024 ~ 6:30 PM Worship Service

Call to Worship: *John 3:16-17*

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.

Opening Prayer

Come, People of the Risen King

Come, people of the risen King, who delight to bring Him praise.
Come, all, and tune your hearts to sing to the Morning Star of grace.
From the shifting shadows of the earth we will lift our eyes to Him,
Where steady arms of mercy reach to gather children in.

Refrain: Rejoice! Rejoice! Let every tongue rejoice!
One heart, one voice, O Church of Christ, rejoice!

Come, those whose joy is morning sun, and those weeping through the night.
Come, those who tell of battles won, and those struggling in the fight.
For His perfect love will never change, and His mercies never cease,
But follow us through all our days with the certain hope of peace. *Refrain*

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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.

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*

And on that day when my strength is failing,
The end draws near and my time has come,
Soon my soul will sing your praise unending,
Ten thousand years and then forever more. *Refrain*

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Power of the Cross

O, to see the dawn of the darkest day; Christ on the road to Calvary.
Tried by sinful men, torn and beaten, then nailed to a cross of wood.
This the power of the cross: Christ became sin for us.
Took the blame, bore the wrath; we stand forgiven at the cross.

O, to see my name written in the wounds, for through Your suffering I am free.
Death is crushed to death, life is mine to live, won through Your selfless love.
This the power of the cross: Son of God slain for us.
What a love, what a cost! We stand forgiven at the cross.

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Profession of Faith: *Romans 6:14; II Peter 1:3*

*For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace.
His divine power has granted to us all things that pertain to life and godliness,
through the knowledge of him who called us to his own glory and excellence.*

Offering: Building Fund

Evening Prayer

The Heavens Declare Your Glory

The heavens declare your glory, the firmament your power;
Day unto day the story repeats from hour to hour.
Night unto night replying, proclaims in every land,
O Lord, with voice undying, the wonders of your hand.

The sun with royal splendor goes forth to chant your praise,
And moonbeams soft and tender their gentler anthem raise.
O'er every tribe and nation the music is outpoured,
The song of all creation to you, creation's Lord.

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Scripture: II Peter 1:19-21

¹⁹ And we have the prophetic word more fully confirmed, to which you will do well to pay attention as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts, ²⁰ knowing this first of all, that no prophecy of Scripture comes from someone's own interpretation. ²¹ For no prophecy was ever produced by the will of man, but men spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit.

I Peter 1:23-25 ²³ Since you have been born again, not of perishable seed but of imperishable, through the living and abiding word of God; ²⁴ for

"All flesh is like grass and all its glory like the flower of grass.

The grass withers, and the flower falls,

²⁵ but the word of the Lord remains forever."

And this word is the good news that was preached to you.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Message: A Walk Through the Bible

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*

God's Blessing

Every Promise

From the breaking of the dawn to the setting of the sun,

I will stand on ev'ry promise of Your Word.

Words of power, strong to save, that will never pass away,

I will stand on ev'ry promise of Your Word.

For Your covenant is sure, and on this I am secure—

I can stand on ev'ry promise of Your Word.

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Pastor: Robert W

Music: Lisa Q

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