

First Christian Reformed Church
Lynden, Washington
June 16, 2024 ~ 10:30 AM Worship Service

Call to Worship: *Psalm 67:3-4*

Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you!

Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you judge the peoples with equity and guide the nations upon earth.

God's Greeting

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee;
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty! God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore Thee, casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
Cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee, who wert and art and ever-more shalt be.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! All Thy works shall praise Thy name in earth and sky and sea;
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty! God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

("Holy, Holy, Holy" words by Reginald Heber, music by John B. Dykes © 1948, renewed 1976 by the H.W. Gray Company, Inc. CCLI# 358926 Streaming License #20317932)

Sing to the Lord, Sing His Praise

Sing to the Lord, sing His praise all you peoples; new be your song as new honors you pay.
Sing of His majesty, praise Him forever, show His salvation from day to day.

Tell of his wondrous works, tell of his glory till through the nations his name is revered.
Praise and exalt him, for he is almighty; God over all, let the Lord be feared.

Say to the nations. "The Lord reigns forever." Earth is established as he did decree.
Righteous and just is the King of the nations, judging the peoples with equity.

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Call to Confession: *I John 1:8-9*

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Prayer of Confession:

O Father, receive again the thing which you have created.

O Son, receive the thing which you have governed.

O Holy Spirit, fetch the thing which you so bountifully have preserved.

Three persons and one very God, I entreat you: remember not my offenses forever.

For I cry, Lord God and Father, have mercy.

Lord God Son, have mercy.

Lord God Holy Spirit, have mercy. Amen.

Assurance: *Psalm 32:5*

I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not cover my iniquity;

I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD," and you forgave the iniquity of my sin.

How Great Thou Art

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder consider all the works Thy hand hath made,
I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder, Thy power throughout the universe displayed:

Refrain: Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee; how great Thou art, how great Thou art!
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But when I think that God, his Son not sparing, sent him to die, I scarce can take it in,
That on the cross my burden gladly bearing He bled and died to take away my sin; *Refrain*

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Offertory Prayer

Offering: Lynden SERVE

Morning Prayer

O Worship the King

O worship the King, all glorious above, and gratefully sing His wonderful love;
Our Shield and Defender, the Ancient of Days, pavilioned in splendor, and girded with praise.

O tell of His might, and sing of His grace, whose robe is the light, whose canopy space.
His chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form, and dark is His path on the wings of the storm.

All hail to the King! In splendor enthroned; glad praises we bring, Thy wonders make known.
Returning victorious, great conqueror of sin, King Jesus, all glorious, our victory will win.

("O Worship the King" text by Robert Grant, music adapted from Johann Michael Haydn, CCLI 358926, Streaming License 20317932)

Scripture: Romans 7:13-25

¹³ Did that which is good, then, bring death to me? By no means! It was sin, producing death in me through what is good, in order that sin might be shown to be sin, and through the commandment might become sinful beyond measure. ¹⁴ For we know that the law is spiritual, but I am of the flesh, sold under sin. ¹⁵ For I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. ¹⁶ Now if I do what I do not want, I agree with the law, that it is good. ¹⁷ So now it is no longer I who do it, but sin that dwells within me. ¹⁸ For I know that nothing good dwells in me, that is, in my flesh. For I have the desire to do what is right, but not the ability to carry it out. ¹⁹ For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I keep on doing. ²⁰ Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I who do it, but sin that dwells within me. ²¹ So I find it to be a law that when I want to do right, evil lies close at hand. ²² For I delight in the law of God, in my inner being, ²³ but I see in my members another law waging war against the law of my mind and making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. ²⁴ Wretched man that I am! Who will deliver me from this body of death? ²⁵ Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord! So then, I myself serve the law of God with my mind, but with my flesh I serve the law of sin.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Message: Our Ongoing, Internal Battle with Sin

How Deep the Father's Love for Us

How deep the Father's love for us, how vast beyond all measure
That He should give His only Son to make a wretch His treasure.
How great the pain of searing loss, the Father turns His face away
As wounds which mar the Chosen One bring many sons to glory.

Behold the Man upon the cross, my sin upon His shoulders.
Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice call out among the scoffers.
It was my sin that held Him there until it was accomplished;
His dying breath has brought me life. I know that it is finished.

I will not boast in anything; no gifts, no pow'r, no wisdom.
But I will boast in Jesus Christ: His death and resurrection.
Why should I gain from His reward? I cannot give an answer.
But this I know with all my heart: His wounds have paid my ransom.

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God's Blessing

Glory Be to the Father

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost,
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

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Pastor: Robert W
Music: Sharon A, Mike H, Brad H

Prayer: Greg T, Roger P

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