

First Christian Reformed Church
Lynden, Washington
June 16, 2024 ~ 6:00 PM Worship Service

Call to Worship:

People of God, worship the living God today!
Remember that out of nothing God created the heavens and earth.
Remember that God raised Jesus from the powerlessness of death to the power of his right hand.
Remember that not even the gates of hell can stand against God's purposes.
Behold our God, who reigns now and forever!

Opening Prayer

God of Creation, All-Powerful

God of creation, all-powerful, all-wise, Lord of the universe rich with surprise,
Maker, Sustainer, and Ruler of all, we are your children, you hear when we call.

God of the ages, through time's troubled years, You are the one in whom history coheres;
Nations and empires your purpose fulfill, moving in freedom, yet working your will.

God of redemption, who wrought our rebirth, call out your church from the ends of the earth,
Still you are Savior, put darkness to flight; overcome sin by salvation's pure light!

God of your people, your Word still stands fast; do for us now as you've done in the past!
Yours is the kingdom, your triumph we claim, challenging evil in Jesus' strong name.

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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.

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My Faith Looks Up to Thee

My faith looks up to Thee, Thou Lamb of Calvary, Savior divine!
Now hear me while I pray; take all my guilt away.
O let me from this day be wholly Thine!

May Thy rich grace impart strength to my fainting heart, my zeal inspire.
As Thou has died for me, O may my love to Thee
Pure, warm and changeless be, a living fire.

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Profession of Faith: *Psalm 1*

***Blessed is the man
who walks not in the counsel of the wicked,
nor stands in the way of sinners,
nor sits in the seat of scoffers;
but his delight is in the law of the LORD,
and on his law he meditates day and night.
He is like a tree
planted by streams of water
that yields its fruit in its season,
and its leaf does not wither.
In all that he does, he prospers.
The wicked are not so,
but are like chaff that the wind drives away.
Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment,
nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous;
for the LORD knows the way of the righteous,
but the way of the wicked will perish.***

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Evening Prayer

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

Guide me, O Thou great Jehovah, pilgrim through this barren land;
I am weak, but Thou art mighty, hold me with Thy powerful hand:
Bread of heaven, Bread of heaven, feed me 'til I want no more, feed me 'til I want no more.

Open now the crystal fountain, whence the healing stream doth flow;
Let the fire and cloudy pillar lead me all my journey through:
Strong Deliverer, strong Deliverer, be Thou still my strength and shield, be Thou still my strength and shield.

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Scripture: *Deuteronomy 6:4-9; 10:12-20*

⁴ "Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one. ⁵ You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might. ⁶ And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart.

⁷ You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise. ⁸ You shall bind them as a sign on your hand, and they shall be as frontlets between your eyes. ⁹ You shall write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.

¹² "And now, Israel, what does the LORD your God require of you, but to fear the LORD your God, to walk in all his ways, to love him, to serve the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul, ¹³ and to keep the commandments and statutes of the LORD, which I am commanding you today for your good? ¹⁴ Behold, to the LORD your God belong heaven and the heaven of heavens, the earth with all that is in it. ¹⁵ Yet the LORD set his heart in love on your fathers and chose their offspring after them, you above all peoples, as you are this day. ¹⁶ Circumcise therefore the foreskin of your heart, and be no longer stubborn. ¹⁷ For the LORD your God is God of gods and Lord of lords, the great, the mighty, and the awesome God, who is not partial and takes no bribe. ¹⁸ He executes justice for the fatherless and the widow, and loves the sojourner, giving him food and clothing. ¹⁹ Love the sojourner, therefore, for you were sojourners in the land of Egypt. ²⁰ You shall fear the LORD your God. You shall serve him and hold fast to him, and by his name you shall swear.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Message: *A Walk Thru the Bible – Deuteronomy*

Like A River Glorious

Like a river glorious is God's perfect peace, over all victorious in its bright increase;
Perfect, yet still flowing fuller every day; perfect, yet still growing deeper all the way.
Trusting in the Father, hearts are fully blest, finding, as he promised, perfect peace and rest.

Hidden in the hollow of his mighty hand, where no harm can follow, in his strength we stand.
We may trust him fully all for us to do; those who trust him wholly find him wholly true.
Trusting in the Father, hearts are fully blest, finding, as he promised, perfect peace and rest.

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God's Blessing

Lead Me, Guide Me

Refrain: Lead me, guide me, along the way, for if You lead me, I cannot stray.
Lord, let me walk each day with You, lead me my whole life through.

Help me walk in the paths of righteousness; be my aid when Satan and sin oppress.
I am trusting You whatever may be. Lead me, O Lord, lead me. *Refrain*

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