

First Christian Reformed Church
Lynden, Washington
July 14, 2024 ~ 6:00 PM Worship Service

Call to Worship: *Hebrews 12:28-29*

***Therefore let us be grateful
for receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken,
and thus let us offer to God acceptable worship,
with reverence and awe,
for our God is a consuming fire.***

Opening Prayer

Let All Things Now Living #389:1,2 (HFG)

Let all things now living a song of thanksgiving
To God the Creator triumphantly raise,
Who fashioned and made us, protected and stayed us,
Who guideth us on to the end of our days.
His banners are o'er us, his light goes before us,
A pillar of fire shining forth in the night,
'Til shadows have vanished and darkness is banished,
As forward we travel from light into light.

His law he enforces; the stars in their courses
The sun in His orbit, obediently shine;
The hills and the mountains, the rivers and fountains,
The deeps of the ocean proclaim him divine.
We too should be voicing our love and rejoicing;
With glad adoration a song let us raise,
'Til all things now living unite in thanksgiving:
To God in the highest, hosanna and praise!

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To God Be the Glory #363:1,2 (HFG)

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*

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Profession of Faith: *The Beatitudes Matthew 5:3-10*

***Blessed are the poor in spirit,
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
Blessed are those who mourn,
for they will be comforted.
Blessed are the meek,
for they will inherit the earth.***

*Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness,
for they will be filled.
Blessed are the merciful,
for they will be shown mercy.
Blessed are the pure in heart,
for they will see God.
Blessed are the peacemakers,
for they will be called children of God.
Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness,
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.*

Offering: Northwest Seafarers

Evening Prayer

Victory in Jesus #82:1,2,3 (HFG)

I heard an old, old story, how a Savior came from glory,
How He gave His life on Calvary to save a wretch like me;
I heard about his groaning, of his precious blood's atoning,
Then I repented of my sins and won the victory.

Refrain: O victory in Jesus, my Savior, forever!
He sought me and bought me with his redeeming blood;
He loved me ere I knew him, and all my love is due him;
He plunged me to victory beneath the cleansing flood.

I heard about His healing, of His cleansing pow'r revealing,
How He made the lame to walk again and caused the blind to see.
And then I cried, "Dear Jesus, come and heal my broken spirit."
And somehow Jesus came and brought to me the victory. *Refrain*

I heard about a mansion He has built for me in glory,
And I heard about the streets of gold beyond the crystal sea;
About the angels singing and the old redemption story,
And some sweet day I'll sing up there the song of victory. *Refrain*

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Scripture: *Philippians 3:20-21*

²⁰ *But our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we await a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, ²¹ who will transform our lowly body to be like his glorious body, by the power that enables him even to subject all things to himself.*

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Message: *Citizenship!*

O Come, All Ye Faithful #193:1,2 (HFG)

O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant!
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem!
Come and behold Him, born the King of angels;

Refrain: O come, let us adore Him,
O come, let us adore Him,
O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord!

Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation,
O sing, all ye citizens of heaven above:
Glory to God, all glory in the highest; *Refrain*

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God's Blessing

Rejoice, Rejoice Believers

#333:1,3 (PH)

Rejoice, rejoice, believers, and let your lights appear!
The evening is advancing and darker night is near.
The Bridegroom is arising and soon he will draw nigh;
Up, watch in expectation! At midnight comes the cry.

Our hope and expectation, O Jesus, now appear;
Arise, O Sun so longed for, above this darkened sphere.
With hearts and hands up-lifted, we plead, O Lord, to see
The day of earth's redemption that sets your people free!

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