

# First Christian Reformed Church

## Lynden, Washington

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### *Announcements for July 21, 2024*

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#### WORSHIP SERVICES

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**July 21 – 10:30 AM** – Jim V

*Luke 22:63-71 “God in the Hand of Angry Sinners”*

**July 21 – 6:00 PM** – Chuck K

*I John 2:12-17 “A Reason To Write”*

**July 28 – 10:30 AM**

*Romans 8:12-17 “By the Spirit, Killing Sin, Heirs with Christ”*

**July 28 – 6:00 PM**

*Ruth 1:1-6; 1:22-23 “A Walk Thru the Bible – Ruth”*

- **Nursery** is available for children up to 3 years during the morning service in the Education Building.
- **Children's Church** is available for children 3 years – 3rd grade during the morning service.
- **After the Service**, join us for a time of fellowship on the lawn or in the church basement.
- **Join us online**, services can be streamed at [www.firstcrlcynden.org](http://www.firstcrlcynden.org).

#### TITHES AND OFFERINGS

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##### UPCOMING OFFERINGS

- **July 21 Gideons** are an organization with the primary purpose to win souls for Christ. One of their main ministries is the placement of Bibles in “human traffic lanes”, placing almost 63 million scriptures annually. For more information, visit [www.gideons.org](http://www.gideons.org).
- **July 28** - First CRC Benevolence Fund is used to help local people and families in times of need. For more information on the benevolence fund talk to any deacon.

##### TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Any tithes or offering can be given the following ways:

- Placed in the offering bag on Sunday
- Mailed to the church office
- Dropped off at church during the week
- Electronically through a bill pay service or online through [Tithe.ly](http://Tithe.ly)

#### PRAYER AND PRAISE ITEMS

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##### BIRTHDAY GREETINGS

- Don S celebrated his 82<sup>nd</sup> birthday on July 19<sup>th</sup>.

##### PRAISE ITEMS

- Glen & Karen B would like to thank the congregation for your thoughts and prayers regarding their daughter Wendy. She had successful surgery to remove and replace two discs in her neck. The migraine headaches have now stopped and she is slowly regaining strength in her arm.
- How blest we are to belong to the family of God. How grateful we are for God's loving kindness, His presence and healing power. With gratitude we thank our Lord for you, your prayers and each expression of love and support. Thank you First Church Family ~ Lamar and Eleanor VG

##### SYMPATHY

- We express our sympathy to Darlene M with the passing of her brother-in-law, Gary M, on July 14.

## **PRAYER ITEMS**

- **Cadets** have their annual Sumas Camp this week July 25-28.
- **Darren G** had surgery on Monday, July 15.
- **Lena Marie VG** is at home recovering after a fall last week.
- **Glen B** has low grade lymphoma. He will have chemo 2x a month for 6 months.
- **Lamar VG** is back at home.
- **Associate Pastor Search Team** covets your prayers as they seek to make a decision on candidates. The team will be doing their second in-person interview with a candidate from out of state in early July.
- **Rock the Block 2024** Pray for the planning team as they begin to finalize details and pray that God would raise up volunteers willing to serve in this ministry to children around Lynden this summer.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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### **WORSHIP SERVICES FOR JULY 21**

AM - We welcome Pastor Jim V to our pulpit this morning. Pastor Visbeek is the Associate Pastor at Victory Christian Fellowship in Lynden. He served Victory as Lead Pastor for 10 years and now has transitioned to Associated Pastor.

PM - We welcome Pastor Chuck K to our pulpit this evening. Pastor Chuck is the Pastor of Congregational Life at First Reformed Church in Lynden.

### **MOMS@1ST**

Moms@1<sup>st</sup> is looking for a mentor mom. Mentor moms have children out of the house and provide wisdom, encouragement and prayer to moms with children still in their homes. If this sounds like it may be a good fit, please contact Carly VW.

## **UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS**

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**MEN'S BIBLE STUDY** - Join us for coffee, donuts and Bible study on Saturday, July 20 at 7:00 AM at Pat's Place. For more information, contact Patrick J.

### **ANNUAL CHURCH PICNIC**

Everyone is invited to the church picnic on Monday July 22 at the Antique Tractor Pavilion, Berthusen Park. Come around 6 pm with dinner starting at 6:30. Church will provide paper plates, and plastic forks. Drinks will be provided. This is also a shared potluck so families with last names A-M bring desserts and N-Z bring your favorite salad (First CRC Potato Salad will be provided). The main course will be pulled sloppy joes and hot dogs. There will be games for everyone: scavenger hunt, barrel train rides, yard billiards, volleyball, face painting, candy toss, tug of war and much more. A donation box will be available to offset some of the expenses. If you need a ride or more information, call the church office at 354-4560.

### **COUNCIL**

Council will meet on Tuesday, July 23 at 6:30 PM in the Council Room.

### **MEN'S PRAYER GROUP**

Join us for prayer on Wednesday mornings at 7:00 AM at Pat's Place. For more information, contact Patrick J.

### **WORSHIP PLANNING**

The Worship Planning Team will meet Wednesday, July 24 at 7:00 PM in the Council Room.

### **FIRST FAMILY CAMP - SEPTEMBER 6-8**

When: Friday, September 6 - Sunday, September 8

Where: Howard Miller Steelhead Park in Rockport, Washington

Who: Everyone! There are spots for those with RV's or with tents!

Cost: \$75 for the weekend

If you are interested in knowing more, contact Amy V or the church office.

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## ROCK THE BLOCK – JULY 23-25, 2024

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### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

A day camp of this size takes an incredible force of amazing volunteers. Teens and Adults - WE NEED YOU! We are looking for helpers ages 12+. From group leaders, junior leaders, registration, set-up/take-down, nurses, etc.- we need you! Pray and consider how you can help make a KINGDOM IMPACT this summer as we join other local churches to host an outdoor day camp for kids. Childcare provided. If you are willing to volunteer, contact Stephanie R (stephanier@firstcrclinden.org, 360-433-7616).

### **MISSIONS STATION HELP AND SUPPLIES NEEDED**

We are replacing our craft station with a missions station where we get to practice living out the Word.

On Day 1 of RTB: The kids will be making fleece blankets from kits where they tie the edges. We collected 50 blanket kits already. **We need help prepping by pinning and cutting strips along the outside of the blankets.** These will be given to families when they move into New Way Ministries as a welcome blanket. Don Kok will be presenting to the kids that day on behalf of Project Hope and we also hope to have the kids collect food for a food drive for the food bank.

On Day 2 of RTB: The kids will be assembling Hot Weather Kits for the Lighthouse Mission- enough for 200 1-gallon sized bags/packets. Each RTB church is splitting up and gathering donations for the items inside. **First CRC is tasked with collecting 200 (or more) snack-sized skittles and bottles of Gatorade.** These will be given to the Lighthouse Mission to be handed out by their street team. If we get more than 200, we plan to make extra kits. Roger Burke will be presenting that day on behalf of the Lighthouse Mission.

On Day 3 of RTB: We do not need any assistance with prep or supplies and we have already contributed beads to make bracelets for Kidstown International with our guest speaker being Rusty Polinder.

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### **CHURCH INFORMATION**

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Office Hours: Monday – Friday 8:30 AM – 12:30 PM