

First Christian Reformed Church
Lynden, Washington
August 4, 2024 ~ 10:30 AM Worship Service

Call to Worship: *Psalm 47:1, 2, 7a, 8*

Clap your hands, all peoples! Shout to God with loud songs of joy!

For the Lord, the Most High, is to be feared,

a great king over all the earth.

For God is the King of all the earth;

God reigns over the nations; God sits on his holy throne.

Come Let us worship the King.

God's Greeting

Rejoice, the Lord is King

Rejoice, the Lord is King! Your Lord and King adore!

Rejoice, give thanks, and sing, and triumph evermore:

Lift up your heart, lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

The Lord, our Savior, reigns, the God of truth and love;

When He had purged our stains, He took His seat above:

Lift up your heart, lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

His kingdom cannot fail, He rules o'er earth and heaven;

The keys of death and hell are to our Jesus given:

Lift up your heart, lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

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That's Why We Praise Him

He came to live, live a perfect life;

He came to be the living Word, our light.

He came to die so we'd be reconciled;

He came to rise to show his power and might.

Refrain: That's why we praise him, that's why we sing.

That's why we offer him our everything.

That's why we bow down and worship this king,

'Cause he gave his everything;

'Cause He gave his everything.

He came to live, live again in us;

He came to be our conquering King and Friend.

He came to heal and show the lost ones his love;

He came to go prepare a place for us. *Refrain*

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He is Lord

He is Lord, he is Lord, he is risen from the dead, and he is Lord!

Every knee shall bow, every tongue confess

That Jesus Christ is Lord.

He is King, he is King, he will draw all nations to him; he is King!

And the time shall be when the world shall sing

That Jesus Christ is King.

He is Life, he is Life, he has died to set us free, and he is Life!

And he calls us all to live evermore, for Jesus Christ is Life.

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Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession: *Psalm 51:1-4a, 9-10*

*Have mercy on me, O God,
according to your steadfast love;
according to your abundant mercy
blot out my transgressions.
Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity,
and cleanse me from my sin!
For I know my transgressions,
and my sin is ever before me.
Against you, you only, have I sinned
and done what is evil in your sight.
Hide your face from my sins,
and blot out all my iniquities.
Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and renew a right spirit within me.*

Assurance: *Psalm 51:11-12*

*You cast me not away from your presence,
and take not your Holy Spirit from me.
You restore to me the joy of your salvation,
and uphold me with a willing spirit.*

His Mercy is More

What love could remember no wrongs we have done?
Omniscient, all-knowing, He counts not their sum.
Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore,
Our sins, they are many, His mercy is more.

What patience would wait as we constantly roam?
What Father, so tender, is calling us home?
He welcomes the weakest, the vilest, the poor.
Our sins, they are many, His mercy is more.

What riches of kindness He lavished on us.
His blood was the payment His life was the cost.
We stood 'neath a debt we could never afford.
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more.

Refrain: Praise the Lord, His mercy is more.
Stronger than darkness, new every morn.
Our sins, they are many, His mercy is more. *Repeat Refrain*

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Offertory Prayer

Offertory Ministry of Music: *Shone On Us*

Offering: Christian School Tuition Assistance

Morning Prayer

Scripture: *Romans 8:14-18*

¹⁴ For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God. ¹⁵ For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons, by whom we cry, "Abba! Father!" ¹⁶ The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷ and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, provided we suffer with him in order that we may also be glorified with him. ¹⁸ For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory that is to be revealed to us.

This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Message: *By the Spirit, Heirs with Christ*

Who You Say I Am

Who am I that the highest King would welcome me?
I was lost but He brought me in, oh, His love for me.
Oh, His love for me.
Who the Son sets free, oh, is free indeed.
I'm a child of God, yes, I am.

Free at last, he has ransomed me. His grace runs deep.
While I was a slave to sin, Jesus died for me.
Yes, He died for me.
In my Father's house there's a place for me.
I'm a child of God, yes, I am.

I am chosen, not forsaken; I am who You say I am.
You are for me, not against me; I am who You say I am.
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God's Blessing

Go, My Children, With My Blessing

Go, my children, with my blessing, never alone.
Waking, sleeping, I am with you; you are my own.
In my love's baptismal river I have made you mine forever.
Go, my children, with my blessing – you are my own.

I, the Lord, will bless and keep you and give you peace;
I, the Lord, will smile upon you and give you peace;
I, the Lord, will be your Father, Savior, Comforter and Brother.
Go, my children, I will keep you and give you peace.

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