

# First Christian Reformed Church

## October 2024 News & Updates

### *Worship Services*

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Join us on Sunday at 10:30 AM and at 6:00 PM. For anyone unable to attend in person, worship services are live streamed on our website. Past services can be viewed on our livestream library on our website.

### *Childcare and Education Classes*

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#### **NURSERY**

Nursery is available in the Ed. Building during the 10:30 AM service.

#### **CHILDREN'S CHURCH**

Children's Church is available for children 3 years-3rd grade during the 10:30 AM service. Children begin in the sanctuary and then are dismissed to the Education Building during the service, as indicated on the bulletin.

#### **EDUCATION CLASSES**

Education Classes meet at 9:30 AM on Sundays. Feel free to join any of these at any time!

- **Adults:** Led by Glenn Gerlach in the Church Basement
- **Infants – Kindergarten:** Childcare available in the Ed. Building
- **1st grade - 3rd grade:** Led by Stephanie R in the Ed. Building
- **4th grade – 5th grade:** Led by Andrew R the Ed. Building
- **6th grade – 8th grade:** Led by Glen B in the Ed. Building
- **9th grade – 12th grade:** Led by Mike S in the Loft

### *Prayer Items*

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#### **DEALING WITH ONGOING MEDICAL ISSUES**

- John M is undergoing kidney dialysis three days a week.
- Kristi N is dealing with difficulty swallowing.

#### **REMEMBERING THOSE IN CARE FACILITIES**

- Cascade Christian Home – Amy B
- Lakeside Gardens – Ruth B
- Lynden Adult Family Home – Vernon S
- Lynden Manor – Greta E, Agnes R
- Meadow Greens – Grace H, Perlene H, Ada V
- Orchard Park – Carol Z
- Silverado Care – Myrna B, Jean VH
- Shuksan Healthcare – Kristi N

**SHUT-IN MEMBERS** who are struggling with ongoing health issues or the effects of aging and keep in your prayers those who need significant assistance and their caregivers.

**PHASE III BUILDING** as we seek God's wisdom, leading and sufficient provision for building our future.

**SUMMIT HOUSE** is a discipleship program aimed at helping those who are having a difficult time establishing themselves in life, work, and the church. Bethel CRC and First CRC are partnering with Envision Mission on the first house for women, located on the Bethel CRC property. Two houses for men are located in Bellingham and Lynden.

#### **FIRST CRC MISSIONARIES**

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| • Melissa - Resonate Ministries | • Memli & Luiza – Albania         | • Mitchell & Rochelle – Envision |
| • Aaron – Friend of Sinners     | • Al & Julie – OM                 | • Gary – Northwest Seafarers     |
| • Ray & Angie – East-West       | • Tim & Charlene – Youth Dynamics | • Ken & Chris – Wycliffe         |
| • Steve & Sandy – AIM           |                                   | • Snehakunja Home – Kidstown     |
| • Dustin & Melissa – Converge   | • Eric & Penny – PIM              |                                  |

## *Dates to Remember*

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- Saturday, October 5 - Cadet Bike Day
- Tuesday, October 15 - Ministry Teams Meet
- Sunday, October 20 - Celebration of the Lord's Supper, 10:30 AM
- Sunday, November 3 - Harvest Dinner
- Sunday, November 3 - Joint Reformation Day Service, 6:00 PM
- Thursday, November 28 - Thanksgiving Day Worship, 10:00 AM
- Sunday, December 1 - First Sunday of Advent, Celebration of the Lord's Supper, 10:30 AM
- Saturday, December 7 - Lighted Christmas Parade
- Sunday, December 15 - Children's Christmas Program, 6:00 PM
- Sunday, December 22 - Candles and Carols Service, 6:00 PM
- Wednesday, December 25 - Christmas Day Service, 10:00 AM
- Sunday, December 29 - Old/New Year Service, Celebration of the Lord's Supper, 10:30 AM

## *Council Notes*

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- A 125th anniversary committee was formed.
- The multimedia committee was approved to replace the soundboard.

## *Tithes and Offering*

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### **TENTATIVE OFFERINGS**

- October 6 - Tuition Assistance
- October 13 - Aaron De Boer - The Table
- October 20 - Building the Future
- October 20 Communion -
- First CRC Adoption Fund
- October 27 - Memli & Luiza Mema

Tithes and offerings can be given the following ways:

- placed in the offering bag on Sunday
- mailed to the church office (1010 Front Street, Lynden, 98264)
- dropped off during the week
- electronically through a bill pay service or with Tithe.

## *Bible Resources*

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### **HIS WORD IN OUR HEARTS**

As we strive to commit scripture to memory, our monthly verse for October is Romans 8:28. Printed copies are available on the Welcome Center or from the church office.

### **BIBLE READING PLAN**

For 2024, we will be reading through the New Testament. You are encouraged to use the Bible reading personally or as a family, and feel free to share this plan with others! Copies available on the Welcome Center.

### **DAILY DEVOTIONS**

TODAY is a daily devotional produced through ReFrame Ministries. Copies, including large print, are available on the Welcome Center. See link below to read the devotions daily online.

TABLETALK magazine is daily devotional and Bible study resource. A few copies each month are available on the Welcome Center.

## *Volunteer Schedule*

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### **FLOWERS**

**October 6**  
Lori S  
**October 13**  
Bev H  
**October 20**  
Janis Z

### **BUS DRIVERS**

**October 6**  
Galen L  
**October 13**  
Hank R  
**October 20**  
Robert S  
**October 27**  
Bryan A

### **VIDEO**

**October 6**  
Brant H  
**October 13**  
Jeff K  
**October 20**  
Jordan H  
**October 27**  
Brandon K

### **GREETERS**

**October 6**  
Greg & Sara T  
Mark & Michelle T  
**October 13**  
Lee & Shelly VB  
Wes & Liz VP  
**October 20**  
Bill & Jodi VS  
Brian & Carly VW  
**October 27**  
Tim & Mindy VV  
John & Kathryn VW

### **USHERS**

**October 6**  
Dan R  
Robert S  
**October 13**  
Daryl TK  
Landon T  
**October 20**  
John VW  
Micah K  
**October 27**  
Fred Y  
Lane VW

### **SAFETY USHERS**

**October 6**  
Ryan B  
Nick S  
**October 13**  
Jacob A  
Gene T  
**October 20**  
Daren G  
Jacob T  
**October 27**  
Jason V  
Bryan A

### **BABY NURSERY**

**October 6**  
Bev H  
Alivia B  
**October 13**  
Swandel E  
Lincoln E  
**October 20**  
Mindy VV  
Piper B  
**October 27**  
Jill K  
Ella MK-K

### **TODDLER NURSERY**

**October 6**  
Jenna K  
Brooklyn B  
**October 13**  
Jessica M  
Lisa K  
**October 20**  
Lisa Q  
Mason Q  
**October 27**  
Debbie S  
Maya M

### **COFFEE SERVERS**

**October 6**  
Alan & Pat D  
**October 13**  
Tabin & Jenny B  
**October 20**  
Elvin & Anna Lee F  
**October 27**  
Neil & Debbie M

### **COOKIES**

**October 6**  
Yvonne B  
Karen B  
Jennie B  
Susan B  
**October 13**  
Jan B  
Jenny B  
Jennie B  
Sara B  
**October 20**  
Dora B  
Laura B  
Margaret DV  
Pat D  
**October 27**  
Fritzie E  
Swandel E  
Donelle F  
Anna Lee F