

First Christian Reformed Church
Lynden, Washington
November 3, 2024 ~ 10:30 AM Worship Service

Call to Worship: *Psalm 118:1, 28, 29*

Oh give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever!
You are my God, and I will give thanks to you; you are my God; I will extol you.
Oh give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever!

God's Greeting

Come Into His Presence

Come into His presence with thanksgiving in your heart and give Him praise, and give Him praise;
Come into His presence with thanksgiving in your heart, your voices raise, your voices raise.
Give glory and honor and power unto Him, Jesus, the name above all names. *Repeat All*

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Days of Elijah

These are the days of Elijah, declaring the Word of the Lord;
And these are the days of Your servant, Moses, righteousness being restored;
And though these are days of great trials, of famine and darkness and sword,
Still we are the voice in the desert crying "Prepare ye the way of the Lord."

Refrain: Behold He comes, riding on the clouds, shining like the sun at the trumpet call;
Lift your voice, it's the year of Jubilee, and out of Zion's hill salvation comes.

And these are the days of Ezekiel, the dry bones becoming as flesh;
And these are the days of Your servant, David, rebuilding a temple of praise;
And these are the days of the harvest, the fields are as white in the world;
And we are the laborers in Your vineyard, declaring the Word of the Lord. *Refrain*

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In Thanksgiving, Let Us Praise Him

From the first bright light of morning to the last warm glow of dusk;
Every breath we take is sacred, for it is God's gift to us.

Refrain: In thanksgiving, let us praise Him; in thanksgiving, let us sing
Songs of praise and adoration to our gracious Lord and King.

In the season of our plenty, in the season of our need;
We will find His grace sufficient, we will find His love complete. *Refrain*

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Call to Confession: *James 5:16*

Therefore, confess your sins to one another and pray for one another, that you may be healed.
The prayer of a righteous person has great power as it is working.

Prayer of Confession

Assurance: *Matthew 5:3-11*

Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.
Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.
Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.
Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy.
Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.
Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God.
Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

I Set My Hope on Jesus

When this life of trials tests my faith, I set my hope on Jesus.
When the questions come and doubts remain, I set my hope on Jesus.
For the deepest wounds that time won't heal, there's a joy that runs still deeper.
There's a truth that's more than all I feel. I set my hope on Jesus. *Refrain*

Refrain: I set my hope on Jesus, my rock, my only trust.
Who set His heart upon me first; I set my hope on Jesus.

Though I falter in this war with sin, I set my hope on Jesus.
When I fail the fight and sink within, I set my hope on Jesus.
Though the shame would drown me in its sea, and I dread the waves of justice.
I will cast my life on Calvary, I set my hope on Jesus. *Refrain*

Though the world call me to leave my Lord, I set my hope on Jesus.
Though it offer all its vain rewards, I set my hope on Jesus.
Though this heart of mine is prone to stray, give me grace enough to finish.
'Till I worship on that final day, I set my hope on you. *Refrain*

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Offertory Prayer

Offering: Christian School Tuition Assistance

Congregational Prayer

Open My Eyes ,That I May See

Open my ears, that I may hear voices of truth so sharp and clear;
And while the message sounds in my ear, everything else will disappear.
Silently now I wait for You, ready, my God, Your will to do;
Open my ears, illumine me, Spirit divine!

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Scripture: *Romans 8:28-30*

²⁸ *And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose. ²⁹ For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn among many brothers. ³⁰ And those whom he predestined he also called, and those whom he called he also justified, and those whom he justified he also glorified.*

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Message: *God's Work in Us*

To God Be the Glory

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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God's Blessing

All Hail, King Jesus

All hail, King Jesus! All hail, Emmanuel! King of kings, Lord of lords, Bright Morning Star.
And throughout eternity I'll sing His praises, and I'll reign with Him throughout eternity.

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Pastors: Zac H, Robert W
Prayer: Kyle E
Music: Paul A, Brian K, Cheryl K, Mike S, Nancy Z

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Nursery is available with a paging system for children under 3 years during worship service in the Education Building.

Children's Church is available for children 3 years – 3rd grade. Children are dismissed to the Education Building during the service.

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