

First Christian Reformed Church  
Lynden, Washington  
November 17, 2024 ~ 10:30 AM Worship Service

**Call to Worship:** *Psalm 84:1-4*

*How lovely is your dwelling place, O Lord of hosts!  
My soul longs, yes, faints for the courts of the Lord;  
my heart and flesh sing for joy to the living God.  
Even the sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may lay her young,  
at your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.  
**Blessed are those who dwell in your house, ever singing your praise!***

**God's Greeting**

***Praise the Lord! Ye Heavens Adore Him***

Praise the Lord! Ye heavens, adore Him; praise Him, angels, in the height;  
Sun and moon, rejoice before Him; praise Him, all ye stars of light.  
Praise the Lord! for He hath spoken; worlds His mighty voice obeyed;  
Laws which never shall be broken for their guidance hath He made.

Praise the Lord! For He is glorious; never shall His promise fail;  
God hath made His saints victorious; sin and death shall not prevail;  
Praise the God of our salvation! Hosts on high, His power proclaim;  
Heaven and earth, and all creation, laud and magnify His name.

("Praise the Lord! Ye Heavens Adore Him", words st. 1&2 anonymous, st. 3 Edward Osler, music Franz Joseph Haydn, CCLI #358926 Streaming License #20317932)

***For the Beauty of the Earth***

For the beauty of the earth, for the glory of the skies,  
For the love which from our birth over and around us lies;  
Lord of all, to Thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.

For Thy Church that evermore lifteth holy hands above,  
Offering up on every shore her pure sacrifice of love:  
Lord of all, to Thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.

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***We Will Glorify***

We will glorify the King of kings. We will glorify the Lamb.  
We will glorify the Lord of lords, who is the great I AM.

Lord Jehovah reigns in majesty. We will bow before His throne.  
We will worship Him in righteousness. We will worship Him alone.

He is Lord of heaven, Lord of earth, He is Lord of all who live.  
He is Lord above the universe; all praise to Him we give.

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**Call to Confession:** *based on Romans 5:8; Hebrews 4:16, NRSV*

The proof of God's amazing love is this: While we were sinners, Christ died for us.  
Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness,  
so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.  
Trusting in God's faithfulness and compassion, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

**Prayer of Confession**

**Assurance:** *Psalm 91:1-4*

*He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High will abide in the shadow of the Almighty.  
I will say to the Lord, "My refuge and my fortress, my God, in whom I trust."  
For he will deliver you from the snare of the fowler and from the deadly pestilence.  
**He will cover you with his pinions, and under his wings you will find refuge;  
his faithfulness is a shield and buckler.***

## ***Come Unto Jesus***

Come unto Jesus all you who are weary. Come to the mercy seat, fervently kneel.  
Here, bring your wounded heart, broken and needy. Come unto Jesus, mighty to heal.

Joy of the comfortless, light for the straying, hope of the penitent, peace in our strife.  
Here speaks the Comforter, tenderly saying my yoke is easy, My burden is light.

*Refrain:* Come unto Jesus. Come unto Jesus.  
Lay down your burdens, He is enough.  
Come unto Jesus, rest in His love.

Come, now and follow Him, this life forsaking. All that was gained, count as nothing but loss.  
Trade all this world for His kingdom unfading. Come unto Jesus, and take up your cross. *Refrain*

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## **Offertory Prayer and Offering: Building the Future**

### **Congregational Prayer**

#### **Scripture: Romans 8:31-34**

<sup>31</sup> What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? <sup>32</sup> He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things? <sup>33</sup> Who shall bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. <sup>34</sup> Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died—more than that, who was raised—who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us.

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

#### **Message: If God is For Us**

#### ***He Hideth My Soul***

A wonderful Savior is Jesus my Lord, a wonderful Savior to me;  
He hideth my soul in the cleft of the rock, where rivers of pleasure I see.

*Refrain:* He hideth my soul in the cleft of the rock, that shadows a dry, thirsty land;  
He hideth my life in the depths of His love, and covers me there with His hand,  
And covers me there with His hand.

A wonderful Savior is Jesus my Lord. He taketh my burden away.  
He holdeth me up and I shall not be moved. He giveth me strength for each day. *Refrain*

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## **God's Blessing**

### ***We Receive Your Blessing***

We receive Your blessing, we receive Your grace, as we walk in the light shining from Your face.  
May the peace that You give change the way that we live. We receive Your blessing as we leave this place.

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.  
Praise Him, all creatures here below.  
Praise Him, above You heavenly hosts.  
Praise Father, Son and praise the Holy Ghost.

We receive Your blessing as we leave this place.

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Prayer: Tabin B  
Music: Alicia H, Maya M, Nancy Z

Offering will be received for Building the Future, a fund in place for future building projects of our church.

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

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

Worship services are also broadcast live in the church basement and streamed online for anyone unable to worship in the sanctuary.

An assistive listening system is available in the sanctuary; to use this system, switch hearing aids to "T".