

First Christian Reformed Church  
Lynden, Washington  
November 24, 2024 ~ 10:30 AM Worship Service

**Call to Worship:** *Psalm 150:1-2, 6*

*Hallelujah! Praise God in the temple, in the highest heavens!*

*Praise God's mighty deeds and noble majesty.*

*All that is alive, praise!*

*Praise the Lord. Hallelujah!*

**God's Greeting**

***God of Our Fathers***

God of our fathers, whose almighty hand  
Leads forth in beauty all the starry band  
Of shining worlds in splendor through the skies,  
Our grateful songs before Thy throne arise.

Thy love divine hath led us in the past,  
In this free land by Thee our lot is cast;  
Be Thou our ruler, guardian, guide, and stay,  
Thy word our law, Thy paths our chosen way.

Refresh Thy people on their toilsome way,  
Lead us from night to never-ending day;  
Fill all our lives with love and grace divine,  
And glory, laud, and praise be ever Thine.

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***Let All Things Now Living***

Let all things now living a song of thanksgiving  
To God the Creator triumphantly raise,  
Who fashioned and made us, protected and stayed us,  
Who guides us and leads to the end of our days.  
His banners are o'er us, his light goes before us,  
A pillar of fire shining forth in the night,  
Till shadows have vanished and darkness is banished,  
As forward we travel from light into light.

His law he enforces; the stars in their courses  
The sun in His orbit, obediently shine;  
The hills and the mountains, the rivers and fountains,  
The deeps of the ocean proclaim him divine.  
We too should be voicing our love and rejoicing;  
With glad adoration a song let us raise,  
Till all things now living unite in thanksgiving:  
To God in the highest, hosanna and praise!

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**Call to Confession:** *Isaiah 30:15, 18 (NIV)*

*In repentance and rest is your salvation,  
in quietness and trust is your strength,  
but you would have none of it.*

*Yet the LORD longs to be gracious to you;  
he rises up to show you compassion.*

*For the LORD is a God of justice.*

*Blessed are all who wait for him!*

**Prayer of Confession and Preparation**

**Assurance:** *Psalm 30:11-12*

*You have turned for me my mourning into dancing;  
you have loosed my sackcloth and clothed me with gladness,  
that my glory may sing your praise and not be silent.  
O Lord my God, I will give thanks to you forever!*

**Praise Him, Praise Him All Ye Little Children**

Praise Him, praise Him, all ye little children, God is love, God is love;  
Praise Him, praise Him, all ye little children, God is love, God is love.

Love Him, love Him, all ye little children, God is love, God is love;  
Love Him, love Him, all ye little children, God is love, God is love.

Thank Him, thank Him, all ye little children, God is love, God is love;  
Thank Him, thank Him, all ye little children, God is love, God is love.

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**Offertory Prayer**

**Offering:** World Renew – Hurricanes Helene and Milton Relief

**Congregational Prayer**

\* ***Give Thanks with a Grateful Heart***

Give thanks with a grateful heart; give thanks to the Holy One;  
Give thanks because He’s given Jesus Christ, His Son.  
Give thanks with a grateful heart; give thanks to the Holy One;  
Give thanks because He’s given Jesus Christ, His Son.  
And now let the weak say, “I am strong;”  
Let the poor say, “I am rich,”  
Because of what the Lord has done for us.  
And now let the weak say, “I am strong;”  
Let the poor say, “I am rich,”  
Because of what the Lord has done for us. Give thanks.

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**Scripture:** *Ruth 2:1-16*

<sup>1</sup> Now Naomi had a relative of her husband's, a worthy man of the clan of Elimelech, whose name was Boaz. <sup>2</sup> And Ruth the Moabite said to Naomi, “Let me go to the field and glean among the ears of grain after him in whose sight I shall find favor.” And she said to her, “Go, my daughter.” <sup>3</sup> So she set out and went and gleaned in the field after the reapers, and she happened to come to the part of the field belonging to Boaz, who was of the clan of Elimelech. <sup>4</sup> And behold, Boaz came from Bethlehem. And he said to the reapers, “The Lord be with you!” And they answered, “The Lord bless you.” <sup>5</sup> Then Boaz said to his young man who was in charge of the reapers, “Whose young woman is this?” <sup>6</sup> And the servant who was in charge of the reapers answered, “She is the young Moabite woman, who came back with Naomi from the country of Moab. <sup>7</sup> She said, ‘Please let me glean and gather among the sheaves after the reapers.’ So she came, and she has continued from early morning until now, except for a short rest.” <sup>8</sup> Then Boaz said to Ruth, “Now, listen, my daughter, do not go to glean in another field or leave this one, but keep close to my young women. <sup>9</sup> Let your eyes be on the field that they are reaping, and go after them. Have I not charged the young men not to touch you? And when you are thirsty, go to the vessels and drink what the young men have drawn.” <sup>10</sup> Then she fell on her face, bowing to the ground, and said to him, “Why have I found favor in your eyes, that you should take notice of me, since I am a foreigner?” <sup>11</sup> But Boaz answered her, “All that you have done for your mother-in-law since the death of your husband has been fully told to me, and how you left your father and mother and your native land and came to a people that you did not know before. <sup>12</sup> The Lord repay you for what you have done, and a full reward be given you by the Lord, the God of Israel, under whose wings you have come to take refuge!” <sup>13</sup> Then she said, “I have found favor in your eyes, my lord, for you have comforted me and spoken kindly to your servant, though I am not one of your servants.” <sup>14</sup> And at mealtime Boaz said to her, “Come here and eat some bread and dip your morsel in the wine.” So she sat beside the reapers, and he passed to her roasted grain. And she ate until she was satisfied, and she had some left over. <sup>15</sup> When she rose to glean, Boaz instructed his young men, saying, “Let her glean even among the sheaves, and do not reproach her. <sup>16</sup> And also pull out some from the bundles for her and leave it for her to glean, and do not rebuke her.”

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

**Message:** *Covenantal Kindness: Ruth's Redemption and Our Hope in Christ*

***Blessed Be Your Name***

Blessed be your name in the land that is plentiful,  
Where your streams of abundance flow; blessed be your name.  
Blessed be your name when I'm found in the desert place.  
Though I walk through the wilderness, blessed be your name.

*Refrain:* Every blessing you pour out, I'll turn back to praise.  
When the darkness closes in, Lord, still I will say,  
"Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be your name.  
Blessed be the name of the Lord,  
Blessed be your glorious name."

Blessed be your name when the sun's shining down on me,  
When the world's "all as it should be." Blessed be your name.  
Blessed be your name on the road marked with suffering;  
Though there's pain in the offering, blessed be your name. *Refrain*

You give and take away, You give and take away.  
My heart will choose to say, "Lord, blessed be your name."  
Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be your name.  
Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be your glorious name."

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**God's Blessing**

***Let Us Go***

Strengthen our feet; don't let them stumble.  
Grant us all the wisdom of your grace.  
Fill our hearts with love and make them humble.  
Teach us, Father, how to run this holy race.

*Refrain:* Let us go in the love of the Father,  
Let us go in the glory of the Son.  
Let us go in the Spirit's mighty power.  
For your kingdom let us go.  
So that others unto you may come.

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Music: Ken Q, Brad H, Valerie A, Brian K, Cheryl K

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