

First Christian Reformed Church  
Lynden, Washington  
February 2, 2025 ~ 6:00 PM Worship Service

**Call to Worship:** *From Psalm 71*

*In you, O Lord, do I take refuge; let me never be put to shame!  
Be to me a rock of refuge, to which I may continually come;  
you have given the command to save me, for you are my rock and my fortress.  
For you, O Lord, are my hope, my trust, O Lord, from my youth.  
Upon you I have leaned from before my birth; you are he who took me from my mother's womb.  
My praise is continually of you.*

**Opening Prayer**

***Amid the Thronging Worshipers***

Amid the thronging worshipers the Lord, our God, I bless;  
Before His people gathered here His name will I confess.  
Come, praise him, all who fear the Lord, the children of His grace;  
With reverence sound His glories forth and bow before His face.

The burden of the sorrowful the Lord will not despise;  
He has not turned from those who mourn, He listens to their cries.  
His goodness makes me join the throng where saints His praise proclaim,  
And there will I fulfill my vows with those who fear His name.

He feeds with good the humble soul and satisfies the meek,  
And they shall live and praise the Lord who for His mercy seek.  
The ends of all the earth will hear, the nations seek the Lord;  
They worship Him, the King of kings, in earth and heaven adored.

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***Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise***

Immortal, invisible, God only wise, in light inaccessible hid from our eyes,  
Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days. Almighty, victorious, Your great name we praise.

Life-giving Creator of both great and small, of all life the maker, the true life of all;  
We blossom, then wither like leaves on the tree, but you are forever, who was and will be.

We worship before you, great Father of light, while angels adore you, all veiling their sight;  
Our praises we render, O Father, to you whom only the splendor of light hides from view.

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***'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus***

'Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus, just to take Him at His word,  
Just to rest upon His promise, just to know, "Thus saith the Lord."

*Refrain:* Jesus, Jesus how I trust Him! How I've proved Him o'er and o'er!  
Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus! O for grace to trust Him more!

I'm so glad I learned to trust Him, Precious Jesus, Savior, Friend;  
And I know that He is with me, He'll be with me to the end. *Refrain*

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**Profession of Faith:** *Job 19:25-27*

*For I know that my Redeemer lives, and at the last he will stand upon the earth.  
And after my skin has been thus destroyed, yet in my flesh I shall see God,  
whom I shall see for myself, and my eyes shall behold, and not another.  
My heart faints within me!*

**Offering:** Christian School Tuition Assistance

**Evening Prayer**

## ***Lord, My Petition Heed***

Lord, my petition heed, now help me in my need, or else I die.  
I am Your servant, Lord; my trust is in Your word.  
Mercy to me accord; to You I cry.

Lead me to do your will, in me your truth instill, teach me your word.  
I will give thanks to you, your praise I will pursue;  
All glory be to you, O Lord my God!

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## **Scripture: Job 1:1; 2:3-6, 9-10; 13:15**

<sup>1</sup> *There was a man in the land of Uz, whose name was Job, and that man was blameless and upright, one who feared God and turned away from evil.*

<sup>2:3</sup> *And the Lord said to Satan, "Have you considered my servant Job, that there is none like him on the earth, a blameless and upright man, who fears God and turns away from evil? He still holds fast his integrity, although you incited me against him to destroy him without reason." <sup>4</sup> Then Satan answered the Lord and said, "Skin for skin! All that a man has he will give for his life. <sup>5</sup> But stretch out your hand and touch his bone and his flesh, and he will curse you to your face." <sup>6</sup> And the Lord said to Satan, "Behold, he is in your hand; only spare his life."*

<sup>2:9</sup> *Then his wife said to him, "Do you still hold fast your integrity? Curse God and die." <sup>10</sup> But he said to her, "You speak as one of the foolish women would speak. Shall we receive good from God, and shall we not receive evil?" In all this Job did not sin with his lips.*

<sup>13:15</sup> *Though he slay me, I will hope in him;  
yet I will argue my ways to his face.*

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

## **Message: Job - A Walk Through the Bible**

### ***Abide With Me***

Abide with me; fast falls the eventide.  
The darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide.  
When other helpers fail and comforts flee,  
Help of the helpless, O abide with me.

I need Thy presence every passing hour.  
What but Thy grace can foil the tempter's power?  
Who, like Thyself, my Guide and Stay can be?  
Thro' cloud and sunshine, O abide with me.

I fear no foe, with Thee at hand to bless;  
Ills have no weight, and tears no bitterness.  
Where is death's sting? Where, grave, thy victory?  
I triumph still if Thou abide with me.

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## **God's Blessing**

### ***Abide With Me***

Hold now Your Word before my closing eyes;  
Shine through the gloom and point me to the skies.  
Heaven's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows flee!  
In life, in death, O Lord, abide with me!

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