

First Christian Reformed Church
Lynden, Washington
February 16, 2025 ~ 6:00 PM Worship Service

Call to Worship:

In your wisdom, O God, you call us here to worship you.

We gather, alive to the Word of God.

*You call us to be fully alive with your life abundant,
ready to listen and respond with heart, soul, strength, and mind.*

We listen, alive to the Word of God.

*You call us to be always watchful for your Word of wisdom,
sometimes startling and unexpected, sometimes still and quiet, but always dwelling among us.*

We watch and wait for the Word of God.

Opening Prayer

Congregational Favorites

Profession of Faith: Psalm 86:1-7

***Incline your ear, O Lord, and answer me,
for I am poor and needy.***

***Preserve my life, for I am godly;
save your servant, who trusts in you—you are my God.***

***Be gracious to me, O Lord,
for to you do I cry all the day.***

***Gladden the soul of your servant,
for to you, O Lord, do I lift up my soul.***

***For you, O Lord, are good and forgiving,
abounding in steadfast love to all who call upon you.***

***Give ear, O Lord, to my prayer;
listen to my plea for grace.***

***In the day of my trouble I call upon you,
for you answer me.***

Offering: First CRC Cadets

Evening Prayer

Open My Eyes, That I May See

Open my eyes, that I may see glimpses of truth You have for me;
Place in my hands the wonderful key that shall unlock and set me free.
Silently now I wait for You, ready, my God, Your will to do;
Open my eyes, illumine me, Spirit divine!

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!

Open my mouth, let me declare words of assurance everywhere;
Open my heart, and let me prepare Your loving kindnesses to share.
Silently now I wait for You, ready, my God, Your will to do;
Open my heart, illumine me, Spirit divine!

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Scripture: Psalm 1:1-2

¹ *Blessed is the man who walks not in the counsel of the wicked,
nor stands in the way of sinners, nor sits in the seat of scoffers;
² but his delight is in the law of the Lord,
and on his law he meditates day and night.*

Psalm 16:11

¹¹ *You make known to me the path of life;
in your presence there is fullness of joy;
at your right hand are pleasures forevermore.*

Psalm 19:1-2

¹ *The heavens declare the glory of God,
and the sky above proclaims his handiwork.
² Day to day pours out speech,
and night to night reveals knowledge.*

Psalm 27:1

¹ *The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?
The Lord is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?*

Psalm 29:1

¹ *Ascribe to the Lord, O heavenly beings,
ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.*

Psalm 95:1-3

¹ *Oh come, let us sing to the Lord;
let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!
² Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving;
let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!
³ For the Lord is a great God, and a great King above all gods.*

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Message: A Walk Through the Bible – Psalms II

Be Thou My Vision

Be Thou my Vision, O Lord of my heart;
Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art,
Thou my best thought, by day or by night,
Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.

Be Thou my Wisdom and Thou my true Word;
I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord;
Thou my great Father, I Thy true son,
Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.

God's Blessing

Be Thou My Vision

High King of heaven, my victory won,
May I reach heaven's joys, bright heaven's Sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
Still be my Vision, O Ruler of all.

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Pastor: Zac H, Robert W Music: Nancy Z Song Leader: Brian S

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

On the bulletin, bold font is a response by the congregation. You are invited to join if you feel comfortable.