

First Christian Reformed Church

Lynden, Washington

Announcements for March 23, 2025

WORSHIP SERVICES

March 23 - 10:30 AM - Mission Celebration Sunday and Third Sunday in Lent

Preaching - Phil S

II Corinthians 5:18-6:13 "The Ambassadors' Song"

March 23 - 6:00 PM – Mission Celebration Sunday

Preaching - Bill R

Isaiah 6:1-9 "Here I Am Lord Send Me!"

March 30 - 10:30 AM - Fourth Sunday in Lent

Preaching - Robert W

Romans 10:5-13 "You Will Be Saved"

March 30 - 6:00 PM

Preaching - Robert W

Deuteronomy 18:15-22; Jeremiah 7:25 "My Servants the Prophets"

- **Nursery** is available for children up to 3 years during the morning service in the Education Building.
- **Children's Church** is available for children 3 years – 3rd grade during the morning service.
- **After the Service**, join us for a time of fellowship in the basement.
- **Join us online**, services can be streamed at www.firstcrclynden.org.

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERING SCHEDULE

- **March 23** - Ken & Chris, Wycliffe
Dear Brothers and Sisters at First CRC,
Our hearts and prayers are with you this weekend as you Celebrate all that God is doing. We are so thankful for the partnership we have with you as we continue in ministry with Wycliffe. And we're so thankful that God is using all of us to bring His word to the peoples who still have not heard the story of love and grace. Celebrate with us that all around the world Bible translation is starting in languages for the very first time at an unprecedented rate. You are a part of seeing Bible translation begin for every language still waiting! ~ Serving with you, Ken and Chris
- **March 30** - Helping Hands

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Any tithes or offering can be given the following ways:

- Placed in the offering bag on Sunday
- Mailed to the church office (1010 Front Street, Lynden, WA 98264)
- Dropped off at church during the week (at the church office)
- Electronically through a bill pay service or online through Tithe.ly

You can give to the operating fund of the church at any time; there is no scheduled offering time for this fund. *Please use either the blue or green envelopes or write "Operating Fund" on the check memo line.* Note - green envelopes are just older envelopes the deacons are using up - they will be counted as part of the Operating Fund, even though they are labeled as Ministry Shares.

PRAYER AND PRAISE ITEMS

THANK YOU

- Our many thanks to all of you who have blessed us with your prayers, cards, sympathy and many ways of helping us. We appreciate all you have done for us and thank God for you. ~ Lena Marie and family
- Thanks to all the wonderful people that donated and supported our youth auction!! Our community and businesses were so generous! A special thanks to the Roosmas, Lairds and Molly for their tireless effort in making a marvelous and productive evening. We couldn't have done it without all the support and we are beyond grateful!! ~ First CRC Youth Ministries

PRAYER & PRAISE ITEMS

- **Jeff K** had successful knee surgery and is recovering at home.
- **Gene V** has returned home.
- **Willie A** has moved to room 307a at the Christian Health Care Center.
- **Elsie D** had successful eye surgery and is recovering at home.
- **Al M**, mission partner in Belgium, continues to battle leukemia, infections and general weakness and is on palliative care.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MISSIONS CELEBRATION WEEKEND - MARCH 22 & 23

Saturday, March 22

- Join us at Faith Community Church for a delicious dinner, a time to meet with our mission partners, and hear from Dan, Communications Director of the Luke Society and Joe, Director of Northwest Hispanic Ministries. Dinner is served at 5:30 PM, but doors open at 5:00 PM. *Be sure to come early and visit with our ministry partners at their tables!*

Sunday, March 23

- Education Hours - Tim, Area Director of Youth Dynamics, will be presenting to the adults and 7th-12th grades. *Please consider coming, even if you are not a regular attender of the Education Hour. This will be a great time to hear more about this ministry.*
- Morning Service – We will have the Presentation of Flags, Phil, with International Christian Response, will bring us the message, and Melissa, will share with the Children's Church.
- Fellowship Time - Following the morning worship service, be sure to make your way to the church basement for refreshments and a time of fellowship with our ministry partners. *The time you take to look at their tables and talk to them is a blessing to our ministry partners.*
- Evening Service - Bill, Director of Light of the World Prayer Center, will be bringing us the message.

BABY BOTTLES FOR WCPC

If you would like a baby bottle to collect donations for the Whatcom County Pregnancy Clinic, extras are available on the Welcome Center. Bottles can be returned anytime up to March 23.

NEW CHURCH PHOTO DIRECTORY FOR OUR 125TH ANNIVERSARY

Starting in April we will be gathering updated information and photos for a new directory. On April 6 and 13 there will be a table in the back of church to check your information and to make any additions or corrections. If you have any questions please talk to Kara Humphreys.

STUDENT FUNDRAISE FOR YOUTH DYNAMICS

Clean out your closets and help change the life of a local youth. Youth Dynamics will once again be collecting clothes and other soft goods as a student fundraiser, starting March 30. Please see the box in the entry for details. Donations can be put in the labeled box next to the church office or contact Tim N for larger donations. *All donations must be dropped to the box by May 1!*

UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS

EDUCATION HOUR

Education Classes meet on Sundays at 9:30 AM. Join at any time!

- Adults: Led by Glenn G in the Church Basement
- Infants – Kindergarten: Childcare available in the Education Building
- 1st grade - 3rd grade: Led by Stephanie R in the Education Building
- 4th grade – 5th grade: Led by Andrew R the Education Building
- 6th grade – 8th grade: Led by Glen B in the Education Building
- 9th grade – 12th grade: Led by Mike S in the Loft

FORGED@1ST (7th-8th GRADE MINISTRY)

All Junior High students are invited to join us Monday, March 24 at 7:00 PM in the Loft – friends and visitors are welcome! For more information, contact Jeff & Renee L.

MEN'S PRAYER GROUP

Join us for prayer on Wednesday mornings at 7:00 AM at Pat's Place. For more information, contact Patrick.

TRIBE (9th-12th GRADE YOUTH MINISTRY)

Join us on Wednesday, March 26 at 7:30 PM in the Loft. Contact Cal B for information.

CADET SNOW DAY –MARCH 29

The Cadets Snow Day will be Saturday, March 29. We will leave church at 8:30 AM to arrive at 10:00 AM to sled. We will return by 3:00 PM. Please bring warm clothes and a change of dry clothes (dress for the weather). Bring a lunch and you can also bring snow equipment; please have all your stuff in a bag. For more information or questions contact Brian S.

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

All young and middle-aged men are invited to join us for coffee, donuts and Bible study on Saturday, April 5 at 7:00 AM at Pat's Place. For more information, contact Patrick J.

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8:30 AM – 12:30 PM