

First Christian Reformed Church
Lynden, Washington

Announcements for April 6, 2025

WORSHIP SERVICES

April 6 - 10:30 AM

Fifth Sunday in Lent
Sacrament of Infant Baptism
Preaching - Robert W
Romans 10:13-21 "Faith Comes From Hearing"

April 6 - 6:00 PM

Preaching - Zac H
Psalm 35:1-4, 9-14, 20-28
"When Justice Seems Delayed"

April 13 - 10:30 AM – Palm Sunday

Children's Church Sharing
Preaching - Robert W
Romans 11:1-10 "I Have Kept for Myself a Remnant"

April 13 - 6:00 PM

Nine Lessons and Hymns for Holy Week

- **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.firsterclynden.org.

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERING SCHEDULE

- **April 6** – Christian School Tuition Assistance
- **April 13** – Light House Mission
- **April 20** – Mission and Outreach
- **April 27** - Building the Future

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)

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

WELCOME

- This Sunday morning we welcome Linda Grace, daughter of Luke & Leah, to our church family through the Sacrament of Infant Baptism.

THANK YOU

- First CRC Family, Just wanted to say a HUGE thank you for all the birthday wishes! I was truly touched by your kind words, prayers, cards, and even a balloon for my office. It meant the world to me to feel so loved and supported by this amazing community. I'm so grateful to be a part of this church family. You all make coming to church each week such a joy! Thanks again for making my birthday so special. With love and blessings, Pastor Zac
- We want to thank you all who remembered us during Gene's stay in the hospital and then in rehab. Also to Pastor Robert & Phama, Wes V, and Galen L for their visits. Most of all to our heavenly Father who gave the healing and strength that was needed. ~ Gene & Lillian
- Thank you to the Missions Ministry Team and all the volunteers that helped make the Missions Celebration such a wonderful weekend.

PRAYER & PRAISE ITEMS

- **Dirk**, son of Jacob & Valerie, was shot in the arm in the line of duty as a police officer in Sioux Falls, South Dakota. He had surgery on Wednesday and was able return home on Friday.
- **Al M**, mission partner in Belgium, continues to battle leukemia, infections and general weakness and is on palliative care.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

EASTER FLOWER FUNDRAISER

Support Forged@First (7th & 8th grade youth) by purchasing Easter flowers in memory of a loved one or just for yourself. Easter Lilies (\$15) and Gerber Daisies (\$10) (assorted colors) are available to purchase! Flowers will be available for pick up on Easter Sunday, April 20, following the morning worship service or during office hours the following week. Order forms are available in your church mailbox, on the Welcome Center, or you can order through any Forged@First student. You also can scan the QR code to purchase.



EASTER SEASON AT FIRST CRC

Join us for this Easter season and invite your family, friends and neighbors as we celebrate!

Palm Sunday, April 13

- During the morning worship service, the Children's Church will be presenting special Palm Sunday praise and worship.
- During the evening service, join us for "Nine Lessons and Hymns for Holy Week", a special service of scripture and hymns in preparation for Holy Week.

Good Friday, April 18

- Join us at 7:00 PM (please note the later start time) as we gather to remember the sacrifice Christ made for us on that first Good Friday. We will be celebrating the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper and a guest appearance by Judas Iscariot.

Easter Sunday, April 20

- Come and celebrate the joy of the resurrection at 10:30 AM as we gather to celebrate his joyful victory over death. Please note, there will be no Children's Church on Easter Sunday.
- Join us again as we gather together with other area Christian Reformed churches for our Easter Afterglow Service on Sunday at 6:00 PM at Sumas CRC.

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

All children, 3 years through 3rd grade, in Children's Church, please come to the Education Building BEFORE the start of the morning worship service on Sunday, April 13 instead of sitting in church. We will be singing for the Palm Sunday worship service.

DISCOVERY CLASS COMING SOON

Are you interested in learning more about becoming a member of our church, making profession of faith, or just finding out more about First CRC? Discovery class covers who we are, how we got here, what we believe and what we do. If you are interested, contact Pastor Robert or the church office at 360-354-4560.

BABY BOTTLES FOR WCPC

Filled baby bottles for the Whatcom County Pregnancy Clinic can be returned for next 2 weeks at the office.

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 H.

FUNDRIVE 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. Donations can be put in the labeled box next to the church office or contact Tim (tnieuwsma@yd.org) for larger donations. ***All donations must be dropped to the box by May 1!***

UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS

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.

EDUCATION HOUR

Education Classes are done for the season. New classes will be starting in the fall, watch for information.

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

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

MISSIONS PRAYER GROUP

All those interested in learning more about the people group we have committed to praying for and praying for them, join us on Tuesday, April 8 at 10:00 AM in the Prayer Room.

ELDERS

The elders will meet on Tuesday, April 8 at 7:00 PM in the Council Room.

MEN'S PRAYER GROUP

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

TRIBE (9th-12th GRADE YOUTH MINISTRY)

Join us on Wednesday, April 9 at 7:30 PM in the Loft. Contact Cal B for information.

GLOW (2nd-6th GRADE GIRLS MINISTRY) MOTHER'S TEA

Our Mother & Daughter Tea Party is on Wednesday, April 16 at 6:30 PM in the Loft. Join us for a fun filled evening of tea, snacks and crafts. For more info., contact Kim A.

SENIOR DINNER

Anyone 70+ is invited to our Senior Dinner on Friday, April 25. Social hour is at 5:00 PM with dinner at 5:30 PM. Keep this date open. More information to come.

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8:30 AM – 12:30 PM