

First Christian Reformed Church
Lynden, Washington
May 4, 2025 ~ 10:30 a.m. Worship Service

Call to Worship

The eternal Father,
who loved us and set us free from our sins,
who loves us still with that love that will not let us go,
and who will love us forever,
calls us to worship him today as the only true lover of our souls.
The Lord stoops to receive the love of our poor hearts.
He calls us to remember the depth of his love for us in Christ. God seeks our love!

God's Greeting

What a Mighty God We Serve

What a mighty God we serve, what a mighty God we serve;
Angels bow before Him, heaven and earth adore Him,
What a mighty God we serve. *Repeat*

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Hear the Call of the Kingdom

Hear the call of the Kingdom, lift your eyes to the King.
Let His song rise within you as a fragrant offering
Of how God, rich in mercy, came in Christ to redeem
All who trust in His unfailing grace.

Refrain: King of heaven, we will answer the call;
We will follow, bringing hope to the world,
Filled with passion, filled with power to proclaim
Salvation in Jesus' name.

Hear the call of the Kingdom to be children of light,
With the mercy of heaven, the humility of Christ;
Walking justly before Him, loving all that is right;
That the light of Christ may shine through us. *Refrain*

Hear the call of the Kingdom to reach out to the lost;
With the Father's compassion, in the wonder of the cross.
Bringing peace and forgiveness and a hope yet to come,
Let the nations put their trust in Him. *Refrain*

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I Am Not My Own

The one who made the heavens made my heart and soul
Before I drew a breath I was loved and known
I am His creation the Maker's masterpiece
And all that He designs will be done in me

My body is a temple of the Living God
I'll worship in this house that His blood has bought
As I bear His image O may I not profane
The holiness I hold in this earthly frame

Refrain: I belong to the Lord O I am not my own
I belong to the Lord I am not my own
I will honor Him for this I know
I belong to the Lord I am not my own

And if He has redeemed me I am not my own
The measure of my worth is His love alone
He declares my standing and He declares my state
So I will know myself by the name He gave. *Refrain*

I am not my own and now my heart is free
O Maker come and make what You will of me
There is nothing broken that You can not repair
So Lord I leave my life in Your loving care. *Refrain*

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Call to Confession: *based on Matthew 22:37-40 (NRSV)*

Our Lord Jesus said:

***“You shall love the Lord your God
with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.’***

This is the greatest and first commandment.

And a second is like it:

‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’

On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.”

As God has instructed us in these great commandments, and because we have not lived in full obedience, let us now confess our sins to God, trusting Christ as our Savior and Lord.

Prayer of Confession

Assurance

The God who challenges us is also the God who encourages us.

The God who confronts us is also the God who accepts us.

Be assured that God is with us even now,
accepting, guiding, and forgiving.

Thanks be to God.

Every Promise of Your Word

From the breaking of the dawn to the setting of the sun,
I will stand on ev'ry promise of Your Word.
Words of power, strong to save, that will never pass away,
I will stand on ev'ry promise of Your Word.
For Your covenant is sure, and on this I am secure—
I can stand on ev'ry promise of Your Word.

When I'm faced with anguished choice, I will listen for Your voice,
And I'll stand on ev'ry promise of Your Word.
Through this dark and troubled land,
You will guide me with Your hand
As I stand on ev'ry promise of Your Word.
And You've promised to complete ev'ry work begun in me—
So I'll stand on ev'ry promise of Your Word.

Hope that lifts me from despair, love that casts out ev'ry fear,
As I stand on ev'ry promise of Your Word.
Not forsaken, not alone, for the Comforter has come,
And I stand on ev'ry promise of Your Word.
Grace sufficient, grace for me, grace for all who will believe—
We will stand on ev'ry promise of Your Word.

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GLOW Year In Review

Offertory Prayer

Offering: GLOW Girls Ministry

Offertory Ministry of Music: *This Is Our God*

Congregational Prayer

Scripture: *Luke 6:43-45*

⁴³ “For no good tree bears bad fruit, nor again does a bad tree bear good fruit, ⁴⁴ for each tree is known by its own fruit. For figs are not gathered from thornbushes, nor are grapes picked from a bramble bush. ⁴⁵ The good person out of the good treasure of his heart produces good, and the evil person out of his evil treasure produces evil, for out of the abundance of the heart his mouth speaks.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Message: *What’s Down in the Well, Comes Up in the Bucket*

May the Mind of Christ My Savior

May the mind of Christ, my Savior, live in me from day to day,
By His love and power controlling all I do and say.

May the Word of God dwell richly in my heart from hour to hour,
So that all may see I triumph only through His power.

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God’s Blessing

May the Mind of Christ My Savior

May the peace of God my Father rule my life in everything,
That I may be calm to comfort sick and sorrowing.

May His beauty rest upon me as I seek the lost to win,
And may they forget the channel, seeing only Him.

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Music: Nancy Z, Maya M, Everleigh K, Avery R, Kaylee B, Reese S, January DW, Karmyn H, Mike S

Offering will be received for First CRC GLOW girls ministry for girls in 2nd-6th grade, led by Kim A and other women from First CRC.

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