

First Christian Reformed Church
Lynden, Washington
June 22, 2025 ~ 10:30 a.m. Worship Service

Call to Worship: *Psalm 48:1,9,10,14*

*Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised in the city of our God!
We have thought on your steadfast love, O God, in the midst of your temple.
As your name, O God, so your praise reaches to the ends of the earth.
Your right hand is filled with righteousness.
This is God, our God forever and ever. He will guide us forever.*

God's Greeting

Great is the Lord Our God

Great is the Lord our God, and greatly to be praised.
Upon a hill God's city stands in glorious beauty raised,
His holy mountain high, the city of our King,
The joy of all the earth below. In praise of God we sing.

God makes his city strong by living in her halls.
When kings join forces and advance, they marvel at her walls.
God scatters those around whose pride makes them so sure.
As we have heard, so have we seen: God's city is secure.

Within your temple, Lord, in your most holy place,
We on your loving-kindness dwell, the wonders of your grace.
Your people sing your praise where'er your name is known.
By every deed your hand has done your righteousness is shown.

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Christian Hearts in Love United

Christian hearts in love united: search to know God's holy will.
Let his love, in us ignited, more and more our spirits fill.
Christ the head, and we his members – we reflect the light he is.
Christ the master, we disciples – He is ours and we are his.

Grant, Lord that with your direction "Love each other" we comply.
Help us live in true affection, Your love to exemplify.
Let our mutual love be glowing brightly so that all may view
That we, as on one stem growing, living branches are in you.

Come, then, living church of Jesus, covenant with him anew.
Unto to him who conquered for us may we pledge our service true.
May our lives reflect the brightness of God's love in Jesus shown.
To the world we then bear witness: we belong to God alone.

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We Come, O Christ, to Worship You

We come, O Christ, to You, true Son of God and man,
By whom all things consist, in whom all life began.
In You alone we live and move, and have our being in your love.

You only are true Life, to know you is to live
The more abundant life that earth can never give.
O risen Lord! We live in You: in us each day Your life renew!

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Call to Confession: *Ephesians 4:22-24* *Put off your old self, which belongs to your former manner of life and is corrupt through deceitful desires, and to renewed in the spirit of your minds; and put on the new self, created after the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness.*

Prayer of Confession

Assurance: *II Corinthians 4:16*

So we do not lose heart. Though our outer self is wasting away, our inner self is being renewed day by day.

Amazing Grace

Amazing Grace! How sweet the sound; that saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost but now am found, was blind but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved;
How precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed!

Through many dangers, toils, and snares, I have already come;
'Tis grace hath brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.

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Offertory Prayer and Offering: Mission and Outreach

Congregational Prayer

Spirit of the Living God

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me: melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

Spirit of the living God, move among us all;
Make us one in heart and mind, make us one in love: humble, caring, selfless, sharing.

Spirit of the living God, fill our lives with love.

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Scripture: Romans 12:1-2

¹ *I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship.* ² *Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.*

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Message: Do Not Be Conformed

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, thine own may I be,
Thou in me dwelling, and I one with Thee.

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

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God's Blessing

Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

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Pastor: Robert W
Prayer: Dustin H, Wes V
Music: Mike H

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Nursery is available with a paging system for children under 3 years during the service in the Education Building.

Children's Church is available for children 3 years – 3rd grade. Children are dismissed to the Education Building during the service.

Worship services are also broadcast live in the basement and streamed online for anyone unable to worship in the sanctuary.

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.