

First Christian Reformed Church
Lynden, Washington

Announcements for July 13, 2025

WORSHIP SERVICES

July 13 - 10:30 AM - 125th Anniversary Morning Service

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Preaching - Robert W

Psalm 78:1-7 "From Generation to Generation"

July 6 - 6:00 PM - 125th Anniversary Evening Service

Preaching - Robert W

Psalm 145:4-7 "Declaring Your Mighty Acts"

July 20 - 10:30 AM

Preaching - Robert W

Romans 12:3-8 "Having Gifts That Differ"

July 20 - 6:00 PM

Preaching - Robert W

"A Walk Through The Bible - Hosea"

- **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 on the church lawn or in the basement (weather dependent).
- **Join us online**, services can be streamed at www.firsterclynden.org.

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERING SCHEDULE

- **July 13** – 125th Anniversary Fund - a fund that will help cover expenses related to the 125th anniversary celebration and the anniversary booklet/directory.
- **July 13 - Love Offering** - Luke Society
- **July 20** - Gideons
- **July 27** - Benevolence

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
- Dropped off at church during the week
- Electronically through a bill pay service

PRAYER AND PRAISE

BIRTHDAY GREETINGS

- Greta E will celebrate her 90th birthday on July 17.
- Joyce H will celebrate her 90th birthday on July 17.
- Don S will celebrate his 83rd birthday on July 19.

CONGRATULATIONS

- Congratulations to Nathalie T & Isaac T who plan to unite in marriage on Saturday, July 12.

THANK YOU

- Thank you to the members of the 125th Anniversary Committee that has worked hard for the past year planning and preparing all aspects of the anniversary celebration. The 125th Anniversary Committee members: Galen L, Fred Y, Mary V Kara H, Coni H, Tate B, Leah J, and Carl R.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

NEW MAILBOX NUMBERS UPDATED IN JULY!

In conjunction with our new church directory coming in July we are updating the church mailbox numbers. Family last names will be put in alphabetical order again. The change will be next Sunday, July 20 with new mailbox numbers listed in the directory.

ANNUAL CHURCH PICNIC

Everyone is invited to the church picnic on Monday, July 21 at the Antique Tractor Pavilion (south of the Berthusen Park main entrance). Come around 6:00 PM, dinner will start at 6:30 PM.

This is also a potluck, so families with last names starting with A - M are asked to bring a salad (no potato salad, First CRC potato salad will be provided) and N - Z are asked to bring a dessert. Paper products, serving utensils for the salads and desserts, and beverages will also be provided.

The theme this year is "Bluegrass in the Park" with Aaron M and the Queen Bluegrass Band. Along with the band, there will also be cornhole, a candy toss, train rides, and much more! A donation box will be available to offset some of the expenses. If you need a ride or more information, contact the church office.

125th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Friday, July 11 - 7:00 pm Anniversary Program

- Guest Speaker, Jon H
- Video Reflections
- First CRC Kids Choir
- Dutch Choir
- Ministries of Music
- Living Portraits by the Forged@First Youth Group
- Ice cream float social following the program

Saturday, July 12 - 1:00 pm-3:00 pm Open House

- Open House for Members/Community
- 30 minute Organ Recital by Shawn V

Sunday, July 13

- 10:30 am - Anniversary Worship Service
- 11:45 am - All Church Picture
- 12:00 pm - All Church Lunch on Front Lawn with Games/Activities for Kids
- 6:00 pm - Evening Worship

CHURCH PHOTOS AND MEMORABILIA

Be sure to take some time to look at all the photos and memorabilia on display in the church basement. This display will be up all weekend and next Sunday.

ANNIVERSARY KEEPSAKE ITEMS

We will have a variety of keepsake items available to purchase for the 125th Anniversary. Pictures and prices of the items are available of each item in the narthex next to the Welcome Center or in the church office during the week. Order forms are available on the table in the narthex.

ROCK THE BLOCK

Coming July 22-24 from 9:00 AM - 12:30 PM and on Thursday we invite the whole family to join us for an evening of fun! For more information or to register for Rock the Block, visit: rocktheblocklynden.com.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

A day camp of this size takes an incredible force of amazing volunteers. Teens and Adults - WE NEED YOU! **We are looking for helpers ages 12+. From group leaders, junior leaders, registration, set-up/take-down, etc.- we need you!** Pray and consider how you can help make a KINGDOM IMPACT this summer as we join other local churches to host an outdoor day camp for kids. Childcare provided. If you are willing to volunteer, contact Stephanie R.

FOOD DRIVE

One of the highlights of Rock the Block last year was our Missions Station - serving "Here, Near, and Far!" We are honored and excited to feature First CRC's very own **Bucket Boys Street Team!** This will be our "Near" station that will be featured on Wednesday, July 23. We'd love FCRC's help in collecting at least 200 PB&J sandwiches (Uncrustables work, too!), and individually wrapped cookies. Kids attending will learn all about this ministry and put together a decorated brown bag with these items in them to be passed out by our Bucket Boys.

Our "Here" station will be **Backpack Buddies of Lynden.** We will be asking our participants and volunteers to bring 16 oz jars of peanut butter to add to our **TOWER OF PB** on our stage. Check out on Facebook and Instagram @backpackbuddieslynden for more information or come chat with Stephanie for more about this local ministry. PB is the most affordable source of protein, so it has become our focus. However, we are also happy to accept donations of Kraft Mac & Cheese Cups and Ramen Cups.

UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS

MEN'S PRAYER GROUP

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

WORSHIP PLANNING

The Worship Planning Team will meet on Wednesday, July 16 at 7:00 PM in the Council Room.

EDUCATION MINISTRY TEAM

The Education Ministry Team will meet on Friday, July 18 at 6:00 PM in The Loft.

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

All young and middle-aged men are invited to join us for coffee, donuts and Bible study on Saturday, July 19 at 7:00 AM at Pat's Place. For more information, contact Patrick J.

TIRED AND RETIRED

All those 40+ are invited to a Potluck & Movie Night in the VanderPol's barn on Friday, August 1. Our theme this year is *Americana*, feel free to wear your Red, White & Blue! Your welcome to come after 5:00 PM; dinner will be at 6:00 PM. Please bring a salad or dessert to share. Tableware and beverages provided. *Come for a great night of fellowship and fun!* Please sign up on the kiosk or call Liz to RSVP.

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8:30 AM – 12:30 PM