

First Christian Reformed Church  
Lynden, Washington  
July 13, 2025 ~ 6:00 PM Worship Service

**Words from Missionaries Ken & Chris Van Weerdhuizen**

**Call to Worship:** *Psalm 147:1, 5, 7, 12, 20b*

*Praise the Lord!*

*For it is good to sing praises to our God; for it is pleasant, and a song of praise is fitting.*

***Great is our Lord, and abundant in power; his understanding is beyond measure.***

***Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving; make melody to our God on the lyre!***

***Praise the Lord, O Jerusalem! Praise your God, O Zion! Praise the Lord!***

**Opening Prayer**

***He Is Exalted***

He is exalted, the King is exalted on high; I will praise Him.

He is exalted, forever exalted, and I will praise His name!

He is the Lord; forever His truth shall reign.

Heaven and earth rejoice in His holy name.

He is exalted, the King is exalted on high.

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***Alleluia! Sing to Jesus***

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus! His the scepter, His the throne;

Alleluia! His the triumph, His the victory alone.

Hark! The songs of peaceful Zion thunder like a mighty flood.

Jesus, out of every nation, has redeemed us by His blood.

Alleluia! Not as orphans are we left in sorrow now;

Alleluia! He is near us; faith believes, nor questions how.

Though the cloud from sight received Him

When the forty days were o'er,

Shall our hearts forget His promise, "I am with you evermore"?

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***We Are God's People***

We are God's people, the chosen of the Lord,

Born of His Spirit, established by His Word.

Our cornerstone is Christ alone, and strong in Him we stand;

O let us live transparently and walk heart to heart and hand in hand.

We are the Body of which the Lord is Head,

Called to obey Him, now risen from the dead.

He wills us be a family diverse, yet truly one;

O let us give our gifts to God

And so shall His work on earth be done.

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**Profession of Faith:** *Psalm 100*

***Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth!***

***Serve the Lord with gladness! Come into his presence with singing!***

***Know that the Lord, he is God!***

***It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.***

***Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise!***

***Give thanks to him; bless his name!***

***For the Lord is good;***

***his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.***

**Offering:** 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration Fund

**Evening Prayer**

## ***Still, My Soul, Be Still***

Still, my soul, be still and do not fear though winds of change may rage tomorrow.  
God is at your side; no longer dread the fires of unexpected sorrow.

*Refrain:* God, You are my God, and I will trust in You and not be shaken.  
Lord of peace, renew a steadfast spirit within me to rest in You alone.

Still, my soul, be still; do not be moved by lesser lights and fleeting shadows.  
Hold on to His ways, with shield of faith against temptation's flaming arrows. *Refrain*

Still, my soul, be still; do not forsake the truth you learned in the beginning.  
Wait upon the Lord, and hope will rise as stars appear when day is dimming. *Refrain*

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## **Scripture: Psalm 145:4-12**

- <sup>4</sup> *One generation shall commend your works to another, and shall declare your mighty acts.*  
<sup>5</sup> *On the glorious splendor of your majesty, and on your wondrous works, I will meditate.*  
<sup>6</sup> *They shall speak of the might of your awesome deeds, and I will declare your greatness.*  
<sup>7</sup> *They shall pour forth the fame of your abundant goodness and shall sing aloud of your righteousness.*  
<sup>8</sup> *The LORD is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.*  
<sup>9</sup> *The LORD is good to all, and his mercy is over all that he has made.*  
<sup>10</sup> *All your works shall give thanks to you, O LORD, and all your saints shall bless you!*  
<sup>11</sup> *They shall speak of the glory of your kingdom and tell of your power,*  
<sup>12</sup> *to make known to the children of man your mighty deeds, and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.*

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **Message: Declaring Your Mighty Acts**

### ***O Praise the Lord, for It Is Good***

O praise the LORD, for it is good to sing unto our God;  
'Tis right and pleasant for his saints to tell his praise abroad.  
The LORD our God builds up his church, finds those who draw apart;  
He binds their wounds and gently leads, He heals the broken heart.

Our LORD is great: he calls by name and counts the stars of night;  
His wisdom is unsearchable, and wondrous is his might.  
The LORD upholds the poor and meek but brings the wicked low;  
Sing praise to him who sends the rain, whose care the cattle know.

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## **God's Blessing**

### ***O Praise the Lord, for It Is Good***

No human might, no earthly pride delights the LORD above;  
In those who fear him he delights, in those who trust his love.  
O Zion, praise the LORD your God, his wondrous love confess;  
He is your glory and your strength, he will your children bless.

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Pastors: Zac H, Robert W

Music: Ken Q, Lisa Q

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