

First Christian Reformed Church
Lynden, Washington

Announcements for July 20, 2025

WORSHIP SERVICES

July 20 - 10:30 AM - Preaching - Robert W
Romans 12:3-8 "Having Gifts That Differ"

July 20 - 6:00 PM - Preaching - Robert W
Hosea 1:1-9; 2:23; 3:1-2; 14:4-7; "A Walk Through The Bible - Hosea"

July 27 - 10:30 AM - Preaching - Robert W
Romans 12:9-13 "Having Gifts that Differ: What Are Gifts?"

July 27 - 6:00 PM - Preaching - Robert W
Joel 1:1-4; 2:1-3, 12-13, 25-29 "A Walk Through the Bible - Joel"

- **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 20** – Gideons - an organization with the primary purpose to win souls for Christ. One of their main ministries is the placement of Bibles in “human traffic lanes”, placing almost 63 million scriptures annually. For more information, visit gideons.org.
- **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

PRAYER ITEMS

- **Rock the Block** is this week, Tuesday, July 22 - Thursday, July 24. Pray for the leaders, volunteers, and especially for the children and their families that will be involved in the coming week.
- **Cadets** have their annual Sumas Camp this week, July 24-27. Pray for safety for all involved, good weather, and most importantly a time for these boys to grow in their faith and strengthen their relationship with God.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

NORTHWEST RASPBERRY FESTIVAL

Reminder that due to the Northwest Raspberry Festival and the car show associated with the festival, Front Street will be blocked off and closed on Saturday, July 19. The church parking lot will also be full, so plan ahead if you need access to the church buildings on Saturday.

NEW MAILBOX NUMBERS THIS SUNDAY!

In conjunction with our new church directory, we are updating the church mailbox numbers. The change will take place **THIS SUNDAY, JULY 20**. New mailbox numbers are listed in the directory you received last week. Please look for your NEW MAILBOX NUMBER when you check your mail.

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.

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.

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 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.

HELPNG HANDS

All who love to sew, knit, or crochet are invited to join us this week Monday, July 21 at 1:00 PM in the Education Building.

COUNCIL

The Council will meet on Tuesday, July 22 at 6:30 PM in the Church Basement.

MEN'S PRAYER GROUP

Join us for prayer on Wednesday mornings 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.

CHURCH INFORMATION

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8:30 AM – 12:30 PM