

# First Christian Reformed Church

Lynden, Washington

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## *Announcements for August 31, 2025*

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### WORSHIP SERVICES

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#### **August 31 - 10:30 AM**

Presentation of Bibles to 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Students

Preaching - Robert W

*Romans 12:4-5* "Having Gifts that Differ: Discerning Your Spiritual Gift in the Body"

#### **August 31 - 6:00 PM - Joint CRC Worship Service at Bethel CRC**

Pastor Bryan Dick

#### **September 7 - 10:30 AM**

Preaching - Mitchell S

*Romans 8:14-17* "Enfolding"

#### **September 7 - 6:00 PM**

Preaching - Don R

*Psalms 16:2,6,11* "Eternal Pleasures"

- 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.firstcrlcynden.org](http://www.firstcrlcynden.org).

### **ELEVATOR IS OUT OF ORDER**

*If you usually use the elevator, please use the entrance by the organ while we are waiting for the elevator to be repaired. Thank you.*

### TITHES AND OFFERINGS

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#### OFFERING SCHEDULE

- **August 31 AM** - Dustin & Melissa
- **August 31 PM** – Envision Ministry
- **September 7** – Christian School Tuition Assistance

#### 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

You can give to the operating fund of the church at any time; there is no scheduled offering time for this fund. *Please use either the blue or green envelopes or write "Operating Fund" on the check memo line.*

### PRAYER AND PRAISE

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#### PRAYER ITEMS

- **Vernon S** remains in the hospital recovering from gall bladder surgery.
- **Tina D** is in rehab at the Christian Health Care Center after a stay at the hospital to treat a tumor on her disk.
- **Elsie T** was in the hospital this past week due to weakness due to low sodium and is recovering at home.
- **Gail A** anticipates having hip surgery on Monday, September 8.
- **Gene V** is at Avalon Care Center for rehab after falling and breaking his wrist.

## THANK YOU

- Friends in Christ, thank you for your recent gift! Your church's generous support, enables us to support doctors and nurses who are living out their calling to make Jesus Christ known in the world. Your contributions will be sent out with prayers to spread the message of health in Jesus' name throughout the world. We appreciate the generous people at First CRC and pray that you will be blessed with much joy in this summer season and throughout the year. ~ The Luke Society

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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### COMBINED CRC EVENING SERVICE

You are invited to the combined CRC evening service at Bethel Christian Reformed Church this Sunday, August 31 at 6:00 PM led by Pastor Bryan D. The offering will be taken for Envision Ministries and a nursery will be provided. Following the service, please join us downstairs for coffee and cookies.

### FIRST FAMILY CAMP - SEPTEMBER 5-7

Join us for a fun weekend of relaxation and fellowship with our church family! Come, be yourself, sit back and relax! There is lots of places for kids to ride bike, scooter, skateboard, etc. Meals will be on your own, unless you make arrangements with others, except for a group potluck on Saturday evening and a cookie and coffee fellowship time on Sunday. Plan to be there rain or shine!

When: Friday, September 5 - Sunday, September 7

Where: Howard Miller Steelhead Park in Rockport, Washington

Everyone is invited to a potluck dinner at the camp on Saturday – *all those at camp and any day visitors are welcome to join us!*

### LIFE GROUPS AT FIRST CRC

*Jesus never intended for the Christian life to be a solo journey.*

Jesus' plan has always been for His followers to grow together through meaningful relationships. He started the very first small group to train and launch His ministry. Those 12 men began their own small groups, communities of believers, as we hear about in Acts 2.

*Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people.*

*Acts 2:46-47*

First CRC "Life Groups" designed to help our church family build fulfilling friendships through small groups. Besides being a valuable ministry for enfolded new members and guests to our church family, small groups will encourage long-time members to move beyond friendly greetings on Sundays to deeper connection and involvement.

*Community is one of God's appointed means for the grace of mutual encouragement and exhortation.*  
**WE STAND FIRM WHEN WE STAND TOGETHER.**

Life Groups provide regular fellowship, Bible study and prayer. Making a commitment to a Life Group is a commitment to share life with other believers on an exciting journey of growing together in our walk with the Lord.

*You do not need to walk the Christian life alone or get lost in the body of Christ.*

You are invited to share this opportunity to grow in faith with others. Be thinking and praying about what kind of group you would enjoy. There are a variety of LIFE groups available.

You are invited to sign up by any of the following ways:

- 1) Tear off the sign-up sheet (in your mailbox) and return to the box on the Welcome Center or to the church office.
- 2) Contact Kara or Susan in the church office (360-354-4560, [info@firstcreclynden.org](mailto:info@firstcreclynden.org)).
- 3) Sign up online – see weekly email for link to sign up.

### MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES AT FIRST CRC

In your church mailbox this Sunday is a brochure with the many ministries available at First CRC. Please take a little time to look over it and see where you might fit best for learning or for serving our church family. If you have questions about any of the ministries, contact the leader listed or the church office.

## UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS

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### **MOMS@1st LEADERSHIP**

We will meet on Tuesday, September 2 at 9:30 AM in the Education Building.

### **ELDERS**

The elders will meet on Tuesday, September 2 at 7:00 PM in the Loft. **Please note location change.**

### **DEACONS**

The deacons will meet on Tuesday, September 2 at 7:00 PM in the Council Room.

### **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.

### **TRIBE (HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY)**

All high school students are invited to join us for on Wednesday, September 3 for our regular meeting. If you have any questions about this event or about the Tribe Ministry, contact Cal B or Pastor Zac.

### **MEN'S BIBLE STUDY**

All young and middle-aged men are invited to join us for coffee, donuts and Bible study on Saturday, September 6 at 7:00 AM at Pat's Place. For more information, contact Patrick J.

### **CADETS (1st – 8th GRADE BOYS MINISTRY)**

All boys in 1st -8th grade are invited as we will kick off the Cadet season at Meenderincks' Pond on Monday, September 8 at 6:30 PM. Moms, dads, sisters and brothers are all welcome for a fun night of fishing and swimming, along with hot dogs and chips. For more information about Cadets, contact Brian S.

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## CHURCH INFORMATION

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