

# First Christian Reformed Church

Lynden, Washington

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## *Announcements for November 2, 2025*

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### WORSHIP SERVICES

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**November 2 - 10:30 AM** - Preaching - Robert W

*Romans 12:16-18* "Live in Harmony with One Another III"

**November 2 - 6:00 PM** - Preaching - Robert W

*Zephaniah 1:1-7a; 3:14-20* "A Walk Through The Bible: Zephaniah "

**November 9 - 10:30 AM**

Preaching - Zac H

*Mark 3:1-6* "When Jesus Meets Our Withered Places"

**November 9 - 6:00 PM**

Preaching - Robert W

*Haggai 1:1-8; 2:6-9* "A Walk Through The Bible: Haggai"

- **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.
- **Join us online**, services can be streamed at [www.firsterclynden.org](http://www.firsterclynden.org).

### TITHES AND OFFERINGS

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#### OFFERING SCHEDULE

- **November 2 – Christian School Tuition Assistance**, a fund used to help cover tuition cost of First church families who send their children to Christian schools.
- **November 9 – Forged@First** (7th-8th Grade Youth Ministry)
- **November 16 – Building the Future**
- **November 23 – Street Ministry/Bucket Boys**
- **November 27 Thanksgiving – Thanksgiving Envelopes**
- **November 30 – Mission and Outreach**

#### 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 (1010 Front Street, Lynden, WA 98264)
- Dropped off at church during the week
- Electronically through a bill pay service or online through [Tithe.ly](http://Tithe.ly)

#### PHASE III BUILDING PLEDGE CARDS

Pledge cards for the Phase III Building Plan are available on the Welcome Center and at the link below. The cards have details about pledges and the financial matters of the building project on one side and a place to put your pledge information on the other side. Please return pledge cards to Paul Assink (box A9) by the end of November.

#### DEACON REPORT TO THE CONGREGATION

The report from the deacons for October 2025 is now available in your mailbox or on the Welcome Center.

### PRAYER AND PRAISE

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#### PRAYER ITEMS

- Brian K remains in the hospital dealing with the effects of pneumonia. He had a chest tube put in to help drain fluid around his lungs. Pray for continued healing and strength.
- Willie A continues to deal with weakness.

- Sharon VB was in the hospital this week for severe gout in hand due to her arthritis. She is at CHCC for rehab.
- Elsie D had successful eye surgery and is recovering at home.

## **THANK YOU**

- We are back safely and so very grateful for the prayer and financial support from our First church family. We were blessed beyond measure and look forward to sharing our journey on November 9. In the meantime, we'd love to tell you our stories, so please ask! ~ Thailand Mission Team
- 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. In this harvest season we are reminded of our thankfulness to the Lord for the many ways he has blessed us. Luke Society directors across the globe are helping to bring in their own harvests each day as they allow the Holy Spirit to use their gifts in medicine to win new lives for Christ. We thank the people of First CRC for assisting in this important calling through your financial gifts. You are a blessing to us and to Christians across the world. ~ The Luke Society

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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### **END OF DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME**

Reminder that Daylight Savings Time ends this Sunday, November 2 and clocks need to be set back 1 hour.

### **HARVEST DINNER - SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 2**

Our annual Harvest Dinner will be Sunday, November 2, following the morning worship service. *Everyone* is invited to join us as we give thanks to God. *If you would like a meal delivered or a take-out meal due to health difficulties, please contact the church office at 360-354-4560 no later than Friday, October 31.* Take-out meals will only be available to those signed up ahead of time. The Harvest Dinner is free for all, but donations will be accepted to help cover costs.

### **DINNERS 8 FELLOWSHIP GROUPS**

Dinners 8 is a way to connect and get to know other people from our church family! Groups of 8 people....singles or couples of any age....meet and share a meal together 4 times during the fall and winter (schedule determined by members) at their homes, church, or some other place. Sign up now at the kiosk or contact Marilyn MC.

### **CHURCH OFFICE CLOSURE**

The church office will be closed on Friday, November 14 due to staff vacations and medical appointments. If you have anything that needs to be in the announcements for the weekend of November 16, please have it into the church office no later than November 12. Thank you for your patience and understanding!

### **DRIVERS FOR JOHN MEAD**

We again are looking for a few more drivers to help take John M to dialysis on Tuesday and Thursdays afternoon. You need to be at Meads by 4:15 pm. John will need to be dropped off at Davita Kidney Care/Mt. Baker Kidney Center (410 Birchwood Ave Suite 100, Bellingham). Karen will pick up John from dialysis. If you are willing to help once or more please contact the church office. Thank so much for participating in this ministry.

### **CADET SELLING POINSETTIAS**

The Cadets (1st-8th grade boys ministry) are selling poinsettias (red, white, and jingle bell) in 6" pots for \$15.00 each.

Poinsettias will be available for pick-up Friday and Saturday, November 28-29, in the Ed. Building. Orders and payment must be received by November 17. To place an order, contact one of the Cadets or place your form and payment in the box on the Welcome Center.

### **WINTER COAT DRIVE FOR NORTHWEST HISPANIC MINISTRY**

Joe Strong with Northwest Hispanic ministries and Amor Viviente Church is asking for winter coats for all ages as they seek to minister to and serve the minority community in Bellingham and Whatcom County. There is a box in the reception area by the church office.

## UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS

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### **MEN'S SATURDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY**

All young and middle-aged men are invited to join us for coffee, donuts and Bible study on Saturday, November 1 at 7:00 AM at Pat's Place. For more information, contact Patrick J.

### **EDUCATION HOUR**

Please note that there will not be any education classes on Sunday, November 2 due to the Harvest Dinner set-up. Classes for all ages will resume on November 9 at 9:30 AM.

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

We will have our annual Cadet Skating Party on Monday, November 3 from 6:30-8:30 PM at the Lynden Skateway. Please bring/pick up your cadet at Lynden Skateway - there will be no one at First CRC. Cost: \$8.00. Please do not wear the cadet shirt/uniform. For more information, contact Brian.

### **MOMS@1st**

We will meet on Tuesday, November 4 from 9:30-11:00 AM in the Loft. For more information contact Mindy VV.

### **ELDERS**

Elders will meet on Tuesday, November 4 at 6:30 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.

### **GLOW (2nd-6th GRADE GIRLS MINISTRY)**

We will meet on Wednesday, November 5 from 6:30 - 8:00 PM in the Education Building. For more information about GLOW, contact Melissa N or Alicia H

*\*\* All ladies are welcome to join us for a lesson or a craft/activity, especially moms of GLOW girls! For more information about helping out, contact Melissa or Alicia.*

### **WORSHIP PLANNING**

We will meet on Wednesday, November 5 at 7:00 PM in the Council Room.

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

All high school students are invited to join us for on Wednesday November 5 from 7:30 - 9:00 PM. If you have any questions about this event or about the Tribe Ministry, contact Cal B or Pastor Zac.

### **DAUGHTERS OF ZION - WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY**

We will meet on Thursday, November 6 at 10:00-11:00 AM in the Education Building. Servers are Candace Laird and Pat Martin. If you have any questions, please contact Helene Y.

### **MEN'S THURSDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY**

The Thursday men's Bible study will meet on Thursday, November 6 at 7:00 PM in the Church Basement. All men of any ages are welcome to join us; we meet the first and third Thursdays of the month.