

# First Christian Reformed Church Lynden, Washington

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## *Announcements for December 21, 2025*

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### WORSHIP SERVICES

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**December 21 - 10:30 AM** - Fourth Sunday of Advent

Preaching - Robert W

*II Samuel 7:8-16* "The Covenant with David - Promise of the Everlasting Kingdom"

**December 21 - 6:00 PM**

A Traditional Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols with Candles

**December 25 - 10:00 AM** - Christmas Day Service

Preaching - Robert W

*Luke 1:68-79; II Corinthians 1:20* "The Covenant with Christ - Promise of Covenant Fulfillment"

**December 28 - 10:30 AM** - Preaching - Zac H

*Mark 5:1-20* "When Grace Is More Disturbing Than Chains"

**\*\* Please note there will not be an evening service on Sunday, December 28.**

- Nursery is available for children up to 3 years during the morning service in the Ed. Building.
- **Children's Church** is available for children 3 years – 3rd grade during the morning service.
- **After the Service**, you are invited to join us for a time of fellowship in the church basement.
- **Join us online**, services can be streamed at [www.firstcrelynden.org](http://www.firstcrelynden.org).

### TITHES AND OFFERINGS

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#### OFFERING SCHEDULE

- **December 21: Eric & Penny - Pacific Island Ministries** These funds will be used to help cover the cost of Christian teaching materials, developed by Eric and used in the public school system in Papua New Guinea. For more information, visit [www.piministries.com](http://www.piministries.com).
- **December 25 - Christmas Day: Benevolence Fund**
- **December 28: Building the Future Fund**

#### 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 service or online through [Tithe.ly](http://Tithe.ly)

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.*

#### PLEDGE CARDS INFORMATION

Thank you to those who have turned in your pledge cards already. So far we have had less responses than we did last time (3 years ago). It is not too late to turn in your pledges. One time donations/monthly donations, no matter the amount, will help. If you have questions please talk to Paul Assink.

#### END OF THE YEAR GIVING

If you would like to make contributions to the church before the end of the year, you can put it in the offering bag, give it to one of the deacons, or give it to the church office no later December 31 or post marked by December 31.

## PRAYER AND PRAISE

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### PRAYER ITEMS

- Wes V had a successful heart procedure on Friday and is back at home recovering.
- Ella Mae W had heart valve replacement surgery on Friday and is now recovering.
- Paul M is in rehab at Avalon Healthcare in Bellingham but hopes to return home on Tuesday.
- Joshua M is doing much better but still needs prayers for a full and complete recovery.
- Steve V, son of Lena Marie, is in rehab in Nashville, doing better as he recovers from a brain bleed.

### SYMPATHY

- We extend our sympathy to Aug & Dee, Chuck & Peggy, and Jennie B with the passing of their sister, Jane E on Saturday, December 13.

### THANK YOU

- Thank you, people of First CRC, for your gift of \$850. You are an encouragement to us as we reach out to hurting youth with the truth and love of Jesus. ~ Tim N, Youth Dynamics

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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### LYNDEN MUSIC FESTIVAL CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Join us on Monday, December 22 at First Christian Reformed Church in Lynden for a FREE Christmas concert. Our theme this year is "Christmas Around the World"! Enjoy some goodies beforehand at 6:15 PM before joining us for some Christmas carols and a night of great music at 7:00 PM. This event is a benefit for Adia Jobses and a love offering will be taken to support her medical costs and support the ongoing research efforts for sialidosis.

### 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, December 20 at 7:00 AM at Pat's Place. For more information, contact Patrick J.

### EDUCATION HOUR

Classes for all ages are on a Christmas break and will resume again in January. Please watch announcements for more information.

### MEN'S PRAYER GROUP

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



## **CHURCH INFORMATION**

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