

First Christian Reformed Church Lynden, Washington

Announcements for January 04, 2026

WORSHIP SERVICES

January 4 - 10:30 AM – Old Year/New Year Service

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Preaching – Robert W

Ephesians 3:14-19 "May You Be Filled with the Fullness of God."

January 4 – 6:00 PM

Preaching – Guest Pastor Jim V

Revelation 1:4-8 "Three Questions About Jesus for 2026"

January 11- 10:30 AM

Preaching – Guest Pastor Don R

I Chronicles 12:23-40 "Understanding the Times."

January 4 - 6:00 PM

Preaching – Guest Pastor, Bryan D

Psalms 31 "Committing Our Lives in Faith"

- **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.

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERING SCHEDULE

- **January 4 - Christian School Tuition Assistance**, a fund used to help cover tuition cost of First church families who send their children to Christian schools.
- **January 4 - Love Offering - The Luke Society** provides resources and support for international Christian health visionaries who care for the needs of their own people.
- **January 11 - Sumas CRC Flood Relief**
- **January 18 - Lynden Human Life**
- **January 25 - First CRC Cadets**

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 (at the church office during office hours or in the outside locking mailbox after hours)
- Electronically through a bill pay service or online through 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.* Note - green envelopes are just older envelopes the deacons are using up - they will be counted as part of the Operating Fund, even though they are labeled as Ministry Shares.

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 A.

DEACON REPORT TO THE CONGREGATION

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

PRAYER AND PRAISE

THANK YOU

- Dear First Church Family, What a blessing all of you are to our family. We rejoice in being able to share this wonderful season with you. Thank you very much for all the cards, pictures, notes, goodies and gifts. What a great church family you are. We are looking forward to experiencing God's steadfast love and grace with you in 2025. May God richly bless each of you and your families. We love you. ~ Pastor Robert & Phama
- As we reflect on this past Christmas season, we want to say thank you for the many gifts, kind notes, cards, and treats you shared with our family. Your thoughtfulness was such a joy to receive and a real encouragement to us. We are continually grateful for this church family—for your generosity, your prayers, and the steady kindness you show week after week. Being able to serve and worship alongside you has been a gift to us, and moments like these remind us how blessed we are to be part of this community. Thank you for walking with us as we continue this journey together. We look forward to another year of serving, growing, and watching the Lord work in and through our church. ~ Pastor Zac, Alicia, and Olivia
- Dear First CRC, Thank you so much for partnering with Project Hope this Christmas season through our Christmas Market. Because of your generosity, compassion, and willingness to purchase and collect gifts, we were able to serve 118 families and 391 children in our community. The families included both our guests at Project Hope Food Bank and some families affected by the recent flooding. This would not have been possible without your help! Please see attached photos of the Market to see how much your church, along with other churches and businesses, blessed the Market. Your support allowed families to experience dignity, choice, and joy as they selected gifts for their children. While photos of families are not included to protect their privacy, we're sure you can imagine the room filled with parents and grandparents carefully making their choices and filling their bags with gifts for their loved ones. From all of us at Project Hope, thank you for helping us serve our neighbors in need.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND UPCOMING MEETINGS

PASTOR ROBERT ON STUDY LEAVE

Pastor Robert & Phama are away from Lynden for two weeks to refresh and take time for a study leave. Pray that this will be a fruitful time for Pastor Robert as he prepares for this coming year. Please contact Pastor Zac, council members or the church with any needs during this time.

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, January 3 at 7:00 AM at Pat's Place. For more information, contact Patrick J.

EDUCATION HOUR

Classes for all ages are on Christmas break and will resume again on January 11.

CADETS (1st-8th BOYS MINISTRY)

All boys in 1st -8th grade are invited to Cadets this Monday, January 5 from 7:00 - 8:30 PM in the Church Basement. For more information, contact Brian S.

MOMS@FIRST

We will meet on Tuesday, January 6 from 9:30 - 11:00 AM in the Loft.

ELDERS

Elders will meet on Tuesday, January 6 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.

GLOW (2nd-6th GRADE GIRLS MINISTRY)

We will meet on Wednesday, January 7 from 6:30 - 8:00 PM in the Education Building. For more information about GLOW, contact Melissa N or Alicia H.

TRIBE (HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY)

Join us for on January 7 from 7:30 - 9:00 PM. If you have any questions, contact Cal B or Pastor Zac.