

First Christian Reformed Church
Lynden, Washington
February 1, 2026 ~ 10:30 AM Worship Service

Call to Worship: *Be Still for the Presence*

Be still, for the presence of the Lord, the Holy One, is here;
Come bow before him now with reverence and fear:
In him no sin is found; we stand on holy ground.
Be still, for the presence of the Lord, the Holy One, is here.

Be still, for the power of the Lord is moving in this place;
He comes to cleanse and heal, to minister his grace
No work too hard for him, in faith receive from him.
Be still, for the power of the Lord is moving in this place.

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God's Greeting

How Great Thou Art

O Lord my God! When I in awesome wonder consider all the worlds Thy hands have made,
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder, Thy power throughout the universe displayed!

Refrain: Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee;
How great Thou art, how great Thou art!
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee;
How great Thou art, how great Thou art!

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!
Then I shall bow in humble adoration, and there proclaim, my God, how great Thou art! *Refrain*

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Days of Elijah

These are the days of Elijah, declaring the Word of the Lord;
And these are the days of Your servant, Moses, righteousness being restored;
And though these are days of great trials, of famine and darkness and sword,
Still we are the voice in the desert crying "Prepare ye the way of the Lord."

Refrain: Behold He comes, riding on the clouds, shining like the sun at the trumpet call;
Lift your voice, it's the year of Jubilee, and out of Zion's hill salvation comes.

And these are the days of Ezekiel, the dry bones becoming as flesh;
And these are the days of Your servant, David, rebuilding a temple of praise;
And these are the days of the harvest, the fields are as white in the world;
And we are the laborers in Your vineyard, declaring the Word of the Lord. *Refrain*

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Jesus, Strong and Kind

Jesus said that if I thirst, I should come to him.
No one else can satisfy; I should come to him.

Refrain: For the Lord is good and faithful; He will keep us day and night.
We can always run to Jesus; Jesus, strong and kind.

Jesus said that if I fear, I should come to him.
No one else can be my shield; I should come to him. *Refrain*

Jesus said if I am lost, he will come to me.
And he showed me on that cross he will come to me. *Refrain*

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Call to Confession: *Isaiah 1:18*

*"Come now, let us reason together, says the Lord: though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow;
though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool."*

Prayer of Confession

Assurance: Psalm 23

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

He makes me lie down in green pastures.

He leads me beside still waters. He restores my soul.

He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

Sacrament of Baptism: Kamryn, Walker

Come Unto Jesus

Come unto Jesus all you who are weary; come to the mercy seat, fervently kneel.

Here, bring your wounded heart, broken and needy; come unto Jesus, mighty to heal.

Joy of the comfortless, light for the straying, hope of the penitent, peace in our strife.

Here speaks the Comforter, tenderly saying my yoke is easy, My burden is light.

Refrain: Come unto Jesus; come unto Jesus; lay down your burdens, He is enough.

Come unto Jesus, rest in His love.

Come, now and follow Him, this life forsaking; all that was gained, count as nothing but loss.

Trade all this world for His kingdom unfading; come unto Jesus, and take up your cross. *Refrain*

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Offertory Prayer and Offering: Christian School Tuition Assistance

Offertory Ministry of Music: I Am Not My Own

Congregational Prayer

Scripture: Romans 13:1-7

¹ Let every person be subject to the governing authorities. For there is no authority except from God, and those that exist have been instituted by God. ² Therefore whoever resists the authorities resists what God has appointed, and those who resist will incur judgment. ³ For rulers are not a terror to good conduct, but to bad. Would you have no fear of the one who is in authority? Then do what is good, and you will receive his approval, ⁴ for he is God's servant for your good. But if you do wrong, be afraid, for he does not bear the sword in vain. For he is the servant of God, an avenger who carries out God's wrath on the wrongdoer. ⁵ Therefore one must be in subjection, not only to avoid God's wrath but also for the sake of conscience. ⁶ For because of this you also pay taxes, for the authorities are ministers of God, attending to this very thing. ⁷ Pay to all what is owed to them: taxes to whom taxes are owed, revenue to whom revenue is owed, respect to whom respect is owed, honor to whom honor is owed.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Message: God and Government

Have Thine Own Way

Have Thine own way, Lord! Have Thine own way! Thou art the potter, I am the clay!

Mold me and make me after Thy will, while I am waiting, yielded and still.

Have Thine own way, Lord! Have Thine own way! Hold o'er my being absolute sway!

Fill with Thy Spirit 'til all shall see Christ only, always, living in me!

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God's Blessing

We Receive Your Blessing

We receive Your blessing, we receive Your grace, as we walk in the light shining from Your face.

May the peace that You give change the way that we live.

We receive Your blessing as we leave this place.

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him, all creatures here below.

Praise Him, above You heavenly hosts. Praise Father, Son and praise the Holy Ghost.

We receive Your blessing as we leave this place.

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Pastors: Zac H, Jonathan U, Robert W

Prayer: Mark T, Rich H

Music: Paul A, Sharon A, Brian K, Lee V, Alicia H, Maya M

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Nursery is available with a paging system for children under 3 years during worship service in the Education Building.

Children's Church is available for children 3 years – 3rd grade. Children are dismissed during the worship service.

Worship services are also broadcast live in the basement and streamed online for anyone unable to worship in the sanctuary.

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On the bulletin, bold font is a response by the congregation. You are invited to join if you feel comfortable.

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