

First Christian Reformed Church  
Lynden, Washington  
January 18, 2026 ~ 6:00 PM Worship Service

**Call to Worship:** *II Chronicles 6:40; Psalm 63:1-4*

*Now, O my God, let your eyes be open and your ears attentive to the prayer of this place.*

*O God, you are my God; earnestly I seek you; my soul thirsts for you;*

*my flesh faints for you, as in a dry and weary land where there is no water.*

*So I have looked upon you in the sanctuary, beholding your power and glory.*

***Because your steadfast love is better than life, my lips will praise you.***

***So I will bless you as long as I live; in your name I will lift up my hands.***

**Opening Prayer**

***Come, Christians, Join to Sing***

Come, Christians, join to sing; Alleluia! Amen!

Loud praise to Christ our King; Alleluia! Amen!

Let all, with heart and voice, before His throne rejoice;

Praise is His gracious choice: Alleluia! Amen!

Come, lift your hearts on high; Alleluia! Amen!

Let praises fill the sky; Alleluia! Amen!

He is our Guide and Friend; to us He'll condescend;

His love shall never end: Alleluia! Amen!

Praise yet our Christ again, Alleluia! Amen!

Life shall not end the strain; Alleluia! Amen!

On heaven's blissful shore His goodness we'll adore,

Singing forevermore, "Alleluia! Amen!"

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***Behold Our God***

Who has held the oceans in His hands? Who has numbered every grain of sand?

Kings and nations tremble at His voice. All creation rises to rejoice.

*Refrain:* Behold our God, seated on His throne; come, let us adore Him.

Behold our King, nothing can compare; come let us adore Him!

Who has given counsel to the Lord? Who can question any of His words?

Who can teach the one who knows all things? Who can fathom all His wondrous deeds? *Refrain*

Who has felt the nails upon His hands, bearing all the guilt of sinful man?

God eternal, humbled to the grave. Jesus, Savior, risen now to reign! *Refrain*

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***I Love You, Lord***

I love you, Lord, and I lift my voice to worship You, O my soul, rejoice!

Take joy, my King, in what you hear: may it be a sweet, sweet sound in Your ear.

I love you, Lord, and I lift my voice to worship You, O my soul, rejoice!

Take joy, my King, in what you hear: may it be a sweet, sweet sound in Your ear.

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**Profession of Faith:** Heidelberg Catechism Q&A 31

Why is he called "Christ," meaning "Anointed"?

**Because he has been ordained by God the Father and has been anointed with the Holy Spirit to be our chief prophet and teacher**

**who perfectly reveals to us the secret counsel and will of God for our deliverance;**

**our only high priest who has set us free by the one sacrifice of his body,**

**and who continually pleads our cause with the Father;**

**and our eternal king who governs us by his Word and Spirit,**

**and who guards us and keeps us in the freedom he has won for us.**

**Offering:** Christian School Tuition Assistance

**Evening Prayer**

## **Blessed Jesus at Your Word**

Blessed Jesus, at your word we are gathered all to hear you.  
Let our hearts and souls be stirred now to seek and love and fear you.  
By your gospel pure and holy, teach us, Lord, to love You solely.

All our knowledge, sense, and sight life in deepest darkness shrouded,  
Till your Spirit breaks our night with your beams of truth unclouded.  
You alone to God can win us; You must work all good within us.

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## **Scripture: Hebrews 1:1-4**

<sup>1</sup> Long ago, at many times and in many ways, God spoke to our fathers by the prophets, <sup>2</sup> but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed the heir of all things, through whom also he created the world. <sup>3</sup> He is the radiance of the glory of God and the exact imprint of his nature, and he upholds the universe by the word of his power. After making purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, <sup>4</sup> having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.

## **Hebrews 3:3**

For Jesus has been counted worthy of more glory than Moses—as much more glory as the builder of a house has more honor than the house itself.

## **Hebrews 7:23-25**

<sup>23</sup> The former priests were many in number, because they were prevented by death from continuing in office, <sup>24</sup> but he holds his priesthood permanently, because he continues forever. <sup>25</sup> Consequently, he is able to save to the uttermost those who draw near to God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them.

## **Hebrews 9:15**

Therefore he is the mediator of a new covenant, so that those who are called may receive the promised eternal inheritance, since a death has occurred that redeems them from the transgressions committed under the first covenant.

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **Message: A Walk Through the Bible - Hebrews**

### **Rejoice, the Lord is King!**

Rejoice, the Lord is King! Your Lord and King adore!  
Rejoice, give thanks, and sing, and triumph evermore:  
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

The Lord, our Savior, reigns, the God of truth and love;  
When He had purged our stains, He took His seat above:  
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

His kingdom cannot fail, He rules o'er earth and heaven;  
The keys of death and hell are to our Jesus given:  
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

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## **God's Blessing**

### **Rejoice, the Lord is King!**

Rejoice in glorious hope! Our Lord the judge shall come  
And take His servants up to their eternal home:  
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

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