

First Christian Reformed Church
Lynden, Washington
March 22, 2026 ~ 6:00 p.m. Worship Service

Call to Worship: *Psalm 29:1-2*

*Ascribe to the Lord, O heavenly beings, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.
Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name; worship the Lord in the splendor of holiness.*

Opening Prayer

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee.
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore Thee,
Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
Cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee,
Who wert and art and ever-more shalt be.

Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide Thee,
Though the eye made blind by sin Thy glory may not see.
Only Thou art holy; there is none beside Thee,
Perfect in power, in love, in purity.

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My Jesus, I Love Thee

My Jesus, I love Thee, I know Thou art mine;
For Thee all the follies of sin I resign;
My gracious Redeemer, my Savior art Thou:
If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

I love Thee because Thou hast first loved me,
And purchased my pardon on Calvary's tree;
I love Thee for wearing the thorns on Thy brow:
If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

I'll love Thee in life, I will love Thee in death,
And praise Thee as long as Thou lendest me breath;
And say when the death-dew lies cold on my brow:
If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

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Thou Art Worthy

Thou art worthy, Thou art worthy, Thou art worthy, O Lord,
To receive glory, glory and honor, glory and honor and pow'r.
For Thou hast created, hast all things created; Thou hast created all things.
And for Thy pleasure they are created; for Thou art worthy, O Lord.

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Profession of Faith: *from Psalm 25:1-2; 18:1-3*

**To You, O Lord, I lift up my soul; in You I trust, O my God.
Guide me in Your truth and teach me,
for You are God, my Savior, and my hope is in You all day long.
I love You, O Lord, my strength.
The Lord is my rock, my fortress and my deliverer;
He is my shield and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold.
I call to the Lord, who is worthy of praise, and I am saved from my enemies.**

Offering: Mission and Outreach Fund

Evening Prayer

Meekness and Majesty

Meekness and majesty, manhood and Deity, in perfect harmony, the Man who is God.
Lord of eternity, dwells in humanity; kneels in humility and washes our feet.
O what a mystery, meekness and majesty; bow down and worship, for this is your God.

Father's pure radiance perfect in innocence, yet learns obedience to death on a cross,
Suffering to give us life, conquering through sacrifice, and as they crucify prays, "Father forgive."
O what a mystery, meekness and majesty; bow down and worship, for this is your God.

Wisdom unsearchable, God, the invisible; love indestructible in frailty appears.
Lord of infinity, stooping so tenderly; lifts our humanity to the heights of His throne.
O what a mystery, meekness and majesty; bow down and worship, for this is your God.

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Scripture: Genesis 16:1-14

¹ Now Sarai, Abram's wife, had borne him no children. She had a female Egyptian servant whose name was Hagar.
² And Sarai said to Abram, "Behold now, the Lord has prevented me from bearing children. Go in to my servant; it may be that I shall obtain children by her." And Abram listened to the voice of Sarai.
³ So, after Abram had lived ten years in the land of Canaan, Sarai, Abram's wife, took Hagar the Egyptian, her servant, and gave her to Abram her husband as a wife.
⁴ And he went in to Hagar, and she conceived. And when she saw that she had conceived, she looked with contempt on her mistress.
⁵ And Sarai said to Abram, "May the wrong done to me be on you! I gave my servant to your embrace, and when she saw that she had conceived, she looked on me with contempt. May the Lord judge between you and me!"
⁶ But Abram said to Sarai, "Behold, your servant is in your power; do to her as you please." Then Sarai dealt harshly with her, and she fled from her.
⁷ The angel of the Lord found her by a spring of water in the wilderness, the spring on the way to Shur.
⁸ And he said, "Hagar, servant of Sarai, where have you come from and where are you going?" She said, "I am fleeing from my mistress Sarai."
⁹ The angel of the Lord said to her, "Return to your mistress and submit to her."
¹⁰ The angel of the Lord also said to her, "I will surely multiply your offspring so that they cannot be numbered for multitude."
¹¹ And the angel of the Lord said to her, "Behold, you are pregnant and shall bear a son. You shall call his name Ishmael, because the Lord has listened to your affliction."
¹² He shall be a wild donkey of a man, his hand against everyone and everyone's hand against him, and he shall dwell over against all his kinsmen."
¹³ So she called the name of the Lord who spoke to her, "You are a God of seeing," for she said, "Truly here I have seen him who looks after me."
¹⁴ Therefore the well was called Beer-lahai-roi; it lies between Kadesh and Bered.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Message: Following the God Who Sees

Lift High the Cross

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim till all the world adore his sacred name.

Come, Christians, follow where our Savior led, our King victorious, Jesus Christ, our Head.
Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim till all the world adore his sacred name.

O Lord, once lifted on the tree of pain, draw all the world to see you once again.
Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim till all the world adore his sacred name.

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God's Blessing

Lift High the Cross

So shall our song of triumph ever be: praise to the Crucified for victory!
Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim till all the world adore his sacred name.

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