

**First Christian Reformed Church**  
Lynden, Washington  
April 12, 2026 ~ 6:00 p.m. Worship Service

**Opening Prayer**

**King's Men of Song:**

*Come, Thou Almighty King*

*See, What a Morning*

*How Great is Our God* (Please join us in singing the refrain)

Then sings my soul, My Savior God to Thee,

How Great Thou Art, how Great Thou Art.

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How Great Thou Art, how Great Thou Art

***I Know Not Why God's Wondrous Grace***

I know not why God's wondrous grace to me he has made known.

Nor why, unworthy, Christ in love redeemed me for his own.

*Refrain:* But "I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that he is able  
To keep that which I've committed unto him against that day."

I know not how this saving faith to me he did impart,

Nor how believing in his Word wrought peace within my heart. *Refrain*

I know not how the Spirit moves, convincing us of sin,

Revealing Jesus through the Word, creating faith in him. *Refrain*

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**Profession of Faith: Apostles' Creed**

**I believe in God the Father almighty,**

**Maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ,**

**his only begotten Son, our Lord;**

**who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,**

**born of the virgin Mary;**

**suffered under Pontius Pilate;**

**was crucified, dead, and buried;**

**he descended into hell;**

**the third day he rose again from the dead**

**he ascended to heaven,**

**and is seated at the right hand**

**of God the Father almighty;**

**from there he shall come to judge**

**the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit.**

**I believe in a holy catholic church,**

**the communion of saints;**

**the forgiveness of sins;**

**the resurrection of the body;**

**and the life everlasting. Amen.**

***The Church's One Foundation***

The Church's one foundation is Jesus Christ, her Lord;

She is His new creation by water and the Word.

From heaven He came and sought her to be His holy bride;

With His own blood He bought her, and for her life He died.

‘Mid toil and tribulation, and tumult of her war,

She waits the consummation of peace forevermore;

Till with the vision glorious, her longing eyes are blest,

And the great Church victorious shall be the Church at rest.

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**Offering:** Tribe – First CRC High School Ministry

## **Evening Prayer**

**Scripture:** *Job 19:1-29*

<sup>1</sup> *Then Job answered and said:*

<sup>2</sup> *“How long will you torment me  
and break me in pieces with words?*

<sup>3</sup> *These ten times you have cast reproach upon me;  
are you not ashamed to wrong me?*

<sup>4</sup> *And even if it be true that I have erred,  
my error remains with myself.*

<sup>5</sup> *If indeed you magnify yourselves against me  
and make my disgrace an argument against me,*

<sup>6</sup> *know then that God has put me in the wrong  
and closed his net about me.*

<sup>7</sup> *Behold, I cry out, ‘Violence!’ but I am not answered;  
I call for help, but there is no justice.*

<sup>8</sup> *He has walled up my way, so that I cannot pass,  
and he has set darkness upon my paths.*

<sup>9</sup> *He has stripped from me my glory  
and taken the crown from my head.*

<sup>10</sup> *He breaks me down on every side, and I am gone,  
and my hope has he pulled up like a tree.*

<sup>11</sup> *He has kindled his wrath against me  
and counts me as his adversary.*

<sup>12</sup> *His troops come on together;  
they have cast up their siege ramp against me  
and encamp around my tent.*

<sup>13</sup> *“He has put my brothers far from me,  
and those who knew me are wholly estranged from me.*

<sup>14</sup> *My relatives have failed me,  
my close friends have forgotten me.*

<sup>15</sup> *The guests in my house and my maidservants  
count me as a stranger;  
I have become a foreigner in their eyes.*

<sup>16</sup> *I call to my servant, but he gives me no answer;  
I must plead with him with my mouth for mercy.*

<sup>17</sup> *My breath is strange to my wife,  
and I am a stench to the children of my own mother.*

<sup>18</sup> *Even young children despise me;  
when I rise they talk against me.*

<sup>19</sup> *All my intimate friends abhor me,  
and those whom I loved have turned against me.*

<sup>20</sup> *My bones stick to my skin and to my flesh,  
and I have escaped by the skin of my teeth.*

<sup>21</sup> *Have mercy on me, have mercy on me, O you my friends,  
for the hand of God has touched me!*

<sup>22</sup> *Why do you, like God, pursue me?  
Why are you not satisfied with my flesh?*

<sup>23</sup> *“Oh that my words were written!  
Oh that they were inscribed in a book!*

<sup>24</sup> *Oh that with an iron pen and lead  
they were engraved in the rock forever!*

<sup>25</sup> *For I know that my Redeemer lives,  
and at the last he will stand upon the earth.*

<sup>26</sup> *And after my skin has been thus destroyed,  
yet in my flesh I shall see God,*

<sup>27</sup> *whom I shall see for myself,  
and my eyes shall behold, and not another.  
My heart faints within me!*

<sup>28</sup> *If you say, 'How we will pursue him!'  
and, 'The root of the matter is found in him,'*  
<sup>29</sup> *be afraid of the sword,  
for wrath brings the punishment of the sword,  
that you may know there is a judgment."*

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Message:** *Easter in the Old Testament*

**Prayer**

***I Will Sing of My Redeemer***

I will sing of my Redeemer and his wondrous love to me;  
On the cruel cross he suffered, from the curse to set me free.  
Sing, O sing of my Redeemer! With his blood he purchased me;  
On the cross he sealed my pardon, paid the debt, and made me free.

I will tell the wondrous story, how my lost estate to save;  
In His boundless love and mercy, he the ransom freely gave.  
I will praise my dear Redeemer; his triumphant power I'll tell:  
How the victory he give me over sin and death and hell.

I will sing of my Redeemer and his heavenly love for me;  
He from death to life has brought me, Son of God, with him to be.  
Sing, O sing of my Redeemer! With his blood he purchased me;  
On the cross he sealed my pardon, paid the debt, and made me free.

("I Will Sing of My Redeemer", text by Philip P. Bliss, 1876, tune by James McGranahan, 1877, CCLI #358926, Streaming License 20317932)

**King's Men of Song:** *He Will Hold Me Fast*

***By the Sea of Crystal***

By the sea of crystal saints in glory stand,  
Myriads in number, drawn from every land.  
Robed in white apparel, washed in Jesus' blood,  
They now reign in heaven with the Lamb of God.

Out of tribulation, death, and Satan's hand,  
They have been translated at the Lord's command.  
In their hands they're holding palms of victory.  
Hark! the jubilant chorus shouts triumphantly:

"Unto God Almighty, sitting on the throne,  
And the Lamb, victorious, be the praise alone."  
God has wrought salvation; He did wondrous things.  
Who shall not extol thee, holy King of kings!

("By the Sea of Crystal" words by William Kuipers, music by John Vanderhoven © 1933 CRC Publications / Faith Alive Christian Resources CCLI #358926 Streaming ##20317932)

**Benediction**

**King's Men of Song:** *Maranatha*

Pastors: Zac H, Gerald R  
King's Men of Song - Director: Gerald R  
Accompanist: Laura T

Offering will be received for First CRC High School Youth Group (TRIBE) a ministry for 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade students, led by Pastor Zac, Cal B and others from First CRC.

An assistive listening system is available in the sanctuary; to use this system, switch hearing aids to "T".

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

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