

# **April 2026 News & Updates**

## **First Christian Reformed Church**

### **Lynden, Washington**

#### ***Worship Services***

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Join us on Sunday at 10:30 AM and at 6:00 PM. For anyone unable to attend in person, worship services are live streamed on our website. Past services can be viewed on our livestream library on our website.

#### ***Childcare and Education Classes***

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##### **NURSERY**

Nursery is available in the Ed. Building during the 10:30 AM service.

##### **CHILDREN'S CHURCH**

Children's Church is available for children 3 years-3rd grade during the 10:30 AM service. Children begin in the sanctuary and then are dismissed to the Education Building during the service, as indicated on the bulletin.

##### **EDUCATION CLASSES**

Education Classes are done for the season and will resume in the fall.

#### ***Prayer Items***

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**PHASE III BUILDING PROJECT** as we seek God's wisdom, clear leading and sufficient provision for building our future.

##### **REMEMBER OUR CHURCH FAMILY DEALING WITH ONGOING MEDICAL ISSUES**

- Jacob B is on hospice.
- John M is undergoing kidney dialysis three days a week in Bellingham.
- Daryl T as he undergoes cancer treatment.
- Those undergoing ongoing cancer treatment and maintenance.
- Those undergoing rehab at various care facilities: Gert Huisman, Sharon Van Beek
- Members dealing with long term health issues or chronic pain.
- Shut-in members who are struggling with health issues or the effects of aging and their caregivers.

##### **REMEMBER CHURCH FAMILY IN CARE FACILITIES**

- Cascade Christian Home – Amy B
- Christian Health Care Center – Vernon S, Gene V, Ada V
- Lynden Manor – Greta E, Agnes R, Cora S, Lamar V, Ron S
- Meadow Greens – Herm E, Grace H, Perlene H, Shirley R, Lena Marie V
- Orchard Park – Carol Z

##### **FIRST CRC MINISTRY PARTNERS**

- Aaron – Bethany ARP Church
- Ray & Angie – East-West Ministries
- Steve & Sandy – AIM
- Dustin & Melissa – Converge
- Memli & Luiza – Missionaries in Albania
- Julie – Operation Mobilization
- Tim & Charlene – Youth Dynamics
- Charles & Hensel – Resonate Global Mission
- Eric & Penny – PIM
- Mitchell & Rochelle – Envision Mission and Summit House (Lynden Women's Home)
- Gary – Northwest Seafarers Ministry

- Ken & Chris – Wycliffe
- Snehakunja Home – Kidstown International
- Joe - Northwest Hispanic Ministry
- Christian Hope Association
- Lighthouse Mission Ministries

We are blessed to have many missionaries and ministry partners and love to get updates from them. Contact the church office if you would like a copy of any of the following updates:

- Ray & Angie – East-West Ministries International
- Julie – Operation Mobilization
- Charles & Hensel – Resonate Global Mission
- Ken & Chris – Wycliffe Bible Translators
- Whatcom County Pregnancy Clinic

### ***Dates to Remember***

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- Friday, April 3, 7:00 PM - Good Friday Service - Celebration of the Lord's Supper
- Sunday, April 5, 10:30 AM - Easter Sunday Worship
- Sunday, April 5, 6:00 PM - Afterglow Service at Sumas CRC
- April 6 - 10 - Spring Break for Local Schools
- Monday, April 6, 7:00 PM - Forged@First Game Night at the U
- Wednesday, April 8, 10:00 AM–4:00 PM - Hymn Sing
- Sunday, April 12, 10:30 AM - Youth Sunday
- Sunday, April 12, 6:00 PM - Kings Men of Song
- April 17-18 - Cadet CCC Camp in Sumas
- Sunday, April 19, 6:00 PM - Prayer Service for Elections
- Friday, April 24, 7:00–9:00 PM - "Strengthening Marriage Through the Decades" for couples, led by Pastor Timothy B
- Saturday, April 25, 8:00-11:00 AM - Men's Breakfast led by Pastor Timothy B
- Sunday, April 26, 10:30 AM - Guest Pastor, Timothy B
- Sunday, May 3, 10:30 AM - GLOW Sunday
- Sunday, May 3, 10:30 AM - Council Elections
- Sunday, May 10 - Mother's Day
- Thursday, May 14 - Ascension Day
- Sunday, May 25 - Pentecost Sunday - Celebration of the Lord's Supper
- Monday, May 25 - Memorial Day - Offices and Buildings Closed

### ***Tithes and Offering***

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#### **TENTATIVE APRIL OFFERINGS**

- **April 3 (Good Friday):** No Offering
- **April 5:** Christian School Tuition Assistance
- **April 12:** TRIBE - Youth Sunday
- **April 19:** Lighthouse Mission
- **April 26:** Building the Future

Any tithes or offering can be given the following ways:

- Placed in the
- offering bag on Sunday
- Mailed to the church office
- Dropped off at church during the week
- Electronically through a bill pay service or with Tithe.ly

You can give to the operating fund of the church at any time; there is no scheduled offering time for this fund. *Use the blue envelopes or write "Operating Fund" on the check memo line.*

## ***Council News***

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- Jonathan's internship has been extended two month, through July.
- Council Nominees have been finalized.
  - Elders: Neil M, Brad T, Galen L, Brent W, Wes V, Jacob A, Lloyd F
  - Deacons: Mike S, Ryan E, Will B, Matt H, Randy H, Sam K, Randy L, Paul A
- Tim & Mary Lee B will be visiting April 23-27. Watch for special events that weekend.
- Cadets have been approved to take the van to the International Camporee, in Alberta, in July.

## ***Bible Resources***

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### **HIS WORD IN OUR HEARTS**

As we strive to commit scripture to memory, our monthly verse for April is Romans 15:4. You are encouraged to print out the verse or it as your phone or computer wallpaper. Printed copies are available on the Welcome Center or from the church office.

### **BIBLE READING PLAN**

For 2026, we will be reading through the New Testament chronologically. You are encouraged to use the Bible reading personally or as a family, and feel free to share this plan with others! Copies are available on the Welcome Center or from the church office.

### **DAILY DEVOTIONS**

*TODAY* is a daily devotional produced through ReFrame Ministries. Copies, including large print, are available on the Welcome Center.

*TABLETALK* magazine is daily devotional and Bible study resource. A few copies each month are available on the Welcome Center.

### **PRAYING THROUGH THE MONTH**

The Christian Reformed Church of North America provides a daily prayer guide with prayer requests for ministries and their needs. Request a printed copy from the church office.

## ***Church Information***

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### **OFFICE HOURS**

Monday - Friday 8:30 AM - 12:30 PM

### **OFFICE CONTACT INFORMATION**

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