

First Christian Reformed Church
Lynden, Washington
April 26, 2026 ~ 10:30 a.m. Worship Service

Call to Worship: *Revelation 15:3-4*

“Great and amazing are your deeds, O Lord God the Almighty!

Just and true are your ways, O King of the nations!

Who will not fear, O Lord, and glorify your name?

For you alone are holy.

***All nations will come and worship you,
for your righteous acts have been revealed.”***

God’s Greeting

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! Lord God Almighty!

All Thy works shall praise Thy name in earth and sky and sea;

Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!

God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

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The Solid Rock

My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus’ blood and righteousness;

I dare not trust the sweetest frame, but wholly lean on Jesus’ name.

Refrain: On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand;

All other ground is sinking sand,

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His oath, His covenant, His blood, support me in the whelming flood;

When all around my soul gives way, He then is all my hope and stay. *Refrain*

When He shall come with trumpet sound, O may I then in Him be found;

Dressed in His righteousness alone, faultless to stand before the throne. *Refrain*

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Blessed Be Your Name

Blessed be your name in the land that is plentiful,

Where your streams of abundance flow; blessed be your name.

Blessed be your name when I’m found in the desert place.

Though I walk through the wilderness, blessed be your name.

Refrain: Every blessing you pour out, I’ll turn back to praise.

When the darkness closes in, Lord, still I will say,

“Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be your name.

Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be your glorious name.”

Blessed be your name when the sun’s shining down on me,

When the world’s “all as it should be”; blessed be your name.

Blessed be your name on the road marked with suffering;

Though there’s pain in the offering, blessed be your name. *Refrain*

You give and take away, You give and take away.

My heart will choose to say, “Lord, blessed be your name.”

Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be your name.

Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be your glorious name.”

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Call to Confession: *Psalm 51:1-4*

*Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love;
according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions.
Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin!
For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me.
Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight,
so that you may be justified in your words and blameless in your judgment.*

Prayer of Confession

Assurance: *Colossians 3:1-4*

If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

Who You Say I Am

Who am I that the highest King would welcome me?
I was lost but He brought me in, Oh, His love for me. Oh, His love for me.
Who the Son sets free, oh, is free indeed. I'm a child of God, yes, I am.

Free at last, he has ransomed me. His grace runs deep.
While I was a slave to sin, Jesus died for me. Yes, He died for me.
In my Father's house there's a place for me. I'm a child of God, yes, I am.

I am chosen, not forsaken; I am who You say I am.
You are for me, not against me; I am who You say I am.
I am chosen, not forsaken; I am who You say I am.
You are for me, not against me; I am who You say I am. I am who You say I am.

Who the Son sets free, oh, is free indeed. I'm a child of God, yes, I am.
In my Father's house there's a place for me. I'm a child of God, yes, I am.

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Offertory Prayer and Offering: Building the Future

Congregational Prayer

Scripture: *Romans 15:7-13*

⁷ *Therefore welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God.*
⁸ *For I tell you that Christ became a servant to the circumcised to show God's truthfulness, in order to confirm the promises given to the patriarchs, ⁹ and in order that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written, "Therefore I will praise you among the Gentiles, and sing to your name."
¹⁰ And again it says, "Rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people."
¹¹ And again, "Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles, and let all the peoples extol him."
¹² And again Isaiah says, "The root of Jesse will come, even he who arises to rule the Gentiles; in him will the Gentiles hope."
¹³ *May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.**

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Message: *Abound in Hope*

Living Hope

How great the chasm that lay between us; how high the mountain I could not climb.
In desperation, I turned to heaven, and spoke your name into the night.
Then through the darkness, Your loving kindness, tore through the shadows of my soul.
The work is finished, the end is written, Jesus Christ, my living hope.

Who could imagine so great a mercy? What heart could fathom such boundless grace?
The God of ages stepped down from glory, to wear my sin and bear my shame.
The cross has spoken, I am forgiven. The king of kings calls me His own.
Beautiful Savior, I'm yours forever, Jesus Christ, my living hope.

Refrain: Hallelujah, praise the one who set me free.
Hallelujah, death has lost its grip on me.
You have broken every chain, there's salvation in your name,
Jesus Christ, my living hope.

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God's Blessing

Living Hope

Then came the morning that sealed the promise, Your buried body began to breathe.
Out of the silence, the Roaring Lion, declared the grave has no claim on me.
Then came the morning that sealed the promise, Your buried body began to breathe.
Out of the silence, the Roaring Lion, declared the grave has no claim on me.
Jesus, yours is the victory!

Refrain: Hallelujah, praise the one who set me free.
Hallelujah, death has lost its grip on me.
You have broken every chain, there's salvation in your name,
Jesus Christ, my living hope.

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Offering will be received for First CRC Building the Future. This fund is always in place to fund future building projects of our church.

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 to the Education Building during the worship service.

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

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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