

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

Call to Worship: *Psalm 150:1-2*

*Praise the Lord! Praise God in his sanctuary; praise him in his mighty heavens!
Praise him for his mighty deeds; praise him according to his excellent greatness!*

God's Greeting

Bless the Lord, O My Soul

Refrain: Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul, worship His holy name.
Sing like never before, O my soul, I worship your holy name.

The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning. It's time to sing your song again.
Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me, let me be singing when the evening comes. *Refrain*

You're rich in love and you're slow to anger. Your name is great and your heart is kind.
For all your goodness, I will keep on singing, ten thousand reasons for my heart to find. *Refrain*

And on that day when my strength is failing, the end draws near and my time has come,
Soon my soul will sing your praise unending, ten thousand years and then forever more. *Refrain*

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Our Church

Here we are now, a crowd assembled, peace like incense fills the air.
Men and women, the sounds of children, young and old have come to share.
In the beauty of this place, we have gathered by His grace.

Refrain: This is our church, our family of faith, on this Holy ground we're all the same.
And we are the joy of God on display whenever we meet in Jesus' Name.
Whenever we meet in Jesus' Name.

Walls are falling, hearts disarming as His presence ushers in.
Waves of mercy fill the building as His Spirit stirs within.
In the beauty of this place, we have gathered by His grace. *Refrain*

From the suburbs to the streets we have gathered to receive.
Some with plenty, some with need, cause we are a family, His family. *Refrain*

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Nothing But the Blood

What can wash away my sin? Nothing but the blood of Jesus;
What can make me whole again? Nothing but the blood of Jesus.
O! precious is the flow that makes me white as snow;
No other fount I know, nothing but the blood of Jesus.

This is all my hope and peace –nothing but the blood of Jesus;
This is all my righteousness –nothing but the blood of Jesus.
O! precious is the flow that makes me white as snow;
No other fount I know, nothing but the blood of Jesus.

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Call to Confession: *Psalm 51:1-2*

*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!*

Prayer of Confession

Assurance: *Proverbs 2:7-8*

*He stores up sound wisdom for the upright; he is a shield to those who walk in integrity,
Guarding the paths of justice and watching over the way of his saints.*

God of Grace

God of grace, amazing wonder, irresistible and free;
Oh, the miracle of mercy, Jesus reaches down to me.
God of grace, I stand in wonder, as my God restores my soul.
His own blood has paid my ransom; awesome cost to make me whole.

God of grace, who loved and knew me long before the world began;
Sent my Savior down from heaven; perfect God and perfect man.
God of grace, I trust in Jesus; I'm accepted as His own.
Every day new grace sustains me, as I lean on Him alone.

God of grace, I stand astounded, cleansed forgiven and secure.
All my fears are now confounded and my hope is ever sure.
God of grace, now crowned in glory, where one day I'll see Your face;
And forever I'll adore You in Your everlasting grace.

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Offertory Prayer and Offering: Benevolence

Congregational Prayer

Ancient Words

Holy words long preserved for our walk in this world,
They resound with God's own heart. O, let the ancient words impart.
Words of life, words of hope, give us strength, help us cope.
In this world where'er we roam, ancient words will guide us home.
Ancient words, ever true, changing me and changing you;
We have come with open hearts, O, let the ancient words impart.

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Scripture: Proverbs 3:5-8

⁵ *Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding.*

⁶ *In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths.*

⁷ *Be not wise in your own eyes; fear the Lord, and turn away from evil.*

⁸ *It will be healing to your flesh and refreshment to your bones.*

Proverbs 9:10

¹⁰ *The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom, and the knowledge of the Holy One is insight.*

Proverbs 22:3

³ *The prudent sees danger and hides himself, but the simple go on and suffer for it.*

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Message: Wisdom for Living Well From Proverbs

May the Mind of Christ My Savior

May the mind of Christ, my Savior, live in me from day to day,
By His love and power controlling all I do and say.

May the love of Jesus fill me as the waters fill the sea.
Him exalting, self abasing: this is victory.

May we run the race before us, strong and brave to face the foe,
Looking only unto Jesus as we onward go.

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God's Blessing

Lord, Dismiss Us With Your Blessing

Thanks we give and adoration for Your gospel's joyful sound.
May the fruits of Your salvation in our hearts and lives abound.
Ever faithful, ever faithful to the truth may we be found.

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Music: Ken Q, Lisa Q

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