

First Christian Reformed Church
Lynden, Washington
August 2, 2026 ~ 10:30 a.m. Worship Service

Call to Worship: *Psalm 67:5-7*

*Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you!
The earth has yielded its increase; God, our God, shall bless us.
God shall bless us; let all the ends of the earth fear him!*

God's Greeting

Come, All You People, Praise Our God

Come, all you people, praise our God and tell his glorious works abroad, who holds our souls in life;
He never lets our feet be moved and, though our faith has often proved, upholds us in the strife.

We come with offerings to his house, and here we pay the solemn vows we uttered in distress;
To him our all we dedicate, to him we wholly consecrate the lives his mercies bless.

Come, listen, all who fear the Lord, while I with grateful heart record what God has done for me;
I cried to him in deep distress, and now his wondrous grace I bless, for he has set me free.

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Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

Immortal, invisible, God only wise, in light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days; Almighty, victorious, Your great name we praise.

Life-giving Creator of both great and small, of all life the maker, the true life of all;
We blossom, then wither like leaves on the tree, but you are forever, who was and will be.

We worship before you, great Father of light, while angels adore you, all veiling their sight;
Our praises we render, O Father, to you whom only the splendor of light hides from view.

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Hallelujah for the Cross

Up to the hill of Calvary, my Savior went courageously.
And there He bled and died for me, hallelujah for the cross.
And on the day the world was changed, a final perfect Lamb was slain.
Let earth and heaven now proclaim, hallelujah for the cross.

Refrain: Hallelujah for the war He fought; love has won, death has lost.
Hallelujah for the souls He bought; hallelujah for the cross.

What good I've done could never save, my debt too great for deeds to pay.
But God, my Savior made a way, hallelujah for the cross.
A slave to sin, my life was bound, but all my chains fell to the ground
When Jesus' blood came flowing down; hallelujah for the cross. *Refrain*

And when I breathe my final breath, I'll have no need to fear that rest.
This hope will guide me into death; hallelujah for the cross. *Refrain*

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Call to Confession: *Ephesians 4:29-32*

Let no corrupting talk come out of your mouths, but only such as is good for building up, as fits the occasion, that it may give grace to those who hear. And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. Let all bitterness and wrath and anger and clamor and slander be put away from you, along with all malice. Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you.

Prayer of Confession

Assurance: *1 Peter 1:3*

*Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ!
According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.*

His Mercy Is More

What love could remember no wrongs we have done?
Omniscient, all-knowing, He counts not their sum.
Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore,
Our sins, they are many, His mercy is more.

What patience would wait as we constantly roam?
What Father, so tender, is calling us home?
He welcomes the weakest, the vilest, the poor.
Our sins, they are many, His mercy is more.

Refrain: Praise the Lord, His mercy is more.
Stronger than darkness, new every morn.
Our sins, they are many, His mercy is more.

What riches of kindness He lavished on us.
His blood was the payment His life was the cost.
We stood 'neath a debt we could never afford.
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more. *Refrain*

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Offertory Prayer and Offering: Christian School Tuition Assistance

Offertory Ministry of Music: *As The Deer*

Congregational Prayer

Scripture:

Proverbs 18:21

Death and life are in the power of the tongue, and those who love it will eat its fruits.

Proverbs 10:11

The mouth of the righteous is a fountain of life, but the mouth of the wicked conceals violence.

Proverbs 12:18

There is one whose rash words are like sword thrusts, but the tongue of the wise brings healing.

Proverbs 13:3

Whoever guards his mouth preserves his life; he who opens wide his lips comes to ruin.

Proverbs 15:4

A gentle tongue is a tree of life, but perverseness in it breaks the spirit.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Message: *Wisdom for Watching Our Mouth!*

Take My Life and Let It Be Consecrated

Take my life and let it be consecrated Lord, to thee.

Take my moments and my days; let them flow in endless praise, let them flow in endless praise.

Take my lips and let them be filled with messages from Thee;

Take my silver and my gold; not a mite would I withhold; not a mite would I withhold.

Take my love; my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure store.

Take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for thee; ever, only, all for thee.

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God's Blessing

Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;

Praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

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