

First Christian Reformed Church
Lynden, Washington
August 23, 2026 ~ 6:00 p.m. Worship Service

Call to Worship: Psalm 145:3-8

*Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised,
and his greatness is unsearchable.
One generation shall commend your works to another,
and shall declare your mighty acts.
**On the glorious splendor of your majesty,
and on your wondrous works, I will meditate.**
**They shall speak of the might of your awesome deeds,
and I will declare your greatness.**
*They shall pour forth the fame of your abundant goodness
and shall sing aloud of your righteousness.
The LORD is gracious and merciful,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.**

Opening Prayer

This is the Day

This is the day, this is the day
That the Lord has made, that the Lord has made;
We will rejoice, we will rejoice
And be glad in it, and be glad in it.
This is the day that the Lord has made,
We will rejoice and be glad in it;
This is the day, this is the day that the Lord has made.

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Jesus Loves Me, This I Know

Jesus loves me! This I know, for the Bible tells me so;
Little ones to Him belong; they are weak, but He is strong.

Refrain: Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me!
The Bible tells me so.

Jesus loves me! This I know, as He loved so long ago,
Taking children on His knee, saying, "Let them come to Me." *Refrain*

Jesus loves me! He who died heaven's gate to open wide;
He will wash away my sin, let His little child come in. *Refrain*

Jesus loves me! He will stay close beside me all the way;
Thou hast bled and died for me, I will henceforth live for Thee. *Refrain*

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Jesus Loves the Little Children

Jesus loves the little children, all the children of the world.
Red and yellow, black and white they are precious in His sight
Jesus loves the little children of the world.

Jesus died for all the children, all the children of the world.
Red and yellow, black and white they are precious in His sight
Jesus died for all the children of the world.

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Scripture: *Proverbs 8:17*

¹⁷ *I love those who love me,
and those who seek me diligently find me.*

Proverbs 3:19-20

¹⁹ *The Lord by wisdom founded the earth;
by understanding he established the heavens;*
²⁰ *by his knowledge the deeps broke open,
and the clouds drop down the dew.*

Proverbs 30:4

⁴ *Who has ascended to heaven and come down?
Who has gathered the wind in his fists?
Who has wrapped up the waters in a garment?
Who has established all the ends of the earth?
What is his name, and what is his son's name?
Surely you know!*

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Meditation: *Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder*

The Wonder of It All

There's a wonder of sunset at evening,
The wonder as sunrise I see;
But the wonder of wonders that thrills my soul
Is the wonder that God loves me.

Refrain: O, the wonder of it all! The wonder of it all!
Just to think that God loves me.
O the wonder of it all! The wonder of it all!
Just to think that God loves me.

There's a wonder of springtime and harvest,
The sky, the stars, the sun;
But the wonder of wonders that thrills my soul
Is a wonder that's only begun. *Refrain*

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Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

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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God's Blessing

Go, My Children, With My Blessing

Go, my children, with my blessing, never alone.
Waking, sleeping, I am with you; you are my own.
In my love's baptismal river I have made you mine forever.
Go, my children, with my blessing, you are my own.

I, the Lord, will bless and keep you and give you peace;
I, the Lord, will smile upon you and give you peace;
I, the Lord, will be your Father, Savior, Comforter and Brother.
Go, my children, I will keep you and give you peace.

Pastors: Zac H, Robert W

Music: Nancy Z

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

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