

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

Presentation of Bibles to the 4th Graders

Call to Worship: *Psalm 145:1-3*

*I will extol you, my God and King, and bless your name forever and ever.
Every day I will bless you and praise your name forever and ever.
Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised, and his greatness is unsearchable.*

God's Greeting

Great Is the Lord

Great is the Lord, He is holy and just; by His power we trust in His love.
Great is the Lord, He is faithful and true; by His mercy He proves He is love.

Great is the Lord, and worthy of glory! Great is the Lord, and worthy of praise!
Great is the Lord! Now lift up your voice, now lift up your voice: Great is the Lord! Great is the Lord!

Great are You, Lord, and worthy of glory! Great are You, Lord, and worthy of praise!
Great are You, Lord! I lift up my voice, I lift up my voice: Great are You, Lord! Great are You, Lord!

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Thou Art Worthy

Thou art worthy, Thou art worthy, Thou art worthy, O Lord,
To receive glory, glory and honor, glory and honor and pow'r.
For Thou hast created, hast all things created; Thou hast created all things.
And for Thy pleasure they are created; for Thou art worthy, O Lord.

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We Worship and Adore You

We worship and adore You, bowing down before you,
Songs of praises singing, hallelujahs ringing.
Hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah! Amen.

We worship and adore You, bowing down before you,
Songs of praises singing, hallelujahs ringing.
Hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah! Amen.

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Call to Confession: *Proverbs 28:13*

Whoever conceals his transgressions will not prosper, but he who confesses and forsakes them will obtain mercy.

Prayer of Confession

Assurance: *1 John 2:1-2*

My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

He Will Hold Me Fast

When I fear my faith will fail, Christ will hold me fast;
When the tempter would prevail, He will hold me fast.
I could never keep my hold through life's fearful path;
For my love is often cold; He must hold me fast.

Refrain: He will hold me fast, He will hold me fast;
For my Savior loves me so, He will hold me fast.

Those He saves are His delight, Christ will hold me fast;
Precious in His holy sight, He will hold me fast.
He'll not let my soul be lost; His Promises shall last;
Bought by Him at such a cost; He will hold me fast. *Refrain*

For my life He bled and died, Christ will hold me fast;
Justice has been satisfied; He will hold me fast.
Raised with Him to endless life, He will hold me fast
Till our faith is turned to sight, when He comes at last! *Refrain*

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Offertory Prayer and Offering: Dustin & Melissa, Converge

Congregational Prayer

Scripture: *Proverbs 1:10*

¹⁰ *My son, if sinners entice you, do not consent.*

Proverbs 4:14-15

¹⁴ *Do not enter the path of the wicked, and do not walk in the way of the evil.*

¹⁵ *Avoid it; do not go on it; turn away from it and pass on.*

Proverbs 14:16

¹⁶ *One who is wise is cautious and turns away from evil, but a fool is reckless and careless.*

Proverbs 16:17-18

¹⁷ *The highway of the upright turns aside from evil; whoever guards his way preserves his life.*

¹⁸ *Pride goes before destruction, and a haughty spirit before a fall.*

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 Saying No to Temptation, II*

Christ Our Hope in Life and Death

What is our hope in life and death? Christ alone, Christ alone.

What is our only confidence? That our souls to Him belong.

Who holds our days within His hand? What comes, apart from His command?

And what will keep us to the end? The love of Christ, in which we stand.

Refrain: O sing hallelujah! Our hope springs eternal;

O sing hallelujah! Now and ever we confess Christ our hope in life and death.

What truth can calm the troubled soul? God is good, God is good.

Where is His grace and goodness known? In our great Redeemer's blood.

Who holds our faith when fears arise? Who stands above the stormy trial?

Who sends the waves that bring us nigh unto the shore, the rock of Christ? *Refrain*

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God's Blessing

Christ Our Hope in Life and Death

Unto the grave, what will we sing? "Christ, He lives; Christ, He lives!"

And what reward will heaven bring? Everlasting life with Him.

There we will rise to meet the Lord, then sin and death will be destroyed,

And we will feast in endless joy, when Christ is ours forevermore.

Refrain: O sing hallelujah! Our hope springs eternal;

O sing hallelujah! Now and ever we confess Christ our hope in life and death.

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Pastors: Zac H, Robert W

Prayer: Randy H, Wes V

Music: Brian K, Ken Q, Lisa Q

Offering will be received for Dustin & Melissa, serving in Thailand with Converge to train and mobilize indigenous leaders to join them in sharing the Gospel.

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 during the worship service.

Worship services are also broadcast live in the 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.