

First Christian Reformed Church

Lynden, Washington

Announcements for September 27, 2026

WORSHIP SERVICES

September 27 - 10:30 AM

Preaching - Robert W

Proverbs 11:2; 16:18-19; 18:12; 27:2; 29:23

"Wisdom for Killing Pride"

September 27 - 6:00 PM at Third CRC

Joint Worship Service of sister Christian Reformed Churches

Preaching - Rev. Joel V

October 4- 10:30 AM

Preaching - Robert W

Proverbs 12:1, 15; 13:18, 15:22, 31-32; 19:20

"Wisdom for Seeking Counsel and Receiving Corrections"

October 4 - 6:00 PM

Preaching – Robert W

II Thessalonians 1:1-4, 6-7, 10-12; 2:13-15; 3:11-13

"A Walk Through the Bible - II Thessalonians"

- **Nursery** is available for children during the morning service in the Ed. Building.
- **After the Service**, join us for a time of fellowship on the lawn or in the basement.
- **Join us online**, services can be streamed at www.firstcrlcynden.org.

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERING SCHEDULE

- **September 27: Memli & Luiza** are missionaries in Albania serving with Disciples of Jesus Church. They have been called by God to plant churches among the unreached Muslim villages in southern Albania. For more information, talk to Pastor Robert.
- **October 4 AM: Christian School Tuition Assistance**, a fund used to help cover tuition cost of First church families who send their children to Christian schools.
- **October 4 PM (at Third CRC): World Renew** for Nepal flood relief. For more information visit www.worldrenew.org.

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Any tithes or offering can be given the following ways:

- Placed in the offering bag on Sunday
- Mailed to the church office
- Dropped off at church during the week
- Electronically through a bill pay service

You can give to the operating fund of the church at any time; there is no scheduled offering time for this fund. *Please use the blue envelopes or write "Operating Fund" on the memo line.*

*** The deacons request that all cash and checks be folded as little as possible. Knots and other folding often result in tears when counting. Any checks received that are not in a simple fold will be discarded. Thank you for your assistance with this.*

PRAYER AND PRAISE

THANK YOU

- We would like to express our deep appreciation to our brothers and sisters in Christ at First CRC for all your kind words, thoughts, cards, prayers and other expressions of support during our time of sorrow in the recent death of Joanne's brother, Hank, in Arizona. May God bless each of you for remembering us during this difficult time. ~ Joanne & Larry K

PRAYER ITEMS

- **Sharon B** is struggling with double vision.
- **Linda D** is recovering at home from shoulder replacement surgery.
- **Ken H** is home after being in the hospital to have a few stents put in.
- **Wayne & Nicki G** are in Scottsdale, Arizona, at Envita Medical Center for three months of cancer treatment.
- **Jeff M** is recovering after a fall on vacation.
- **Lori S** is recovering from lumpectomy surgery to remove a breast cancer tumor.
- **Jonathan & Cynthia UI** are getting settled into Cincinnati and are now receiving care for their unborn son, Sawyer, at Cincinnati Children's Hospital. We praise God that Cynthia's sciatic pain has diminished significantly. Be in prayer for all the upcoming medical appointments, figuring out medical insurance, and for Jonathan, Cynthia and Timothy as they adjust to new surroundings.
- **Gene V** as he continues with hospice care.
- **Lillian V** asks for prayers as she begins four weeks of infusion to treat lymphoma.
- **Jerry Z** has started another round of chemo this week. Pray that it goes well and without complications.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

JOINT WORSHIP SERVICE - SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

This Sunday, September 27, the evening service will be a joint service of our sister CRC congregations at 6:00 PM at Third CRC. Rev. Joel V, our denomination's first director of ecclesiastical governance, will bring the Word of God. Refreshments following. An offering will be received for World Renew – Nepal Flood Relief.

REMINDER FOR PARENTS

Remember that Christian School Tuition Assistance forms are due by September 30. ***We ask that all parents of school age children turn in these forms, even if you do not plan on receiving assistance.*** Forms can be turned into the office mailbox (bottom box near the restroom) or to the church office during office hours.

MARRIAGE CONFERENCE

FamilyLife's *Weekend to Remember* is a two-and-a-half-day marriage getaway designed to help you nurture and grow your relationship based on God's design. You'll listen to engaging talks by married couples who teach practical, biblically centered concepts, engage in alone time through one-on-one couples projects, and leave the weekend with the tools you need to continue to grow in communication and intimacy with your spouse. This conference will be hosted at Semiahmoo Resort on October 23-25. There is currently a buy-one-get-one discount, and there is an additional discount by using group code MandNVanderKooi. Pamphlets are located in the Welcome Center.

FIRST CRC MINISTRY NEWS

EDUCATION HOUR STARTS ON SEPTEMBER 20

Education Classes begin on Sunday, September 20 at 9:30 AM, unless otherwise noted. If you cannot be at the first class, please feel free to join any of these at any time!

ADULTS

- ***How the Nations Rage by Jonathan Leeman***

Led by Brian V in the Church Basement

Starting September 27, 2026, but anyone is welcome to join at any time.

This will be a time to think critically about how politics, church and government interact with each other. We'll be exploring how Christians can think biblically about our words, tweets and other interactions in the public square, and how we can honor Christ in that sphere.

- ***Pray for Our Community***

Led by Pastor Zac H in Pastor Zac's Office

Year-round, anyone is welcome to join at any time.

Join us as we gather to pray for First CRC, our church family and for the Lynden community.

CHILDREN

- **Infants – Kindergarten:** Childcare available in the Education Building
- **1st grade - 3rd grade:** Meets in the Education Building
- **4th grade – 5th grade:** Meets in the Education Building
- **6th grade – 8th grade:** Meets in the Education Building
- **9th grade – 12th grade:** Meets in the Loft

LIFE GROUPS AT FIRST CRC

You are invited to share this opportunity to grow in faith with others. Be thinking and praying about what kind of group you would enjoy. There are a variety of LIFE groups available.

Sign up by contacting the church office or see the LIFE Group brochure in your mailbox.

DINNER'S 8

Dinner's 8 is a way to connect and get to know other people from our church family! Groups of 8 people....singles or couples of any age....meet and share a meal together 4 times during the fall and winter (schedule determined by members) at their homes, church, or some other place. Sign up now at the kiosk or contact Marilyn M or the church office.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

CADETS (1ST-8TH GRADE BOYS MINISTRY)

Join us on Monday, September 28 for our Cadet meeting in the Church Basement. For more information about Cadets, contact Brian S.

MOMS@FIRST

We will meet on Tuesday, September 29 from 9:30-11:00 AM in the Loft. For more information, contact Mindy V.

DEACONS

We will meet on Tuesday, September 29 at 7:00 PM in the Council Room.

MEN'S PRAYER GROUP

Join us for prayer on Wednesday mornings at 7:00 AM at Pat's Place. For more information, contact Patrick J.

WORSHIP PLANNING

We will meet on Wednesday, September 30 at 7:00 PM in the Council Room.

TRIBE (HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY)

All high school students are invited to Tribe on Wednesday, September 30 from 7:30-9:00 PM in the Loft. If you have any questions about Tribe Ministry, contact Cal B or Pastor Zac.

FORGED@FIRST (JR. HIGH YOUTH MINISTRY)

Join us for a *** BONUS! *** Forged@First outing on Saturday, October 3. We will be heading to Snohomish to go to Bob's Corn Maze. Please meet at church at 9:30. We will return to church early evening. For more information, contact Jeff & Renee L, Patty R or Pastor Zac.

SERVE 2027 INTEREST MEETING

All high school students and parents interested in learning more about going to a SERVE 2027 worksite, join us for a meeting on Sunday, October 4 following the morning worship service in the Loft. At the meeting we will talk about what going on SERVE will look like and the students will have the opportunity to vote on where to go. For more information, contact Molly H.

BLESS OUR MINISTRY PARTNERS

New Way Ministries

There are several ways you can support the mothers and children at New Way Ministries this fall. Call 360-354-9930 for more information on any of the following:

Volunteers Needed – Daytime

We're looking for volunteers to help in our daycare during weekday, daytime hours. Volunteers can serve once a week or on an as-needed basis.

Volunteers Needed – Tuesday Evenings

We need volunteers to help with our PreK-aged children on one or more Tuesday evenings each month, from 5:30–7:30 p.m.

Donation of Reliable, Used Vehicles

We are looking for donations of reliable, used vehicles for the mothers in our program who are finding work or entering a school program this fall. Transportation can make a tremendous difference as moms work toward greater stability and independence.

Supply Donations Needed

We are completely out of size 6 diapers, which is currently our most-used size. We also are very low on our supply of paper towels.

Thank you for helping meet practical needs and care for the families of New Way Ministries.

CHURCH INFORMATION

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Office Hours: Monday – Friday, 8:30 AM – 12:30 PM