

First Christian Reformed Church

Lynden, Washington

Announcements for October 11, 2026

WORSHIP SERVICES

October 11 - 10:30 AM

Preaching – Robert W
Proverbs 1:8-19; 12:26; 13:20; 29:25
"Wisdom for Resisting Peer Pressure"

October 11 - 6:00 PM

Preaching - Robert W
I Timothy 1:1-4; 3:14-15; 4:12, 16; 6:11-12
"A Walk Through the Bible - I Timothy"

October 18 - 10:30 AM

Preaching – Robert W
Proverbs 3:5-7; 8:34; 16:32; 19:2; 20:22; 21:5
"Wisdom for Waiting"

October 18 - 6:00 PM

Preaching - Zac H
Luke 15:11-32
"The Orphan's House"

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

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERING SCHEDULE

- **October 11: Aaron D** is the pastor of Bethany Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church (formerly Friend of Sinners Reformed Church), a church plant in Nugent's Corner.
- **October 18: Building the Future** is always in place to fund future building projects of our church. For more information, talk to any member of the Phase III Team.
 - **Communion Love Offering: World Renew** for Nepal flood relief. For more information visit www.worldrenew.org.
- **October 25: Forged@First** is a ministry for 7th-8th grade students and is led by Jeff & Renee L, Patty R and Pastor Zac from First CRC. For more information, talk to a leader.

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.*

PRAYER AND PRAISE

SYMPATHY

- Betty S passed away on October 1. A memorial service will be held on Wednesday, October 21 at 2:00 PM at First CRC.
- Gail A's older brother, Gary passed away on Tuesday morning in Kansas. The services are Saturday morning. Gail will not be able to attend due to her recent hospitalization. Please pray for the family.

PRAYER ITEMS

- **Sharon B** is continuing to struggle with double vision.
- **Wayne G** is in the hospital in Phoenix dealing with confusion, headache and weakness. Pray for wisdom for the doctors.
- **Jeannie L** is now out of the hospital and has moved to Rock Hill Health and Rehabilitation in Bellingham.
- **Lori S** is recovering from lumpectomy surgery to remove a breast cancer tumor and will be undergoing radiation.
- **Lillian V** is undergoing infusion to treat lymphoma. Pray that the treatments go well.
- **Mary V** anticipates surgery on Thursday, October 15, at Tacoma General. Pray for the medical staff and for a quick recovery.
- **Jerry Z** received a good report following an appointment with Swedish oncology. The chemo treatment is working and there is no new tumor growth. He will continue on his current treatment plan. Pray that the side effects of the treatment can be managed with an adjustment in medication. Jerry and Meredith praise the Lord with the news of no new tumor growth.

PASTOR APPRECIATION

October is Pastor Appreciation Month! Let's remember Pastor Robert & Phama and Pastor Zac & Alicia in the weeks to come and show our appreciation as an ongoing, day by day, attribute of a healthy, loving church family.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

COLLEGE AND CAREER CARE PACKAGES

WHAT:

The team for the College Care package service project (a.k.a. Young Adult Transitions) needs your help. On October 28th, our Tribe students will create 6 hand-decorated gift boxes for last year's seniors and decorate at least 19 cards for older graduates (four years out of high school).

WHEN:

Would you consider donating towards the gifts, supplies, gift cards, and treats our team has selected by **Sunday, October 25th**? Your contribution will help us bless and connect with these young people and remind them of the church family that loves them!

WHERE:

You can put a check in Laura & Cal Buys' mailbox or Molly H's mailbox (mark it "College Care Package"). THANK YOU! Swandel E & Coni H.

SUBSCRIPTION TO THE BANNER

If you are interested in receiving a free subscription to The Banner, a six issue per year publication from the CRCNA (Christian Reformed Church in North America), please contact the office.

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

The annual Children's Christmas Program is coming soon! Preschool through 5th grade will participate in the choir. On the sign-up form, please indicate if you would like to be part of the cast or help with additional roles as needed.

We also have so many talented youth from elementary through high school! We would love to highlight your musical talents at the beginning of the service. On the sign-up sheet, please let us know what you would like to play or sing.

In addition, we need six or more middle school or high school students to help with our preschool program. You are never too old to be part of the Christmas Program!

An information sheet and sign-up form have been placed in your church boxes. Please complete the form and return it to the box at the Welcome Center as soon as possible. If you have any questions, please contact Jill K. (ChildrensMinistry@firstcrlinden.org, 360-920-6510)

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, feel free to join any of these at any time!

ADULTS

- ***Thinking Biblically About Faith and Politics***

Led by Brian V in the Church Basement

From the book *How the Nations Rage* by Jonathan Leeman

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 our church family and for the Linden 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.

DINNERS 8

Dinners 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 either Marilyn M or the office.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

CADETS (1st -8th GRADE BOYS MINISTRY)

- We will have our annual Bike Day on Saturday, October 10 from 9:00-11:00 AM at Berthusen Park Back Shelter. Please note that helmets are required and bikes should be in good working order! We will ride the trails then go to the front of the park and run relay race; then we will ride the big hill. Looking forward to all the fun!
- Then join us on Monday, October 12 at 7:00 PM for our Cadet meeting in the Church Basement.
- For more information about Cadets or either of these events, contact Brian S.

MOMS@FIRST

We will meet on Tuesday, October 13 from 9:30-11:00 AM in the Loft. For more information, contact Mindy V.

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, October 14 at 7:00 PM in the Council Room.

TRIBE (HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY)

All high school students are invited to Tribe on Wednesday, October 14 from 7:30-9:00 PM in the Loft. If you have any questions about Tribe Ministry, contact Cal B or Pastor Zac (zach@firstcrlinden.org).

MEN'S SATURDAY MORNING STUDY

All young and middle-aged men are invited to join us for coffee, donuts and Bible study on Saturday, October 17 at 7:00 AM at Pat's Place. For more information, contact Patrick J.

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 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.

CHURCH INFORMATION

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