

First Christian Reformed Church
Lynden, Washington
May 10, 2020

CHURCH FAMILY & PRAYER CLOSET

- Birthday greetings to Edie M who will celebrate her 89th birthday on May 16.
- We express our sympathy to the Dan H family with the passing of their father and grandfather, Ralph on May 2 in Michigan after a long battle with cancer.
- **PAT M** is recovering from surgery.
- **JEAN V** is improving from pneumonia and chest pain.
- **DEALING WITH CANCER:** Rick B, John B, Susan B
- **ASSISTED LIVING AND CARE CENTER RESIDENTS:**
Cascade Christian Home – Amy B
Christian Health Care – Jennie B, Mary K, Bennie M, Johanna R, Joanne V
Cordata Court – Diane S
Lynden Manor – Anna G, Edie M, Kristi N, Maggie S, Janet V, Cora V
Meadow Greens – Gussie B, Freda G, Grace H, Nellie H, Andy Vander Veen, Jo Van Vuuren
Orchard Park – Eleanor & Carol Z
Silverado Care – Casey V
- **SHUT-IN MEMBERS:** Pray for our elderly members who are now especially separated from loved ones and assistance.
- **CARE HOME AND MEDICAL FIELD WORKERS:**
St. Joseph's Hospital – Kim E, Kim A, Riley S, Roger P (Construction)
Christian Health Care Center – Julie S, Kari H, Anna E
Meadow Greens – John & Karen M
Stafford House – Janice S
- **ASSOCIATE PASTOR:** Pray for God's will and leading to bring us the man of His choosing.
- **PHASE III BUILDING:** Pray for God's wisdom and clear leading and for His sufficient provision for building our future.
- **SERVE:** Lynden Serve 2020 has been cancelled. Pray for the students and leaders that planned to come and serve here as they deal with the loss of this trip and pray that they would find other ways to serve this summer. Also pray for the Serve Leadership Team as they deal with the emotional loss of Serve this year and as they transition to looking ahead and planning for Serve 2021.
- **MOMS@1st:** Pray for God to nurture a fruitful ministry to all the moms and children involved, especially now as they minister to them remotely.
- **HAUSA PEOPLE GROUP:** Pray that God would open doors for the Gospel to reach the Hausa people in northern Nigeria.
- **FIRST CRC MISSIONARIES:** Jeff & Melissa, Ray & Angie, Steve & Sandy, Gary & Mary, Memli & Luiza, Al & Julie, Tim & Charlene, Eric & Penny, Mitchell & Rochelle, John & Jean, Ken & Chris, Snehakunja Home

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **COUNCIL ELECTION RESULTS:**

Elected to the position of elder:

Neil M, Brad T, and Fred Y.

Elected to the position of deacon:

Matt H, Dave R, and Mike S.

Please remember these men in prayer as they take on these leadership roles. The Council thanks all who allowed their names to be placed in nomination.

- **SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES AVAILABLE ONLINE:**

If you are not able to join us live on Sunday mornings or if you would like to re-watch or share a service, past streamed services are now available to view at either of the following links or on our website:

https://c.streamhoster.com/embed/list/WxsdDd/mc8FckJsixL/OFrOSqTsiln_2_1?preview=1

<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1w17T5LLWjzclKxxAeUx3End3DZCLORyb>

- **CHURCH OFFICE AND BUILDING CLOSURE:**

The church office and church buildings are closed and locked until further notice. The church staff is still here to help our church family in any way we can, just now from our homes! Kara and Susan have complete access to the church computer, phone messages and emails and will be checking voice messages and email several times a day. We will get back to you as soon as possible.

We encourage you to call and leave a message or email if you have any needs or prayer requests.

You can also reach Kara or Susan by phone at home.

Church Phone – 360-354-4560

Church Email – info@firstcrcllynden.org

- **CHURCH EMAIL, WEBSITE, AND SOCIAL MEDIA:**

** With this fluid situation and in an effort to stay connected, the church office will be sending out email updates, link to our live services and bulletins, announcements, church box items, and prayer updates. If you know someone from church not receiving our emails, contact the church office to get them added to our email list. For those without email, the church will mail bulletins and announcements.

** For more information, check out the church website (www.firstcrcllynden.org)! The website has bulletins, announcements, sermons, and lots of other information posted.

** Also remember to check out our Facebook page, First Christian Reformed Church – Lynden, (<https://www.facebook.com/First-Christian-Reformed-Church-Lynden-108591740760643/>) and follow us on Instagram (firstcrcllynden)!

- **CHURCH OFFERINGS AND WAYS TO GIVE:**

May 17 – Ken & Chris V

May 24 – Tribe (High School Youth Group)

May 31 - Benevolence

** Just a reminder that if even though we are not having worship services together, the needs of the church operating expenses remain the same. Titles and offering can be mailed to the church office (1010 Front Street, Lynden, WA 98264), dropped off (place in the mailbox, envelopes will fall to the bottom and be secure), through a bank's bill pay service, or electronically with Tithe.ly (see below).

** The church has teamed up with Tithe.ly to allow giving electronically. You can give by going to the tithe.ly website (www.tithe.ly) or by downloading the Tithe.ly app in your app store (available for both iPhone and Android). Set up an account and link it to either a card (credit or debit) or your bank account. Follow the instructions and you are good to go. There is a fee for using this service (97-99% of your gift goes to First CRC). The deacons will also gladly help you set it up if this is something you want to do.

- **FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE:**

If you or someone in our church family needs financial assistance during this economic crisis, please do not hesitate to contact a deacon. They are ready to help in any way they can.

- **MEETING INFORMATION:**

All church group and ministry team meetings are cancelled or will be held online until further notice. If you have any questions about a meeting, please contact your group leader or chairperson.

- **MOMS@1ST:**

We will have a virtual meeting on Tuesday, May 12 via Zoom. For more information about MOMS@1st, please contact Stephanie R.

- **FIRST FAMILY CAMP – SEPTEMBER 11-13:**

Join us at First Family Camp September 11-13, 2020 at Howard Miller Steelhead Park in Concrete (www.skagitcounty.net/Departments/ParksAndRecreation/parks/howardmiller.htm). This is a great time to be blessed with God's family whether you come for a day, an evening, or stay for the entire weekend! For more information or to make reservations, contact Amy V.