

**First Christian Reformed Church
Lynden, Washington
September 27, 2020**

CHURCH FAMILY & PRAYER CLOSET

- **BIRTHDAY GREETINGS** to Jim A who will celebrate his 80th birthday on September 30.
- **WE EXPRESS OUR SYMPATHY TO THE FOLLOWING:**
 - Blaine & Ardelle K and their family with the passing of their sister-in-law Diane S on September 22.
 - Gene & Linda T, Ryan & Sara B, Freda G and their families with the passing of their mother, grandmother and sister-in-law, Anna G on September 23.
- **THANK YOU** to the congregation for all the prayers, calls, cards and acts of sympathy in the passing of our great-granddaughter, Eleanor Grace H. ~ Ron & Jane S
- **RECOVERING FROM SURGERY:** Lamar V (pacemaker implanted), Jo V (rotator cuff), Phama W (knee replacement)
- **DEALING WITH CANCER:** John B (undergoing chemotherapy), Susan B (undergoing immunotherapy), Rick B (undergoing immunotherapy), Ruth B (determining treatment options), Vernon S (determining treatment options), Pastor Phil K (former First CRC pastor - undergoing immunotherapy), Al M (First CRC missionary – returning to Belgium and undergoing tests to determine effectiveness of his treatments)
- **ASSISTED LIVING AND CARE CENTER RESIDENTS:**
 - Cascade Christian Home – Amy B
 - Christian Health Care – Jennie B, Mary K, Bennie M, Johanna R
 - Lynden Manor – Edie M, Maggie S, Janet V, Cora V, Albert V
 - Meadow Greens – Gussie B, Freda G, Grace H, Nellie H, Andy V, Jo V
 - Orchard Park – Eleanor & Carol Z
 - Shuksan Healthcare – Kristi N
- **SHUT-IN MEMBERS:** Pray for those separated from loved ones and assistance.
- **CARE HOME AND MEDICAL FIELD WORKERS:**
 - St. Joseph's Hospital – Kim E, Kim A, Riley S, Roger P
 - Christian Health Care Center – Julie S, Kari H, Anna E
 - Meadow Greens – John & Karen M, Kirstyn H
 - Stafford House – Janice S
 - Cascade Connections – Tiffany B
- **PHASE III BUILDING:** Pray for God's wisdom and clear leading and for His sufficient provision for building our future.
- **MOMS@1st:** Pray for God to nurture a fruitful ministry to all the moms and children involved.
- **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, Dustin & Melissa, Memli & Luiza, Al & Julie, Tim & Charlene, Eric & Penny, Mitchell & Rochelle, John & Jean, Ken & Chris, Snehakunja Home

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **MOMS@1ST LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS:**

MOMS@1st is seeking ministry workers at Kids@1st to help with childcare every other Tuesdays from 9:30 – 11:00 a.m. If you are willing to help, please contact Sade N or Carla Z.

- **GEMS GIRLS CLUB (1st – 8th GRADE GIRLS MINISTRY):**

GEMS is a ministry to girls in 1st-8th grade, led by women from First CRC who mentor the girls and help them build healthy relationship with each other and with God. This season GEMS will look a little different. The start of the season will be done remotely with the hope of returning to regular meetings as soon as possible. If you know of an elementary or middle school girls who would like to be part of GEMS or if you have any questions about GEMS contact Gail B.

**** GEMS GIRLS AND PARENTS** – Lesson 1 bags are ready! Look for the bag with your name on it in the back of church on Sunday or contact Gail to make arrangements to get your bag.

- **SEAFARERS NEED YOUR HELP:**

Those on the ships currently cannot get off the oil tankers in Ferndale/Cherry Point. The Seafarers Ministry brings encouragement, hope and the love of Christ to those on these ships. You can help in the following ways:

- Pray for the workers away from families for as long as thirteen months
- Prayer for more volunteer ship visitors
- Donate: hats, gloves, toiletries, DVDS, CDs, magazines, funds for Bibles

Donations can be mailed or brought to: Seafarers, 205 S. B.C. Ave. Lynden, WA., 98264

For more information, contact Pastor VH.

MEETING INFORMATION

Everyone is encouraged to wear masks and asked to keep a safe distance at all church meetings.

If you have any questions, please contact your chairperson or group leader.

- **DEACONS:**

The Deacons will be meeting on Monday, September 28 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Room.

- **MOMS@1ST LEADERSHIP TEAM:**

We will meet on Tuesday, September 29 at 9:30 a.m. in the Education Building. For more information, contact Sade N.

- **TRIBE (HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY):**

All high school students are invited to join us on Wednesday, September 30 at 7:30 p.m. in the church basement. For more information, please contact Cal or Laura B or Andrew R.

- **WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDIES:**

Matchless: The Life and Love of Jesus – Thursday afternoons

All women are invited to join *Matchless: The Life and Love of Jesus* Bible study by Angie Smith on Thursdays from 2:00–3:00 p.m. in the Education Building. This 8-week study can be done in-person or remotely. There is also a companion book available for teen girls. Childcare will be provided. Contact Stephanie R with any questions.

Suffering and the Sovereignty of God – Thursday Evenings

A Women's Bible Study on *Suffering and the Sovereignty of God* meets on Thursdays at 7:00 p.m. in the Education Building. We invite you to join us... praying that in our study/sharing together we see God's grace and love more clearly in our lives and that indeed brings us a spirit of hope. For more information, please contact Jeanne J.

- **MEN'S EVENING BIBLE STUDY:**

Men of all ages are invited to study *Job: Finding God in the Midst of Suffering*, starting Thursday, October 15 at 7:00 p.m. in the Church Basement. To sign up, contact Pastor Robert by email or contact the church office.

WORSHIP SERVICES & CHURCH INFORMATION

• **IN-PERSON WORSHIP SERVICES:**

Currently, we are having two identical worship services at 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. on Sundays. During the hour between services, the sanctuary and high touch surfaces are thoroughly cleaned. The congregation has been divided alphabetically for the worship services. If you cannot attend at your assigned time, you are welcome at the other worship service.

September 27	9:00 a.m. service	last names A – K
	11:00 a.m. service	last names L – Z
October 4	9:00 a.m. service	last names A – K
	11:00 a.m. service	last names L – Z

• **STREAMING WORSHIP SERVICES:**

For those that do not feel comfortable or are unable to attend worship, the morning worship service will be live-streamed at **9:00 a.m. and be replayed at 11:00 a.m. using the same live stream link.**

The service can be viewed at the following link or on our website:

https://c.streamhoster.com/embed/media/WxsdDd/mc8FcKJsixL/F9Dehosydd_5?preview=1

Past streamed services are available to view at the following link or on our website:

https://c.streamhoster.com/embed/list/WxsdDd/mc8FcKJsixL/OFrOSgTsiln_2_1?preview=1

• **OFFERINGS AND WAYS TO GIVE:**

Tithes and offering can be given on Sundays in the back of church, mailed to the church office (1010 Front Street, Lynden, WA 98264), dropped off at church (place in the outside mailbox), through a bill pay service, or electronically with Tithe.ly (www.tithe.ly). If you have questions about these options, contact any deacon or the church office. Please note, the deacons prefer to have a check designated to each offering, including different ones for weekly offerings. Thank you!

Upcoming Offerings: September 27 – Benevolence
 October 4 – Christian School Tuition Assistance

• **FLOWERS FOR CHURCH:**

If you have any issues getting your flowers to church, please contact the church office.

Upcoming flower schedule: September 27 – Susan B
 October 4 – Coni H
 October 11 – Janis Z
 October 18 – Nancy Z

• **CHURCH OFFICE INFORMATION:**

Office Hours Monday – Friday 9:00 am – 12:00 p.m.
Office Phone 360-354-4560 (For all office staff)
Church Email info@firstcrcllynden.org
Church Website www.firstcrcllynden.org
Church Facebook Page First Christian Reformed Church – Lynden
 (<https://www.facebook.com/First-Christian-Reformed-Church-Lynden-108591740760643/>)
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