

First Christian Reformed Church  
Lynden, Washington  
January 10, 2021

**Call to Worship:** *1 Chronicles 6:8, 34; 29:13*

*Give thanks to the LORD; call upon his name;  
make known his deeds among the peoples!  
Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;  
for his steadfast love endures forever!  
And now we thank you, our God,  
and praise your glorious name.*

**God's Greeting**

***O Worship the King***

O worship the King all glorious above,  
And gratefully sing His wonderful love;  
Our Shield and Defender, the Ancient of Days,  
Pavilioned in splendor and girded with praise.

O tell of His might and sing of His grace,  
Whose robe is the light, whose canopy space;  
His chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form,  
And dark is His path on the wings of the storm.

Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail,  
In Thee do we trust, nor find Thee to fail;  
Thy mercies how tender, how firm to the end,  
Our Maker, Defender, Redeemer and Friend.

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**Call to Confession:** *Ephesians 5:15-17*

*Look carefully then how you walk, not as unwise but as wise,  
making the best use of the time, because the days are evil.  
Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is.*

**Prayer of Confession**

**Words of Assurance:** *Psalms 111:1, 9-10*

*Praise the LORD!  
I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart,  
in the company of the upright, in the congregation.  
He sent redemption to his people;  
he has commanded his covenant forever.  
Holy and awesome is his name!  
The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom;  
all those who practice it have a good understanding.  
His praise endures forever!*

**Morning Prayer**

## ***Take Time to be Holy***

Take time to be holy, speak often with God;  
Find rest in Him always, and feed on His Word.  
Make friends of God's children, help those who are weak;  
Forgetting in nothing His blessing to seek.

Take time to be holy, the world rushes on;  
Much time spend in secret, with Jesus alone.  
By looking to Jesus, like Him Thou shalt be;  
Thy friends in thy conduct His likeness shall see.

Take time to be holy, let Him be Thy Guide;  
And run not before Him, whatever betide.  
In joy or in sorrow, still follow Thy Lord,  
And, looking to Jesus, still trust in His word.

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## **Scripture: Acts 17:10-13 (ESV)**

<sup>10</sup> The brothers immediately sent Paul and Silas away by night to Berea, and when they arrived they went into the Jewish synagogue. <sup>11</sup> Now these Jews were more noble than those in Thessalonica; they received the word with all eagerness, examining the Scriptures daily to see if these things were so. <sup>12</sup> Many of them therefore believed, with not a few Greek women of high standing as well as men. <sup>13</sup> But when the Jews from Thessalonica learned that the word of God was proclaimed by Paul at Berea also, they came there too, agitating and stirring up the crowds.

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **Message: *Becoming a Berean***

### ***Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing***

Oh, for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise,  
The glories of my God and King, the triumphs of his grace!

He breaks the power of canceled sin, He sets the prisoner free;  
His blood can make the foulest clean; His blood avails for me.

He speaks, and, listening to his voice, new life the dead receive;  
The mournful, broken hearts rejoice; the humble poor believe.

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## **God's Blessing**

### ***Majesty***

Majesty, worship His majesty  
Unto Jesus be all glory, honor, and praise.  
Majesty, kingdom authority  
Flow from His throne unto His own; His anthem raise.  
So exalt, lift up on high the name of Jesus.  
Magnify, come glorify Christ Jesus, the King.  
Majesty, worship His majesty  
Jesus who died, now glorified, King of all kings.

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