

## CHURCH FAMILY

Come celebrate John E's 90<sup>th</sup> birthday at an open house on Saturday, March 16 from 1:00-3:00 p.m. at the Northwest Washington Fairgrounds People's Place building.

Birthday greetings to Perlene H who celebrates her 81<sup>st</sup> birthday on March 13.

Thank you to the church family for all your prayers, expressions of sympathy, cards, food and visits with the sudden passing of Evie. It has been greatly appreciated.  
~ Marv H and Family

Thank you for the thoughts and prayers during my stay in the hospital for my endocarditis and now with my month of daily antibiotics. ~ Glen B

Seniors of the month of March are Abbey A and Jessica K. Please check out their poster in the back of church and pray for God's blessing on their life and future.

## 11<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL MISSIONS CELEBRATION

### • **SATURDAY, MARCH 16:**

Register TODAY to join us for a Dutch dinner next Saturday, March 16 at 5:00 p.m. at The Barn Youth Center. The evening will include guest speakers with Northwest Hispanic Ministries and Bridges of Hope, and with Frontier Missions and former missionary to Albania. There will also be a time to meet with other missions representatives.

### • **SUNDAY, MARCH 17:**

\*\* On Sunday morning, chaplains with Ministries to Seafarers and Action International, will give a presentation during the Ed. Hour in the basement.

\*\* During the morning worship service, we will have our presentation of flags and missionaries, with guest preacher, Gary R, chaplain with Ministries to Seafarers in BC.

\*\* Following the morning service, join us for refreshments in the basement. Missions representatives will have display tables set up and will be available to answer questions.

\*\* Sunday evening, our guest speaker will be Mitchell S, elder with Envision Mission, during evening worship service.

\*\* Baby bottles will also be collected next Sunday, March 17. Additional bottles are available. Plan to return the bottles to boxes in the lobby when you come to worship on Missions Celebration Sunday. Proceeds from the bottles will be given to Whatcom County Pregnancy Clinic.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### • **JOINT CRC WORSHIP SERVICE TONIGHT:**

You are invited to attend our combined CRC unity service at Bethel tonight, Sunday, March 10, at 6:00 p.m. We will sing to our Savior, hear His word proclaimed and pray for crops and industry. An offering will be taken for the Lighthouse Mission and a nursery will be available.

### • **FIRST GROUPS BEGIN THIS WEEK!**

During the season of Lent, we will explore how the truth of the Gospel affects every area of our daily lives through the sermon series and in more personal interactions and application at First Groups. These groups of 8-10 people will meet 6 times in various locations and different times. Sign up TODAY at the table in the back of church.

\*\* Books have arrived and are available in the back of church. Whether you are planning to be in a small group or want to study on your own, you may pick up a copy of *A Gospel Primer* and a study guide. A suggested donation of \$10 per book can be given to your group leader, dropped off at the sign up table, or placed in Kara H's box (G12). Please make checks out to First CRC.

### • **LYNDEN MANOR LUNCH – TUESDAY, MARCH 27:**

All First CRC residents of Lynden Manor are invited to lunch with the pastors on Tuesday, September 25 at 12:30 p.m.

### • **FIRST FAMILY CAMP – SEPTEMBER 13-14:**

Join us for family church camp, September 13-14 (note this is a week later than past years) at Howard Miller Steelhead Park in Concrete. This is a great time to get together and be blessed with God's family. *Everyone* is invited, to a potluck dinner together on Saturday night. A shelter and clubhouse are reserved for us, so if we need to get out of the rain we have an area to gather. This year reservations will be made directly with Amy V. For more information, contact Amy V.

### • **SERVE 2019 UPDATES:**

We have two groups willing to lead the worship at SERVE 2019 but we are looking for a speaker. Please keep us in your prayers for the coordinators, volunteers, and servants as we anticipate what God is going to do at Lynden SERVE 2019.

### • **PERFUME/COLOGNE REMINDER:**

Some members are sensitive to certain scents of cologne and perfume. We ask that you please use these items sparingly so that everyone can enjoy the worship services.

## UPCOMING MEETINGS

### • **EDUCATION CLASSES:**

Education Hour for grades 3-12 meet on Sunday mornings from 9:30–10:15 a.m. A nursery and Bible class for children in 2<sup>nd</sup> grade and younger is available in the Ed. Building.

### • **OASIS 2.0 (JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL MINISTRY):**

Join us this week Monday, March 11 at 7:00 p.m. in the Loft where you can hear and see pictures about Blake's trip to India. For information, contact Dan H.

### • **ELDERS:**

We will meet on Tuesday, March 12 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Room.

### • **TRIBE (HIGH SCHOOL MINISTRY):**

Join us this Wednesday, March 13 at 7:30 p.m. in the Loft for our regular meeting. For more information, contact Dan H.

### • **WORSHIP PLANNING:**

We will meet on Wednesday, March 13 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Room.

### • **MEN'S STUDY:**

Our next meeting will be Thursday, March 14 at 7:00 p.m., in the church basement. Please read Numbers 11-14. For more information, contact Pastor Robert at 360-354-4560.

### • **THURSDAY PM WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY:**

Join us on Thursday, March 14 in the Loft at 7:00 p.m. as we begin the Lenten study about preaching the gospel to ourselves. Contact Phama W for more information.

### • **CADETS (1<sup>st</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> GRADE BOYS MINISTRY):**

Our next meeting is on Monday, March 18 at 7:00 p.m. in the church basement. If you have any questions, contact Brian S.

### • **MOMS@1ST:**

We will meet on Tuesday, March 19 at 9:15 a.m. in the Loft. Contact Stephanie R with questions.

### • **GEMS (1<sup>st</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> GRADE GIRLS MINISTRY):**

Join us on Monday, March 20 at 6:30 p.m. in the Ed. Building. For more information, contact Gail B.

### • **DAUGHTERS OF ZION WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY:**

Join us on Thursday, March 21 at 10:00 a.m. in the Ed. Building. For more information, contact Jo V.

PRAYER CLOSET

- **GLEN B** is at home recovering from an infection in his heart. He will receive antibiotics daily for 4 weeks.
- **BETTY H** is failing in health and is now on hospice.
- **JOHANNA R** is at the Christian Health Care Center in room #214.
- **UPDATE FROM BERT & RUTH K:**  
Bert is starting to do much better, but progress is slow with his heart issues. Ruth began her 4<sup>th</sup> different type of treatment for cancer this week after visiting the Cancer Care Alliance. Pray for minimal side affects from these long infusion treatments. They are so thankful to be remembered by the church family with all the prayers, meals, and cards they have received.
- **REVEREND RALPH H** (Dan’s father) is undergoing radiation treatment. Pray for doctors to help relieve his pain and safety as they drive to appointments in the winter weather.
- **ALDERWOOD PARK RESIDENT:** Kristi N
- **CASCADE CHRISTIAN HOME RESIDENT:** Amy B
- **CHRISTIAN HEALTH CARE RESIDENTS:** Jennie B, Jim B, Mary K, Carl F, Betty H, Johanna R, Adrietta S, Joanne V
- **LYNDEN MANOR RESIDENTS:** Edie M, Gerrit P, Maggie S, Shirley S, Albert V, Janet V, Cora V
- **MEADOW GREENS RESIDENTS:** Freda G, Grace H, Nellie H, Andy V, Ruth W
- **ORCHARD PARK RESIDENTS:** Eleanor & Carol Z
- **REMEMBER OUR 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  
S Home – India

VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

Sunday, March 10

- Bus Driver:** Galen L  
**Nursery Baby:** Ardelle K, Candace L, Tessa B  
**Toddler:** Cheryl K, Jill M, Kaden K  
**Floater:** Jill M  
**Greeters:** Brian & Carly V,  
Jason & Amy V  
**Welcome:** John & Kathryn V  
**Ushers:** Kyle E, Craig G,  
Ken H, Linsey H  
**Safety Usher:** Jacob A, Gene T  
**Sound:** Chris F  
**Video:** Jordan H  
**Flowers:** Janis Z  
**Coffee:** Lloyd & Linda F  
**Cookies:** Jodi V, Ada V,  
Kathryn V, Amy V  
**Music** **AM:** Sharon A, Nancy Z

Sunday, March 17

- Bus Driver:** Dan V  
**Nursery Baby:** Sade N, Aubrey P, Taryn B  
**Toddler:** Megan P, Lisa Q, Logan B  
**Floater:** Stephanie R  
**PM:** Mary P, Michelle T  
**Greeters:** Doug & Mary V,  
John & Kathryn V  
**Welcome:** Jason & Amy V  
**Ushers:** Doug H, Rich Ho,  
Brian K, Dan R  
**Safety Usher:** Ted S, Jason V  
**Sound:** Rich Bl  
**Video:** Li E  
**Flowers:** Nancy Z  
**Coffee:** Alan & Pat D  
**Cookies:** Helene Y, Janis Z,  
Nancy Z, Carla Z  
**Music** **AM:** Mike S, Nancy Z  
**PM:** Nancy Z

WINTER WEATHER POLICY

The office will try to send an email if a church service or meeting is canceled. Otherwise, listen to Praise 106.5, KGMI 790 or contact your district elder or group leader.

First Christian Reformed Church  
Lynden, Washington

Sunday, March 10 ~ First Sunday of Lent

- \*\* Daylight Savings Time Begins \*\***  
9:30 Education Hour for Adults and Students  
10:30 Worship Service ~ Robert W  
Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper  
Message: Preaching the Gospel in India  
Scripture: *James 1:27*  
Offering: Building the Future Fund  
Love Offering: Youth Dynamics  
11:45 Fellowship Time in the Church Basement  
6:00 Combined CRC Prayer Service at Bethel CRC  
Offering: Lighthouse Mission

Monday, March 11

- 7:00 Oasis 2.0 meets in the Loft

Tuesday, March 12

- 9:30 Mom’s @ 1<sup>st</sup> meet in Loft  
7:00 Elders meet in the Council Room

Wednesday, March 13

- 7:00 Worship Planning meets in the Council Room  
7:30 TRIBE meets in the Loft

Thursday, March 14

- 7:00 Men’s Study meets in the Church Basement  
7:00 Women’s Bible Study meets in the Loft

Saturday, March 16

- 5:00 Missions Celebration Dinner at The Barn

Sunday, March 17 ~ Second Sunday of Lent

- 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Missions Celebration**  
9:30 Education Hour – Adults & 7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade meet in  
Basement with Gary R, John V  
10:30 Worship Service ~ Gary R  
Message: *Gone Fishing*  
Scripture: *Matthew 4:12-22*  
Offering: Jeff & Melissa  
11:45 Fellowship Time with our Missions Partners  
in the Church Basement  
6:00 Worship Service ~ Mitchell S  
Message: *Understanding Truth and Grace*  
Scripture: *Psalms 53; Ephesians 2:1-11; 3:16-21*  
Offering: Jeff & Melissa

CHURCH BUILDING HOURS

- 8:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m. Monday-Friday  
9:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m. Saturday