

## CHURCH FAMILY

A very, very special thank you to our church family for the care, concern, food, and love poured upon us as we mourn Barry's passing. While we miss him dearly, we rejoice that his pain and suffering is no more as he walks now in the presence of his Savior. Our God reigns forever and ever and we take comfort in His promises.

~ Clarice and family

- **WELCOME TO FIRST CRC** Kendra B, Kelli H, Kennadi H, and Carl R who have come before the elders and will publicly profess or reaffirm their faith and be introduced today during the morning service. Bryan & Sara K and their three children are also joining up by way of transfer. We welcome all of them to the First Church family and pray we will be a blessing to them.
- **THANK YOU** to the Fellowship Team, Galen & Candace , and all the volunteers that made the Senior Dinner such a wonderful evening for our senior members.
- **HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS OF THE MONTH OF APRIL** are Carl R and Judy W. Please check out their poster in the back of church and pray for God's blessing on their life and future.

## EASTER CELEBRATION

- **PALM SUNDAY, APRIL 14:**  
The Children's Church will be singing today during the morning worship service for Palm Sunday.
- **GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 19:**  
Join us on April 19 at 7:00 p.m. as we gather to remember the sacrifice Christ made for us on that first Good Friday. We will be celebrating the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper.
- **EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 21:**  
\*\* Come and celebrate the joy of the resurrection on Easter Sunday, April 21 at 10:30 a.m. as we gather to celebrate his joyful victory over death.  
\*\* Join us again as we gather together with other area CR churches on Easter evening at 6:00 p.m. at Sumas CRC. The offering will be for Reformed University Fellowship at Western Washington University. RUF is a gospel ministry of the Presbyterian Church in America. Rev. Nathaniel T is being used of the Lord for small and large group Bible studies, discipleship and evangelism on the campus of WWU.

- **EASTER LILY FUNDRAISER – ORDERS DUE TODAY:**  
Support Oasis (Junior High Youth Group) by purchasing an Easter lily (\$12.00 each) in memory of a loved one or just for yourself. The lilies will be used in church on Easter morning, and can be picked up following the Easter worship service. All orders must be received TODAY in the new red drop box (attached to the youth ministry kiosk in the back of church). It's more secure than the cardboard box that we have been using to collect forms. Thank you for your continued support!

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **TIRED BUT NOT RETIRED:**  
Join us to see the Christian movie, "Breakthrough" (limited engagement in theaters). This is based on a true story about a young boy who fell through the ice and was unresponsive when rescued, and his mother who praying over him for a miracle in the hospital. For the rest of the story, join us on Saturday April 20, for the 7:00 p.m. showing in Bellingham. We can carpool from church leaving at 6:00 p.m., giving us time to buy your popcorn. Tickets are by reservation only, so please go online to purchase tickets. For more information, contact Liz or Dawn.
- **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. For more information, or to make reservations, contact Amy V.
- **CASCADE FAMILY BIBLE CAMP – JULY 4-8:**  
There are exciting outdoor and inspirational events planned for the entire family this summer at the Cascade Family Bible Camp at Warm Beach. It is a weekend you will never forget. They are also offering a 50% discount to first-time campers! There has never been a better time to invest in your family. For more information about camp or to register, visit [www.cascadefamilybiblecamp.org](http://www.cascadefamilybiblecamp.org).
- **YOUTH DYNAMICS CLOTHING DRIVE FUNDRAISER:**  
Youth Dynamics is collecting clothes, linens, and accessories as a fundraiser. Donations can be dropped off in the Ed. Building. For more information, contact Tim N.
- **SERVE 2019 UPDATES:**  
\*\* We are looking for someone who enjoys posting things on Facebook. SERVE provides the social media plan and we will have others take pictures for you to post. It's a great gig,

you get to support SERVE from the comfort of your home! Students are encouraged to apply.

\*\* Pray for our SERVE coordinators and that God would help us place the right volunteers in the right task.

\*\* We are looking for students (going into 9<sup>th</sup> grade and up) to help with SERVE for the whole week or even part of the time. If you are interested, contact Dan H one of the coordinator team members: Molly H, Len H, Steve L, or Cal B.

## UPCOMING MEETINGS

- **CADETS (1<sup>st</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> GRADE BOYS MINISTRY):**  
Join us on Monday, April 15 for a Cadre Night at 7:00 p.m. in the Church Basement. For more information, contact Brian S.
- **TRIBE (HIGH SCHOOL MINISTRY):**  
Join us this Wednesday, April 17 at 7:30 p.m. in the Loft for our normally scheduled youth gathering. We look forward to seeing you there. For more information, contact Dan H.
- **THURSDAY PM WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY:**  
Join us this Thursday, April 18 in the Parsonage at 7:00 p.m. We will discuss Week 6 of *A Gospel Primer*. Contact Phama W for more information.
- **OASIS 2.0 (JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL MINISTRY):**  
\*\* Students, we need your help with our annual Easter Lily Fundraiser. Money raised helps with food, pop, activities, crafts, and Bible study supplies, so it's a big deal. Join us on Saturday, April 20 at 10:30 a.m. to help arrange the plants. Parents, we would love your help too and "many hands make light work."  
\*\* Our next meeting will be next week Monday, April 22 at 7:00 p.m. in the Loft.  
\*\* For more information about any of these, contact Dan H.
- **MOMS@1ST:**  
We will meet on Tuesday, April 23 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 next week Wednesday, April 24 at 6:30 p.m. in the Ed. Building for pizza and practice!  
\*\* Mark your calendars – Sunday, April 28 is GEMS Sunday! For more information, contact Gail B.

## PRAYER CLOSET

- **JOHN B** has an appointment on April 23 with the cancer specialists in Seattle. Pray for wisdom for treatment protocol and that it can start soon.
- **BETTY H** is failing in health and is on hospice care.
- **JANE S** is recovering from hip replacement surgery.
- **REVEREND RALPH H** (Dan's father) has completed his radiation treatment but is expecting a few more weeks of pain as a side effect of the treatment.
- **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, Kristi N, Maggie S, Shirley S, Albert VD, Janet VS, Cora VW
- **MEADOW GREENS RESIDENTS:** Gussie B, Freda G, Grace H, Nellie H, Andy VV, Jo VV, Ruth W
- **ORCHARD PARK RESIDENTS:** Eleanor & Carol Z

## VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

### Palm Sunday, April 14

**Bus Driver:** Blaine K  
**Nursery Baby:** Meredith Z, Jenny B, Sadie H  
**Toddler:** Sara B, Dora B, Alivia B  
**Floater:** Swandel E  
**PM:** Kari H, Marlys H  
**Greeters:** Dan & Gail B, Terry & Nicole B  
**Welcome:** Wayne & Nicki G  
**Ushers:** Josh B, Cal B, Jake DH, Kyle E  
**Safety Usher:** Lance H, Jacob A  
**Sound/Video:** Rick B, Jordan H  
**Flowers:** Meredith Z  
**Coffee:** Berny & Vicky D  
**Cookies:** Jennie B, Susan B, Shirley B, Yvonne B  
**Music** **AM:** Mike H, Nancy Z  
**PM:** Nancy Z

### Good Friday, April 19

**Bus Driver:** Blaine K  
**Nursery:** Louise H, Molly H  
**Greeters:** Chuck & Peggy B, Glen & Karen  
**Ushers:** Craig G, Ken H, Linsey H, Doug H  
**Safety Usher:** Gene T, Ted S  
**Sound/Video:** Chris F, Li E  
**Music:** Mike H

### Easter Sunday, April 21

**Bus Driver:** Galen L  
**Nursery Baby:** Sandy G, Kelsey G, Alana K  
**Toddler:** Crystal H, Kristin & Jessica H  
**Floater:** Leanne H  
**Greeters:** Dick & Jennie B, Ryan & Sara B  
**Welcome:** Kyle & Swandel E  
**Ushers:** Len H, Brian K, Dave L, Ken R  
**Safety Usher:** Jason V, Randy L  
**Sound/Video:** Rick B, Jesse P  
**Coffee:** Tabin & Jenny B  
**Cookies:** Karen B, Carolyn B, Jan B, Jenny B  
**Music:** Sharon A, Lee VB

## *First Christian Reformed Church Lynden, Washington*

### Sunday, April 14 ~ Palm Sunday

10:15 Children's Church meets in the Ed. Building  
10:30 Worship Service ~ Robert Woodyard  
Children's Church Singing  
Profession and Reaffirmation of Faith  
Message: *The Gospel in Hard Times*  
Scripture: *John 12:12-16*  
Offering: Gary & Mary Gates  
11:45 Fellowship Time in the Church Basement  
6:00 Worship Service ~ Robert Woodyard  
Message: *Perfect Love Casts Out Fear*  
Scripture: *1 John 4:15-21*  
Offering: Gary & Mary Gates

### Monday, April 15

7:00 Cadets meet in the Church Basement

### Wednesday, April 17

7:30 Tribe meets in the Loft

### Friday, April 19 ~ Good Friday

7:00 Worship Service ~ Robert Woodyard  
Sacrament of the Lord's Supper  
Message: *The Gospel According to Barabbas*  
Scripture: *Mark 15:6-15*

### Saturday, April 20

10:30 OASIS meets in the Sanctuary for Lily Fundraiser  
6:00 Tired Not Retired meets for Movie Night

### Sunday, April 21 ~ Easter Sunday

10:30 Worship Service ~ Robert Woodyard  
Message: *The Death of Death*  
Scripture: *1 Corinthians 15:51-58*  
Offering: Benevolence Fund  
11:45 Fellowship Time in the Church Basement  
6:00 Joint Worship Service at Sumas CRC  
Offering: Reformed University Fellowship

### CHURCH BUILDING HOURS

8:30 a.m.–1:00 p.m. Monday-Friday  
9:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m. Saturday