# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## • THANKSGIVING DAY WORSHIP SERVICE:

Join us on Thursday, November 28 as we gather to praise and thank God for the abundance He has given us this year. Please note the Thanksgiving Day worship service will begin at 10:00 a.m. Childcare will be available in the Ed. Building. \*\* Thanksgiving Day Offering – A write up of suggested causes and envelopes are at the Welcome Center. All loose money will go toward Christian School Tuition Assistance.

#### • CHURCH CLOSURE FOR THANKSGIVING:

Church offices will be closed on Thursday, November 28 and Friday, November 29 for Thanksgiving. The deadline for announcements will be Tuesday, November 20 at 10:00 a.m.

#### • CADET POINSETTIAS - ORDERS DUE TODAY!

Cadets are selling 6" poinsettias for \$10.00 each. Place orders and payment in the box on the Welcome Center or contact any Cadet. Poinsettias can be picked-up on Friday, November 29 in the Ed. Building. Orders are due TODAY!

#### • EDUCATION CLASSES:

\*\* Classes for 3<sup>rd</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades wrapped up for the fall session today. Classes will resume for winter session on January 5.
\*\* Adult Education class will wrap up Sunday, December 1.
Nursery and class for infants – 2<sup>rd</sup> grade will be available.

## • CHRISTMAS CHILDREN'S SERVICE PRACTICE:

All children ages 3 yrs. old  $-6^{th}$  grade are asked to practice for the Children's Service the following days:

Sunday, December 1, 8, 15 at 9:30 am in the Ed. Building Saturday, December 14 at 9:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary Some speakers and singers may also be asked to come for additional practices. Parents, thank you for helping with this! Children will be asked to be meet in the church basement at 5:40 p.m. on Sunday, December 15 for the service.

#### • CONGREGATIONAL MEETING - DECEMBER 3:

The annual Congregational Meeting is scheduled for next Tuesday, December 3 at 7:00 p.m. to vote on the proposed 2020 church budget.

\*\* Absentee ballots are available at the Welcome Center. Return signed absentee ballots to Council Clerk, Doug V (box O10) prior to the start of the meeting.

#### • GEMS SOUP SUPPER - DECEMBER 4:

The GEMS Soup Supper & Bake Sale will be Wednesday, December 4 from 5:00–7:00 p.m. in the Church Basement. Don't miss the delicious soups, salad and dessert! Also plan to stop by the bake sale table full of yummy goodies to purchase. Proceeds will go to the First CRC GEMS.

#### • VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR MALL HUNT:

Volunteers needed for a few hours on Wednesday night, December 4 for the annual Tribe mall hunt. We are looking for people of any age to dress incognito and walk around the mall for a few hours. You can even get your Christmas shopping done while you are there! Please sign up on the sheet in the back of church if you are interested or talk to Cal B or Laura B.

## • MISSION TRIP TO WAXHAW, NC/JAARS-WYCLIFFE:

The Missions Ministry team is planning a mission trip to Waxhaw, North Carolina at the JAARS/Wycliffe Mission Base for the week of April 26, 2020. Ken & Chris V, missionaries we support, are there training, supporting and equipping those planning to go overseas into remote areas to share the gospel. We will have a meeting in the near future for those interested. For more information, talk to Wes or Liz V.

#### • DISCOVERY CLASS STARTING IN JANUARY:

Are you interested in knowing more about First CRC or in joining our church? Discovery class covers who we are, how we got here, what we believe and what we do. This class will begin in January. If you are interested in this class, contact Pastor Robert or the church office at 360-354-4560 or info@firstcrclynden.org.

#### • SERVE 2020:

We are already well into planning for SERVE 2020 and are getting excited! Right now, we are looking for suggestions for worksites for the students. If you know of individuals who would benefit from having a group of people and clean up their yard, repair a fence, wash windows, etc., please let us know. Contact Len H or Steve L with suggestions. Thank you!

## • MOMS@1ST COOKBOOKS ARE HERE!

This cookbook has 500 hand-picked, tried and true recipes, from quick & easy dinners to yummy desserts. The best part, they are only \$20 and \$5 goes straight to New Way Ministries! If you would still like to purchase a cookbook, come to the church office any Monday-Friday from 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

#### • 2020 BIRTHDAY CALENDAR UPDATES:

The church birthday calendar is being updated for next year. If you have any corrections, additions, deletions or any 80+birthdays or significant anniversaries, please contact the church office at 360-354-4560 or info@firstcrclynden.org.

# **UPCOMING MEETINGS**

## • OASIS 2.0 (7th-8th GRADE YOUTH MINISTRY):

Our next meeting is Monday, November 25 at 7:00 p.m.
We will be talking about a people pleaser and peer pressure and of course have fun activities and snacks too. Visitors are always welcome! For more information, contact Jeff & Renee L or Patty R.

## • TRIBE (HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY):

No meeting this week but we will see you on Wednesday, December 4 for our annual mall hunt. If you need a ride to the mall, meet in the church parking lot at 6:30 p.m., otherwise meet by the fireplace in the food court at 7:00 p.m. We hope to arrive back at church a little after 9:00 p.m. For more information, contact Cal B.

## • CADETS (1st – 8th GRADE BOYS MINISTRY):

Join us next week Monday, December 2 at 7:00 p.m. in the church basement for a cadre night. For more information about Cadets, contact Brian S.

#### SERVE 2020 TEAM:

We will meet on Monday, December 2 at 7:00 p.m. in the Loft. For more information, contact Molly H.

#### MOMS@1st:

MOMS@1<sup>ST</sup> will meet Tuesday, December 3 at 9:30 a.m. in the Loft. For more information, contact Stephanie R.

## • GEMS (1<sup>ST</sup> – 8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE GIRLS MINISTRY):

Join us on Wednesday, December 4 from 5:00–7:00 p.m. to help with our soup supper and bake sale. For questions about GEMS, please contact Gail B.

#### • WOMEN'S EVENING BIBLE STUDY:

Our last lesson on Nehemiah will be Thursday, December 5 with a wrap-up and dinner at 6:30 p.m. in the Loft. Contact Phama Wfor more information.

#### • MEN'S EVENING BIBLE STUDY:

Men of all ages are invited to study *The Book of Judges*, on December 5 at 7:00 p.m. in the Church Basement. For more information, contact Pastor Robert at 360-354-4560.

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

Our next meeting will be on Thursday, December 12 for our Christmas Social. There will be no lesson. Please bring a salad or a dessert. Also don't forget to bring scarves, gloves and hats for Lighthouse Mission. For more information about Daughters of Zion, contact Jo V.

# **CHURCH FAMILY**

Birthday greetings to Bea V who celebrates her 92<sup>nd</sup> birthday on November 28 and Bud K who celebrates his 85<sup>th</sup> birthday on November 29.

Our sympathies to the following families:

Scott & Roslyn H, Brent & Jolene H, James & Carolyn B and their families with the passing of Roslyn's mother and their grandmother.

Jack & Wilma P and their family with the passing of Jack's brother, Manuel on November 21.

With Thanksgiving around the corner, we'd like to take the opportunity to say thank you for the prayers and support First CRC has given our ministry here in Whatcom County. You have helped us reach many young people with the truth and love of Jesus Christ. ~ Tim N, Youth Dynamics

# PRAYER CLOSET

- **CLARICE B** was moved to CHCC rehab to recover from a broken pelvis and a stroke.
- RECOVERING FROM SURGERY: Harold H, Laura B, Sid G
- **DEALING WITH CANCER:** Paul R, Rick B, John B, Susan B, Ralph H (Dan's father in Michigan)
- CASCADE CHRISTIAN HOME RESIDENT: Amy B
- CHRISTIAN HEALTH CARE RESIDENTS: Jennie B, Mary K, Carl F, Johanna R, Joanne V
- CORDATA COURT RESIDENT: Diane S
- LYNDEN MANOR RESIDENTS: Edie M, Kristi N, Maggie S, Albert V, Janet V, Cora V
- **MEADOW GREENS RESIDENTS:** Gussie B, Freda G, Grace H, Nellie H, Andy V, Jo V, Ruth W
- ORCHARD PARK RESIDENTS: Eleanor & Carol Z
- SILVERADO CARE RESIDENTS: Bennie M, Casey V
- HAUSA PEOPLE GROUP OF NORTHERN NIGERIA: Pray that God will pour out His Holy Spirit on the Hausa and build His church among them.

# **VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE**

## Sunday, November 24

**Bus Driver:** Dan V

Nursery Baby: Swandel E, Madyson B

Toddler: Kelsey G, Jolene H, Logan B

PM: Coni H, Marilyn M

**Greeters:** Chuck & Peggy B,

John & Jennie B

Welcome: Linsey & Kristin H Josh B, Ken H,

Doug H, Len H
Safety Usher: Patrick J, Tabin B
Sound/Video: Rob H, Brant H
Music AM: Sharon A, Nancy Z

PM: Nancy Z

Cookies: Larry & Joanne K
Carolyn B, Jan B,
Jenny B, Doris B

## Thanksgiving Day, November 28

**Bus Driver**: Dan V

Nursery Baby: Kari H, Kim F

Toddler: Marlys H, Leanne H, Kelli H

**Greeters:** Glen & Karen B,

Beth B

Welcome: Lance & Jessica H
Ushers: Linsey H, Rich H,
Dave L, Ken R

<u>Safety Usher:</u> Woody S, Darren G Sound/Video: Rob H, Jeff K

Music: Sharon A, Mike H

# Sunday, December 1

**Bus Driver**: Bryan A

Nursery Baby: Jessica and Brielle H

Toddler: Virginia & Sadie H, Jenna K

PM: Jill M, Megan P

**Greeters:** Dick & Jennie B, Jake D

Welcome: Ken & Jennifer M
Ushers: Carl R, Dan R,
Robert S, Brian S

Safety Usher: Ryan B, Lance H
Sound/Video: Chris F, Jordan H
Music AM: Ken & Lisa Q

PM: Mike H

**Cookies:** Patrick J & Marilyn M Jennie B, Sara B,

Dora B, Pat D

# First Christian Reformed Church Lynden, Washington

## Sunday, November 24

9:30 Education Hour – 3<sup>rd</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades and Adult

10:30 Worship Service ~ Robert W

Sacrament of Baptism – Isaac Mark T

Scripture: Acts 12:1-19

Message: Peter in Prison Again

Offering: Christian Hope Association

11:45 Fellowship Time in the Church Basement

6:00 Worship Service ~ Robert Wo Scripture: *II Corinthians 4:15* Message: *Grace and Gratitude* Offering: Christian Hope Association

## Monday, November 25

7:00 Oasis 2.0 meets in the Loft

7:00 Lynden Choral Society Rehearsal

## Tuesday, November 26

10:00 Deadline for Announcements for December 1

## Thursday, November 28 ~ Thanksgiving Day

10:00 Worship Service ~ Robert W Scripture: *Psalm 69:30-32* 

Message: *Glorify God with Gratitude* Offering: Thanksgiving Envelopes

# Friday, November 29

\*\* Church Offices Closed \*\*
Poinsettia Pick-up Day in the Ed. Building

# Sunday, December 1 - First Sunday of Advent

9:30 Adult Education Hour in Church Basement

9:30 3 yrs.–6<sup>th</sup> grade Christmas Practice in Ed. Bldg.

10:30 Worship Service ~ Robert W

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper Scripture: *Genesis* 32:22-32

Message: When Heaven and Earth Meet:

Jacob and the Wrestler

Offering: Christian School Tuition Assistance

11:45 Fellowship Time in the Church Basement

6:00 Worship Service ~ Nathaniel T

Scripture: Matthew 6:9-13; Exodus 6:2-8

Message: Our Father

Offering: Christian School Tuition Assistance