First Christian Reformed Church Lynden, Washington July 19, 2020

CHURCH FAMILY & PRAYER CLOSET

• BIRTHDAY GREETINGS TO THE FOLLOWING:

Shirley B celebrates her 85th birthday today, July 19.

• CONGRATULATIONS:

Congratulations to Chris F and Cara M who were united in marriage on Saturday, July 18.

• THANK YOU:

Thank you to my church family for the wonderful thoughts, prayers and kindness shown to me during my surgery and recovery. ~ Beth B

 NEW MEMBERS JOINING US THIS MORNING – The following came before the elders to profess or reaffirm their faith:

David & Dara W - Reaffirmation

Greg & Sara T – Transfer from United Reformed Church in Lynden

Shannon T, Jacob T, Samantha T, Hayley B, Klayton S and Nick S

- Profession of Faith

Mariam W - Infant Baptism

They will make public profession of faith and be introduced today during the morning worship service on July 19 at the 9 a.m. service. We welcome them to the First Church family and pray we will be a blessing to them.

- DEALING WITH HEALTH ISSUES: Ruth B (fractured hip), Mick VG (recovering from surgery).
- **DEALING WITH CANCER:** Jo (continuing chemotherapy), Susan B(continuing radiation and immunotherapy), Rick B(cancer dormant and subsiding),

Pastor Phil K (former First CRC pastor - starting immunotherapy in CA),

Al M (First CRC missionary - undergoing chemo and immunotherapy in AZ)

• ASSISTED LIVING AND CARE CENTER RESIDENTS:

Cascade Christian Home – Amy B

Christian Health Care – Jennie B, Mary K, Bennie M, Johanna R, Joanne V

Cordata Court - Diane S

Lynden Manor – Anna G, Edie M, Kristi N, Maggie S, Janet VS, Cora VW, Albert VD

Meadow Greens - Gussie B, Freda G, Grace H, Nellie H, Andy VV, Jo VV

Orchard Park - Eleanor & Carol Z

• **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

Stafford House - Janice S

Cascade Connections – Tiffany B

- ASSOCIATE PASTOR: Pray for God's wisdom and clear leading to bring the man of His choosing to First CRC.
- **PHASE III BUILDING:** Pray for God's wisdom and clear leading and for His sufficient provision for building our future.

- **SERVE**: Pray for the SERVE Leadership Team as they plan and prepare for SERVE@Home 2020, scheduled to take place this August.
- MOMS@1st: Pray for God to nurture a fruitful ministry to all the moms and children involved, especially now as they minister to them remotely.
- HAUSA PEOPLE GROUP: Pray that God would open doors for the Gospel to reach the Hausa people in northern Nigeria.
- FIRST CRC MISSIONARIES

CHURCH INFORMATION

• IN-PERSON WORSHP SERVICES:

On Sunday, July 19 we will have two identical worship services at 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. During the hour in between the worship services, touchable surfaces will be thoroughly cleaned. Please refer to the letter from the elders that you received via email or printed copy for complete details. If you would like more information or have questions, please contact your district elder. The congregation has been divided alphabetically. Please note your assigned service below:

July 19 9:00 a.m. service last names A-K (New Members and Baptism)

11:00 a.m. service last names L-Z

July 26 9:00 a.m. Communion service last names L-Z

11:00 a.m. Communion service last names A-K

August 2 9:00 a.m. service last names A-K

11:00 a.m. service last names L-Z

• CELEBRATING THE LORD'S SUPPER:

Next week Sunday, July 26 we will celebrate the Lord's Supper at both services.

• LIVE-STREAM SERVICES:

For those that do not feel comfortable or are unable to attend, the worship service will be livestreamed 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:

 $\underline{https://c.streamhoster.com/embed/media/WxsdDd/mc8FcKJsixL/F9Dehoscddy_5?pre}\\ \underline{view=1}$

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

SERVE@HOME UPDATE:

We have some exciting things planned for SERVE@Home this year! We will be sending out small family-based groups to some of the same work sites that we have been able to work with in the past. With the current restrictions, we are preparing this year's SERVE experience in a way that will meet all restrictions and safety regulations in order to abide by all of the laws and keep everyone involved safe. In order to do this, we have broken the worksites into smaller segmented projects. We will ask for volunteers to come work for three-hour blocks of time so that we can work with smaller groups. The SERVE theme material for the year will also be covered during the two-week period that SERVE will be happening. If you have any questions, please reach out to. We look forward to SERVing with you!

• TEMPORARY OFFICE HOURS:

The church office will be open on Mondays and Thursdays from 9:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m. On Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays, the church voicemail and email will continue to be checked regularly. We encourage you to call and leave a message or email if you have any needs, prayer requests, or questions.

OFFERINGS AND WAYS TO GIVE:

Titles and offering can be now be given on Sundays in the back of church, or you are welcome to mail them to the church office (1010 Front Street, Lynden, WA 98264), drop them off at church (place in the outside mailbox), use a bill pay service, or electronically with Tithe.ly (www.tithe.ly or on the app). If you have questions about any of these options, contact any deacon or the church office.

July 19 – Christian Hope Association

July 26 – Benevolence

• FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE:

If you or someone in our church family needs financial assistance during this economic crisis, do not hesitate to contact a deacon. They are ready to help in any way they can.

• BABY BOTTLE COLLECTION:

Do you remember those baby bottles you filled for the Whatcom County Pregnancy Center back in March? Dig out those bottles – we are finally collecting them! Please place bottles in the marked containers in the back of church within the next couple of weeks. You are welcome to bring them when you come to worship or drop them off at the church office on Mondays or Thursdays. Deadline is July 31.

• FLOWERS FOR CHURCH:

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

Upcoming flower schedule: July 19 – Bev H

July 26 - Liz VP

• NON-PICTURE DIRECTORY TO BE PUBLISHED IN AUGUST:

The office has been working on updating our non-picture directory. If you or someone you know that is not on the church email list, have any corrections or items you would like to add (email, cell number, etc.), please contact the church office.

• CHURCH CONTACT AND SOCIAL MEDIA INFORMATION:

Office Phone 360-354-4560 (For all office staff)

Church Email <u>info@firstcrclynden.org</u>
Church Website <u>www.firstcrclynden.org</u>

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Church Instagram firstcrclynden (https://www.instagram.com/firstcrclynden/)