

First Christian Reformed Church
Lynden, Washington
August 23, 2020

CHURCH FAMILY & PRAYER CLOSET

- **CONGRATULATIONS** to Klayton S and Kendra B who were united in marriage on Saturday, August 22.
- A huge **THANK YOU** to all of our volunteers for SERVE@Home this year! The SERVE team was amazed and overwhelmed with the support and eagerness with which people prayed for, signed up and supported SERVE. It is truly a testament to the heart of our church family; our heart to serve others. If you have any stories that you would like to share or questions about the future, please contact Molly H. **THANK YOU!**
- **ADA V** is scheduled to have elbow surgery on Thursday, August 27.
- **JO V** is recovering from rotator cuff surgery.
- **DEALING WITH CANCER:** John B (continuing chemotherapy), Susan B (continuing immunotherapy), Rick B (cancer dormant), Ruth B (determining treatment options) Pat M (continuing radiation), Pastor Phil K (former pastor - undergoing immunotherapy), Al M (First CRC missionary - undergoing chemotherapy and immunotherapy)
- **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, Maggie S, Janet V, Cora V, Albert V
Meadow Greens – Gussie B, Freda G, Grace H, Nellie H, Andy V, Jo V
Orchard Park – Eleanor & Carol Z
Shuksan Healthcare Center – Kristi N, pray for Kristi's adjustment to this new home.
- **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 SEARCH TEAM:** Pray for God's wisdom and clear leading as Mike & Shelby Brummel visit next weekend to candidate for the position of Associate Pastor at First CRC.
- **PHASE III BUILDING:** Pray for God's wisdom and clear leading and for His sufficient provision for building our future.
- **MOMS@1st:** Pray for God to nurture a fruitful ministry to all the moms and children involved.
- **HAUSA PEOPLE GROUP:** Pray that God would open doors for the Gospel to reach the Hausa people in northern Nigeria.
- **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, Snehakunja Home

NEWS FROM COUNCIL

- Upcoming dates:
 - August 30 we will have an outdoor evening service.
 - September 13 Von G will preach.
 - October 8 Classis North Cascade meets at First CRC Lynden.
- Approved Ministry Groups plans for meeting this fall.
- Education Classes for 3rd-12th grades have been postponed until further notice.
- Approved to have Mike & Shelby B, candidate for Associate Pastor, to visit First Church the weekend of August 30. Mike will preach that Sunday.

ASSOCIATE PASTOR UPDATE

- The church council has invited Mike B to come and candidate for the position of Associate Pastor of First CRC from August 28-31. An email was sent with information about Mike and his wife, Shelby, from the church council. If you did not receive the email, please contact the church office to have it resent. The following is the schedule for the weekend. *Please remember that face masks are encouraged, and people are asked to keep a safe distance at all events.*
- **FRIDAY, AUGUST 28:**
The congregation is invited to meet and have a question and answer time with Mike and Shelby on Friday, August 28 at 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary.
- **SATURDAY, AUGUST 29:**
The church council will be interviewing Mike on Saturday morning and Mike and Shelby will have lunch with the church staff.
- **SUNDAY, AUGUST 30:**
Mike will be preaching at both worship services on Sunday morning and bring a short message and children's sermon on Sunday evening (service information listed below). Following both morning worship services there will be a short question and answer time with Mike and Shelby.
**** Due to limited time on Sunday, questions for Mike or Shelby will need to be submitted to the church office by Friday, August 28.** Questions can be emailed (info@firstcrclinden.org) or call or stop in at the church office on Monday or Thursday during office hours.
- For more information, you are welcome to contact the Associate Pastor Search Team members: Gene T (chair), Susan B, Cal B, Molly H, Larry K, Andrew R, Patty R, Mark T, Brian V, Fred Y, and Robert W.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **EDUCATION CLASSES:**
All education classes for 3rd – 12th grade have been postponed until further notice.
- **FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR CHRISTIAN EDUCATION:**
Parents, a form concerning financial assistance for Christian education will be emailed to you soon. ALL parents are asked to fill out this form, so we know where First CRC children are attending school. If you do not receive a form, please contact the church office. Please return forms to Jake D's church mailbox (C17) or to the church office (by email, mail or drop it off during office hours).
- **FIRST FAMILY CAMP IS STILL ON!**
First Family Camp will be September 11-13, 2020 at Howard Miller Steelhead Park in Concrete, (www.skagitcounty.net/Departments/ParksAndRecreation/parks/howardmiller.htm). Limited space is still available to camp for the weekend, so make your plans now! For more information or to make reservations, contact Amy V.

- **TEMPORARY OFFICE HOURS:**

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

- **CHURCH CONTACT AND SOCIAL MEDIA INFORMATION:**

Office Phone	360-354-4560 (For all office staff)
Church Email	info@firstcrcllynden.org
Church Website	www.firstcrcllynden.org
Church Facebook Page	First Christian Reformed Church – Lynden (https://www.facebook.com/First-Christian-Reformed-Church-Lynden-108591740760643/)
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