

CHURCH FAMILY

Birthday greetings to Case who celebrates his 85th birthday on January 4.

Our high school senior for the month of January is Joshua. Please check out the bulletin board in the back of church and pray for him as he makes important decisions on his future.

Thank you to my church family for all the Christmas cards and phone calls. The love and care this church family shows means so much to me. ~ Grace

ANNOUNCEMENTS

• **ADULT & STUDENT EDUCATION CLASSES:**

Education classes for adults and 3rd–12th grade students will resume next Sunday, January 8. Classes meet on Sundays from 9:30–10:15 a.m. A nursery and Bible class will be available for infants – 2nd grade in the Ed. Building.

** There are bookmarks in your mailbox, on one side is the adult education class schedule for the winter/spring session and on the other is a Bible verse that you can color.

** **ADULT EDUCATION CLASS WINTER SESSION:**

Everyone has a story, and as believers are stories are stories of seeing the hand of God through the very biggest and the very smallest events in our lives. In the up and coming winter and spring adult education series, the Education Ministry Team has compiled presenters to share with us their story of God's grace in their lives. This season, presenters will share about; their struggles with addiction, Christian's serving in public education, how to mentor, dealing with grief and loss, stories from the farm, hard decisions in choosing the right education for children, stories from veterans that fought for freedom, adoption stories, and struggling with health issues. Please join us for this season's adult education classes and celebrate what God has done in the lives of our fellow church members. On January 8, Patrick and Brian will be discussing addiction.

• **WINTER WEATHER POLICY:**

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

• **NIGERIA MISSION TRIP MEETING:**

There will be a meeting for those interested in the mission trip to Nigeria on January 22 after the morning service in the council room (during the fellowship time). Grab your coffee and join us to learn more about the ministry options and logistics.

• **CALVIN COLLEGE JANUARY SERIES:**

You are invited to the Calvin College January Series beginning Wednesday, January 4 and continuing weekdays through January 24 at Third CRC. Each lecture is shown via "live feed" from Calvin College from 9:30–10:30 a.m. and will cover topics ranging from re-imagining healthcare, closing the gender gap in technology, global poverty and violence, vocation and calling, race and reconciliation, and so much more by top experts in their fields. For more information about the speakers, topics, remote sites and listening options, visit the website at www.calvin.edu/january.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

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

Our next meeting is this Monday, January 2 at 7:00 p.m. in the church basement. If you have any questions, please contact Brian.

• **MINISTRY TEAMS:**

Ministry teams will meet this week Tuesday, January 3 at 7:00 p.m. unless you hear otherwise from your chairperson.

• **GEMS (1ST – 8TH GRADE GIRLS MINISTRY):**

Join us for a New Year's Celebration this week Wednesday, January 4 from 6:30–8:00 p.m. in the church basement. For more information, contact Amy.

• **WORSHIP PLANNING TEAM:**

We will meet this Wednesday, January 4 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Room.

• **TRIBE (HIGH SCHOOL MINISTRY):**

Happy New Year Tribe students and leaders. Join us on Wednesday, January 4th for our first gathering of the year. Meet in the loft at starting at 7:30 pm. For more information, contact Dan.

** We will be attending the Go-Winter retreat with Big Oak Ministries at the Great Wolf Lodge from February 17-19, and yes you will miss a day of school. Register at <http://www.gocamppnw.com> and use the coupon code GOWINTERHALF to be charged \$82.50 (half of the cost).

We'll collect the other \$50 later and the youth group will pay for the rest. As students that attended last year can attest, it's a fun weekend with music, nerf wars, speakers, and of course the indoor water park. For more information, contact Dan.

• **DAUGHTERS OF ZION (WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY):**

We will meet on Thursday, January 5 at 10:00 a.m. in the Ed. Building. Agnes and Cora will be servers this week. For more information, please contact Lena Marie.

• **RUTH SOCIETY (WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY):**

We will be meeting on Thursday, January 5 at 2:00 p.m. in the Ed. Building.

• **ELDERS:**

The Elders will meet next week Tuesday, January 10 at 8:00 p.m. in the Council Room. Please note this is a week later than normal.

• **OASIS (7th – 8th GRADE MINISTRY):**

Our new year of youth ministry is around the corner. We hope you had a great Christmas and that your New Year has started with a bang! Our first gathering will be at the Bethel youth house at 7:00 pm on Wednesday, January 12. We look forward to seeing you and catching up. For more information, contact Dan.

• **MEN'S STUDY:**

All men are welcome to join us next week Thursday, January 12 from 7:00–8:30 p.m. in the church basement. For more information, contact Pastor Robert at 354-4560.

• **WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY ON THE PSALMS:**

Our next meetings will be on Wednesday, January 18 at 10:00 a.m. and Thursday, January 19 at 7:00 p.m. For more information, contact Phama Woodyard at 306-0403 or Stephanie.

PRAYER CLOSET

- **COLESON** (son of Ryan & Sara) is recovering from surgery he had on his leg.
- **CAROL** is at the Christian Health Care Center recovering from a fall on the ice that broke both of her shoulders. Please pray for Carol as she recovers and Eleanor as she cares for her.
- **MARSHA** is undergoing treatment for cancer.
- **CURT** is undergoing treatment for cancer.
- **SID** continues to have ongoing treatments once a month in Seattle for cancer.
- **CHRISTIAN HEALTH CARE CENTER RESIDENTS:**
Bertha, Joe, Mary,
Julia, Ann
- **LYNDEN MANOR RESIDENTS:**
Edie, Evelyn, Kristi,
Henrietta, Gerrit, Maggie,
Cora
- **MEADOW GREENS RESIDENTS:**
Jennie, Carl, Nellie,
Barbara, Adrietta, Joni,
Andy & Gert, Joanne
- **LAKESIDE GARDENS HOME RESIDENT:** Bas
- **CASCADE CHRISTIAN HOME RESIDENT:** Amy

VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

Sunday, January 1

Nursery Baby: Michelle, Debbie,
Carl
Toddler: Debbie, Nelda,
Jacob
Floater: Megan
Greeters: Larry & Joanne,
Bud & Gert
Welcome: Lance & Jessica
Ushers: Linsey, Doug,
Len, Rich
Bus Driver: Galen
Sound: Rick
Video: Brant
Music: Sharon, Shirley

Sunday, January 8

Nursery Baby: Linda, Carly,
Reagan
Toddler: Mindy, Kelli,
Katelyn
Floater: Carolyn
PM: Michelle, Samantha
Greeters: Mike & Denise,
Blaine & Ardelle
Welcome: Mike & Michelle
Ushers: Ken, Daniel,
Carl, Dan
Bus Driver: Galen
Sound: Jed
Video: Jordan
Music: Sharon, Shirley
Flowers: Meredith
Coffee: Elvin & Anna Lee
Cookies: Gert, Denise,
Ardelle, Cheryl

First Christian Reformed Church Lynden, Washington

Sunday, January 1 ~ New Year's Day

9:50 Prayer Meeting in the Prayer Room
10:30 Prayer Service for the New & Old Years
Sacrament of the Lord's Supper
Offering: Christian School Tuition Assistance
Love Offering: Bethany Christian Services
~ No evening worship service ~

Monday, January 2

7:00 Cadets meet in the Church Basement

Tuesday, January 3

7:00 Ministry Teams meet

Wednesday, January 4

6:30 GEMS meets in the Church Basement
7:00 Worship Planning meets in the Council Room
7:30 TRIBE meets in the Loft

Thursday, January 5

10:00 Daughters of Zion meets in the Ed. Building
2:00 Ruth Society meets in the Ed. Building

Sunday, January 8

9:00 Prayer Meeting in the Prayer Room
9:30 Adult & 3rd-12th Grade Education Classes meet
10:30 Worship Service ~ Robert Woodyard
Scripture: *II Peter 1:16-21*
Message: *We Have Something Better*
Offering: Gary & Mary
10:30 Worship Service ~ Berny
Scripture: *Romans 1:8-17*
Message: *Paul's Endorsement of
God's Powerful Gospel*
Offering: Gary & Mary