CHURCH FAMILY

We extend our sympathy to James & Carolyn B and Kyle & Swandel E and their families with the passing of their grandmother, Marian S.

Thank you to the volunteers that faithfully drove John S to dialysis these past few years. Your willingness to give your time and friendship to John are appreciated.

SUMMER SEMINARY INTERN:

First Church will not be having an intern this summer. All the intern spots have been filled so we were not needed.

2017 HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES:

The 2017 High School Seniors from our church include: Brooke B, Joshua E, Cody F, Kaitlyn H, and Mikaela H

You have an opportunity to bless these students by writing a word of blessing, a Bible verse, or a letter that tells them how much they mean to you in their graduate journals. The journals are in the church basement with extra paper. You will have until June 11 (Gradation Sunday) to add your encouragement to their journals.

2017 COLLEGE/TECH SCHOOL GRADUATES:

The 2017 College & Tech Graduates from our church include:
Patty R with a degree in Elementary Education
from Western Washington University
Molly H with a degree in Accounting
from Whitworth College

Are you graduating from college or tech school this year? Let us know where you are graduating from, and what degree or certificate you will be receiving. Contact the church office at 360-354-4560 or info@firstcrclynden.org.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

• JOINT CRC EVENING SERVICE TONIGHT:

Mountain View Christian Reformed Church (located at 6678 Old Guide Road – between Pole Rd. and King Tut Rd.) welcomes you to worship tonight, May 28 at 6:00 p.m. Memorial Day, Ascension Day and Holy Communion will be blended together in a service entitled "The Manger, the Mountain, the Cross and the Throne." An offering will be received for Whatcom County Pregnancy Center. Join us for root beer floats and berry sundaes following the service.

• CHURCH OFFICE AND BUILDING CLOSURES:

The church offices and buildings will be closed on Monday, May 29 in honor of Memorial Day. The buildings will also be locked on Saturday, June 3 due to the Farmer's Day Parade. If you need access to the church one of those days, please contact the church office or Ron to make arrangements.

• DEACONS MEETING:

We will meet this week <u>Tuesday</u>, May 30 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council room.

• TRIBE (HIGH SCHOOL MINISTRY):

We are celebrating our last youth group with a last supper. Meet at Coconut Kenny's this week Wednesday, May 31 at 6:00 p.m. Bring \$5, the youth group will pay for the rest. If you need a ride, meet in the church parking lot at 5:45 pm. For more information, contact Dan H.

• CASCADE FAMILY BIBLE CAMP - JULY 6-10:

Invest in your family's faith this summer – Cascade Family Bible Camp is July 6 - 10. Speakers are George De Jong, Grant Vander Hoek and Kyle Kloostra. Register online NOW at www.cascadefamilybiblecamp.org. First time registrants will receive 50% off registration fees.

• FIRST FAMILY CAMP - SEPTEMBER 8-9:

Plan to join us for family church camp, September 8-9 at Howard Miller Steelhead Park in Concrete. This is a great time to get together and be blessed with God's family. *Everyone* is invited, to a potluck dinner on Saturday night. A shelter and clubhouse are reserved for us, so if we need to get out of the rain we have an area to gather. For more information, contact Amy V.

MISSION TRIP TO NIGERIA – JANUARY 2018:

The Mission Ministry Team is interested in a mission trip to Nigeria in January 2018 to meet Chris R when she finishes her assignment there. Projects would be tailored to the team member's skills. There are opportunities to participate in various training seminars, to assist a wheelchair production ministry and to assist partners with organizational/financial tasks. If interested, please contact Chris R.

SERVE UPDATE

• COME PRAY WITH US FOR SERVE:

God is preparing our church and community for SERVE and we are excited! Join us as we pray for SERVE—no experience required, just a willing heart. We will direct you on how to pray for SERVE *on Sunday, June 4* in the Education Building at 9:30 a.m. For more information, contact Cal or Laura B or Melinda.

• UPDATE ON HOST HOME AND PRAYER SPONSORS:

Please prayerfully consider if you would be able to help host some students or be a prayer sponsor. Sign up in the back of church or contact Laura B.

- ** **HOSTS** will need to pick up students at First CRC on Sunday, June 25, at 8:00 a.m., feed them breakfast and provide them with a shower, and then bring them back to church before the 10:30 a.m. commissioning service.
- ** **PRAYER SPONSORS** will pray for students before they come, while they are here, and as they return home. Each student and leader will also have a special box during SERVE week and sponsors and others from church will be able to send them encouraging notes throughout the week.

• DONATIONS NEEDED:

- ** Tools are need to equip the students and leaders at their work project. See the board in the back of church for a list of items needed. If you have items to donate, take the tags and attach to the items, and bring them to the Ed. Building.
- ** There is also a food and snack list in the back of church. If you can donate food, please fill it the shopping list and place it in Ria VW's box (P-2).
- ** For more information about donations, contact Dan H.

PRAYER CLOSET

- MARIA T is in the hospital and has begun chemo treatment for her cancer.
- JOANNE V is in rehab at the Christian Health Care Center following hip surgery.
- GRACE V is in rehab at St. Francis in Bellingham following a heart attack.
- **SHELLEY L** is recovering from angioplasty.
- SANDY F continues testing for her lymphoma.
- MARSHA M is undergoing treatment for cancer.
- **CURT M** is undergoing treatment for cancer.
- CASCADE CHRISTIAN HOME RESIDENT: Amy B
- SHUKSAN CARE CENTER RESIDENT: Diane S
- ORCHARD PARK RETIREMENT: Carl F
- LAKESIDE GARDENS HOME RESIDENT: Bas S
- CHRISTIAN HEALTH CARE CENTER RESIDENTS: Mary K, Julia S, and Ann V
- LYNDEN MANOR RESIDENTS: Edie M, Evelyn N, Kristi Ni, Henrietta N, Gerrit P, Maggie S, Albert V, Andy & Gert V, and Cora V
- MEADOW GREENS RESIDENTS: Dennis B. Jennie B, Grace H, Nellie H, Barbara P, Adrietta S, Joni T, and Joanne V
- REMEMBER OUR FIRST CRC MISSIONARIES

VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

Sunday, May 28, 2017

Nursery Baby: Mary V, Meredith Z,

Madison B

Toddler: Kim A, Michelle S,

Coleson B

Floater: Jill B

Josh & Jill B. **Greeters:**

Terry & Nicole B

Dan & Gail B Welcome: Wes V. Tim V. Ushers:

John V, Jason V

Bryan A Bus Driver: Sound: Tim H Video: Jordan H Liz V Flowers:

Cookies: Peggy B, Jennie Be,

Susan B, Shirley B

Coffee: Debbie S, Nicole B

Music: Shirley B, Mike S, Nancy Z

Sunday, June 4, 2017

Nursery Baby: Karen M, Dee B,

Kim F

Toddler: Peggy B, Carolyn B,

Logan B

Floater: Brooke B

PM: Kelli V, Carla Z

John & Jennie B. **Greeters:**

Rich & Yvonne B

Terry & Nicole B Welcome: Dan B, Josh B, **Ushers:**

Cal B, Jake D

Willie A **Bus Driver:** Rick B Sound: Video: Jeff K Nancy Z Flowers:

Yvonne B, Clarice B, Cookies:

Karen B, Carolyn B

Brian K, Nelda S, Coffee:

Larry & Joanne K

AM: Lee V, Nancy Z Music

PM: Shirley B

First Christian Reformed Church Lynden, Washington

Sunday, May 28

10:30 Worship Service ~ Robert W

Message:

Peace That Passes Understanding

Scripture: Romans 5:1-2; Romans 12:17-18;

James 3:16-18

Offering: Building the Future Fund

11:45 Fellowship Time in the Church Basement

6:00 Joint CRC Worship Service at Mt. View CRC

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Offering: Whatcom County Pregnancy Clinic

Monday, May 29 ~ Memorial Day

~ Church Offices and Buildings Closed ~

Tuesday, May 30

7:00 Deacons meet in the Council Room

Wednesday, May 31

6:00 TRIBE's "Last Supper" at Coconut Kenny's

Saturday, June 3

~ Church Buildings Closed ~ Farmer's Day Parade

Sunday, June 4 ~ Pentecost Sunday

10:30 Worship Service ~ Robert W

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper Message: Unusual Kindness

Scripture: Romans 2:4; Ephesians 4:30-32;

Colossians 3:12-13

Offering: First CRC Tuition Assistance Fund

11:45 Fellowship Time in the Church Basement

6:00 Worship Service ~ Robert W

Message: Of Wars and Rumors of Wars I

Scripture: Daniel 11:1-20

Offering: First CRC Tuition Assistance Fund