## A HEART FOR GOD – WORSHIP

#### \* Call to Worship

The God of creation makes us one in body!

Let us join hearts and voices in praise of the Lord!

The God of Christ makes us one in the Spirit!

Let us join hearts and voices in praise of the Lord!

## \* Opening Prayer

## \* Praise the LORD! Sing Hallelujah!

#146:1,2 (PH)

Praise the LORD! Sing hallelujah!
Come, our great Redeemer praise.
I will sing the glorious praises
Of my God through all my days.
Put no confidence in princes,
Nor on human help depend.
They shall die, to dust returning;
All their thoughts and plans shall end.

Happy is the one who chooses Jacob's God to be his aid.
They are blest whose hope of blessing On the LORD their God is stayed.
Heaven and earth the LORD created,
Seas and all that they contain.
He delivers from oppression;
Righteousness he will maintain.

#### \* **Scripture:** *Philippians 4:4-7 (ESV)*

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<sup>4</sup> Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice. <sup>5</sup> Let your reasonableness be known to everyone. The Lord is at hand; <sup>6</sup> do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. <sup>7</sup> And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

## Message

#### \* Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

Immortal, invisible, God only wise, In light inaccessible hid from our eyes, Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days. Almighty, victorious, your great name we praise.

We worship before you, great Father of light, While angels adore you, all veiling their sight; Our praises we render, O Father, to you Whom only the splendor of light hides from view.

Scripture: Psalm 34:1,3,4

I will extol the LORD at all times;

His praise will always be on my lips.

Glorify the LORD with me; Let us exalt his name together.

I sought the LORD and He answered me.

**Prayer for Worship** 

Pastor Robert W

#### A HEART FOR EACH OTHER – TEACHING

## \* Teach Me Your Way, O Lord

#472:1,4 (HFG)

#460:1.4 (PH)

Teach me Your way, O Lord, Teach me Your way! Your guiding grace afford, Teach me Your way! Help me to walk aright, More by faith, less by sight; Lead me with heavenly light, Teach me Your way!

Long as my life shall last, Teach me Your way! Where'er my lot be cast, Teach me Your way! Until the race is run, Until the journey's done, Until the crown is won, Teach me Your way!

#### **Prayer for Christian Education**

Dan H

**Offering:** Christian Hope Association

#### A HEART FOR EACH OTHER - FELLOWSHIP

\* Our World Belongs to God: Article 41
The Spirit empowers each member
To take part in the ministry of all,
So that hurts are healed and all may rejoice
In the life and growth of the fellowship.

## \* We Are God's People

#546:1,2,3 (HFG)

We are God's people,
The chosen of the Lord,
Born of His Spirit, established by His Word.
Our cornerstone is Christ alone,
And strong in Him we stand;
O let us live transparently
And walk heart to heart and hand in hand.

We are God's loved ones,
The Bride of Christ, our Lord,
For we have known it,
The love of God out-poured.
Now let us learn how to return
The gift of love once given;
O let us share each joy and care
And live with a zeal that pleases heaven.

We are the Body of which the Lord is Head, Called to obey Him, now risen from the dead. He wills us be a family diverse, yet truly one; O let us give our gifts to God And so shall His work on earth be done.

## **Prayer for Fellowship**

Larry K

#### Blest Be the Tie that Binds

#560:1,2 (HFG)

Blest be the tie that binds Our hearts in Christian love; The fellowship of kindred minds Is like to that above.

Before our Father's throne We pour our ardent prayers; Our fears, our hopes, our aims are one, Our comforts and our cares.

#### A HEART FOR THE LOST – OUTREACH

#### We've a Story to Tell to the Nations

#659:1,3,4 (HFG)

We've a story to tell to the nations
That shall turn their hearts to the right.
A story of truth and mercy,
A story of peace and light,
A story of peace and light.

Refrain: For the darkness shall turn to dawning,

And the dawning to noonday bright.

And Christ's great kingdom shall come on earth,

The kingdom of love and light.

We've a message to give to the nations That the Lord who reigneth above Hath sent us His Son to save us And show us that God is love, And show us that God is love. *Refrain* 

We've a Savior to show to the nations Who the path of sorrow hath trod, That all of the world's great peoples Might come to the truth of God, Might come to the truth of God. *Refrain* 

## **Prayer for the Lost**

Fred Y

# \* God's Blessing

#### \* To God Be the Glory

#632 (PH)

To God be the glory, to God be the glory, To God be the glory for the things he has done: With his blood he has saved me; With his power he has raised me. To God be the glory for the things he has done. The sanctuary is equipped with an assistive listening system. Please switch hearing aids to "T" to use this system.

\* indicates to stand if able

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# Prayer Service for a New Church Season



First Christian Reformed Church Lynden, Washington August 27, 2017 6:00 p.m. Worship Service