

## CHURCH FAMILY

Birthday greetings to Clarice B and Betty S who both celebrate their 81<sup>st</sup> birthday today, January 29. Birthday greetings also to Agnes R who celebrates her 82<sup>nd</sup> birthday on February 1.

Sympathy to Robert & Debbie S and Terry & Nicole B and their families with the loss of mother and grandmother, Jean S, on Sunday, January 21.

Rachel N is our high school senior of the month and Emily A and Kaylee K our 6<sup>th</sup> graders of the month. Take a moment to say a prayer that these students would continue growing in their relationship with Jesus. Thank you for being a supportive church family.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### • **BABY BOTTLE FUNDRAISER:**

Last week bottles were passed out for Sanctity of Human Life Sunday. There are still a few bottles in the back of church to pick up and fill it with loose change. Bottles will be collected again in March. All money collected will go to the Whatcom County Pregnancy Clinic.

### • **CADET SUNDAY – NEXT SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4:**

The Cadets will help lead us in worship next Sunday morning as we celebrate Cadet Sunday. The Cadet theme this season is *God Seeking Us*, based on Ezekiel 34:11.

### • **DISCOVERY CLASS BEGINNING SOON:**

Are you interested in knowing more about First CRC or in joining our church? A five-week Discovery Class will begin with a dessert on Monday, February 12 at 7:00 p.m. at the parsonage. This class will cover who we are, how we got here, what we believe and what we do. If you are interested, contact Pastor Robert or the church office at 354-4560.

### • **SERVE UPDATE:**

SERVE 2018 will be June 23-30 and we need your help! First, worksite coordinators are looking for SERVE projects. If you know of anyone in need, please contact Len H or Dan. Second, spiritual life coordinators are looking for a worship band, a speaker, and for students and adults to stay on site and helping during the SERVE week. Please pray for all of these needs and that God would be glorified by our efforts.

## UPCOMING MEETINGS

### • **EDUCATION WINTER SESSION:**

Education classes for adults and students in 3<sup>rd</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades meet on Sunday mornings from 9:15–10:15 a.m. A nursery and Bible class for children in 2<sup>nd</sup> grade and younger is available in the Education Building.

#### \*\* **Adult Education Class:**

Everyone is encouraged to come and learn about local mission ministries, how they are working in our community and changing lives. This class meets in the Church Basement.

\*\* Next Sunday, February 4 – Von & Sue G will share about Memli & Luiza, our missionaries in Albania and about their new work here in Whatcom County.

### • **CADETS (1<sup>st</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> GRADE BOYS MINISTRY):**

\*\* Today, January 28 is Cadet Sunday at Bethel CRC. Please meet at Bethel CRC at 10:00 a.m. in your uniform.

\*\* Next Sunday, February 4 is Cadet Sunday at First CRC. Cadets and leaders are asked to meet at church in your uniform by 10:00 a.m.

\*\* Our next meeting is next week Monday, February 5 at 7:00 p.m. in the church basement.

If you have any questions, contact Brian S.

### • **OASIS 2.0:**

Join us this Monday, January 29 at 7:00 p.m. in the Loft. We will be hanging out, learning more about God, and building friendships with each other. For more information, contact Dan H.

### • **DEACONS:**

We will meet this Monday, January 29 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Room.

### • **GEMS (1<sup>st</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> GRADE GIRLS MINISTRY):**

We will meet this Wednesday, January 31 at 6:30 p.m. in the Ed. Building. If you have any questions, please contact Amy V or Gail B.

### • **WORSHIP PLANNING TEAM:**

The Worship Planning Team will meet on Wednesday, January 31 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Room.

### • **TRIBE (HIGH SCHOOL MINISTRY):**

Join us this Wednesday, January 31 at 7:30 p.m. in the Loft. We will be finishing our discussion on spiritual gifts and we will have guests that will tell us about their gifts and how they use them to build up the body of Christ. For more information, contact Dan H.

### • **WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY:**

\*\* **WEDNESDAY AM** – *A Woman of Wisdom* based on Proverbs meets this week January 31 from 10:00-11:30 a.m. in The Loft. Childcare is provided. Contact Stephanie R with questions.

\*\* **THURSDAY PM** – *A Woman of Wisdom* based on Proverbs will meet on February 8 from 7:00-8:30 p.m. in the Loft. Contact Nancy Z with questions.

\*\* **DAUGHTERS OF ZION** – We will meet Thursday, February 8 at 10:00 a.m. in the Ed. Building. Contact Diane A with any questions.

### • **MEN'S STUDY:**

We will meet on Thursday, February 8 at 7:00 p.m., in the church basement. Please read Genesis 43. For more information, contact Pastor Robert at 360-354-4560.

## WINTER WEATHER POLICY

The church office will try to send out an email if a worship service or meeting is cancelled. Otherwise, please listen to Praise 106.5, KGMI 790 or contact your district elder or group leader if you have any concerns about cancellations.

## PRAYER CLOSET

- **LOUISA H** is at home recovering from her first round of chemo for lymphoma.
- **JERRY W** is at the Christian Health Care Center.
- **BETTY W** is at home recovering from knee surgery.
- **DIANE A** is recovering from knee surgery.
- **LIZ V** is recovering from knee surgery.
- **MARIA T** continues treatment for cancer.
- **CASCADE CHRISTIAN HOME RESIDENT:** Amy B
- **CHRISTIAN HEALTH CARE RESIDENTS:** Mary K, Carl F, Adrietta S, Julia S, Joanne V
- **LYNDEN MANOR RESIDENTS:** Edie M, Evelyn & Kristi N, 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
- **ORCHARD PARK RESIDENTS:** Eleanor & Carol Z
- **ST. FRANCIS RESIDENT:** Grace V
- **REMEMBER OUR FIRST CRC MISSIONARIES:**  
Jeff & Melissa B  
Ray & Angie D  
Steve & Sandy F  
Gary & Mary G  
Memli & Luiza M  
Al & Julie M  
Tim & Charlene N  
Eric & Penny S  
Mitchell & Rochelle S  
Chuck V  
John & Jean V  
Ken & Chris V

## VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

### Sunday, January 28, 2018

**Bus Driver:** Blaine K  
**Nursery Baby:** Michelle S, Megan S, Katelyn V  
**Toddler:** Debbie S, Michelle T, Jacob T  
**Floater:** Mindy V  
**PM:** Nelda S, Linda T  
**Greeters:** John & Jennie B, Rich & Yvonne B  
**Welcome:** Jason & Amy V  
**Ushers:** Carl R, Robert S, Brian S, Ed V  
**Security:** Darren G, Ryan B  
**Sound:** Jed S  
**Video:** Brant H  
**Music** **AM:** Cheryl K, Nancy Z  
**PM:** Nancy Z  
**Coffee:** Berny & Vicky D  
**Cookies:** Susan B, Peggy B, Clarice B, Karen B

### Sunday, February 4, 2018

**Bus Driver:** Galen L  
**Nursery Baby:** Susan B, Kim A, Avery V  
**Toddler:** Mary V, Tanisha G, Abbey A  
**Floater:** Kathryn V  
**PM:** Gail A, Nicole B  
**Greeters:** Barry & Clarice B, Glen & Karen B  
**Welcome:** Josh & Jill B  
**Ushers:** Dan V, Wes V, Tim V, John V  
**Security:** Lance H, Randy H  
**Sound:** Rick B  
**Video:** Kaelan K  
**Music** **AM:** Sharon A, Nancy Z  
**PM:** Lee V  
**Flowers:** Peggy B  
**Coffee:** Lloyd & Linda F, Nelda S  
**Cookies:** Carolyn B, Jan B, Jenny B, Jennie B

## *First Christian Reformed Church Lynden, Washington*

### Sunday, January 28

9:15 Education Hour for Adults and Students  
10:00 Cadets meet at Bethel CRC  
10:30 Worship Service ~ Robert W  
Message: *God Delights in Us*  
Scripture: *Zephaniah 3:14-20*  
Offering: Benevolence  
11:45 Fellowship Time in the Church Basement  
6:00 Worship Service ~ Robert W  
Message: *Wisdom from Esther*  
Scripture: *Esther 10*  
Offering: Benevolence

### Monday, January 29

7:00 Oasis 2.0 meets in the Loft  
7:00 Deacons meet in the Council Room

### Wednesday, January 31

10:00 Women's Bible Study meets in the Loft  
6:30 GEMS Meets in the Ed. Building  
7:00 Worship Planning meets in the Council Room  
7:30 Tribe meets in the Loft

### Sunday, February 4 ~ Cadet Sunday

9:15 Education Hour for Adults and Students  
10:00 Cadets meet at Church  
10:30 Worship Service ~ Robert W  
Message: *God Seeking Us*  
Scripture: *Ezekiel 34:11-16*  
Offering: First CRC Cadets  
11:45 Fellowship Time in the Church Basement  
6:00 Worship Service ~ Robert W  
Message: *A Holy God and Holy War*  
Scripture: *Esther 8:10-11; 9:5-6, 16*  
Offering: First CRC Cadets

### **Church Building Hours:**

8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Monday – Friday  
9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Saturday

**Doors Unlocked:** north office, east library, basement kitchen, and west side of Ed. Building

### **Church Office Hours:**

8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Monday – Friday