CHURCH FAMILY

We express our sympathy to Tina D and family with the passing of her sister, Sylvia B this past week.

Thank you for supporting our Oasis 2.0 by purchasing Easter lilies this year. Your support helps with Bible study materials, service opportunities, food, and activities. We deeply appreciate the kindness that you have shown our ministry.

The Woodyards will be taking a break this next week. Phama will fly to Kansas to spend a week with her sister. Their Asian students will travel to be with relatives. Pastor Robert will stay here to take a week to rest, study and prepare a new sermon series. We welcome your prayers for us for safety in travel and that God will bless and use this time.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

• EASTER AFTERGLOW SERVICE:

Join us again at 6:00 p.m. at Sumas CRC for a joyful celebration of the resurrection with Word, worship, united prayer and a time of fellowship with other area CR churches. An offering will be received for Child Evangelism Fellowship of Whatcom County, to equip those who labor to preach the gospel in local public schools.

• EASTER LILY PICK UP:

If you purchased an Easter lily you may pick it up following the worship service this morning.

KINGS MEN OF SONG – APRIL 8:

Come worship with us next Sunday at 6:00 p.m. as the Kings Men of Song join us and praise God through their music.

• SENIOR DINNER-TUESDAY, APRIL 10:

Anyone 70+ is invited to *An Evening with Elvis*, our Senior Dinner on Tuesday, April 10. Social hour begins at 5:30 p.m. with dinner served at 6:00 p.m. If you would like to attend, please sign up in the back of church or contact the church office at 360-354-4560 or info@firstcrclynden.org.

• YOUTH DYNAMICS CLOTHES DRIVE FUNDRAISER:

Youth Dynamics is collecting clothes, linen, shoes, etc. to be donated. Their goal this year is to collect 3000 pounds! You can drop off donations in the box in the Ed. Building. For more information, contact Tim N.

COME SKATE WITH US!

Everyone is invited to join the GEMS for a fun night of ice skating and fellowship! The GEMS have rented the entire ice rink at the Bellingham Sportsplex on Saturday, April 28 from 1:30-3:00 p.m. and you are invited to come and skate or just enjoy the show. Admission will be covered by the GEMS, but the concession stand will be open, if you would like to purchase snacks. For more information, please contact Amy V.

• CASCADE FAMILY BIBLE CAMP - JULY 5-9:

Cascade Family Bible Camp is July 5-9 at Warm Beach. Registration forms are available in the back of church or online at www.cascadefamilybiblecamp.org.

• FIRST FAMILY CAMP - SEPTEMBER 7-9:

Plan to join us for family church camp, September 7-9 at Howard Miller Steelhead Park in Concrete. This is a great time to be together and be blessed with God's family. For more information, contact Amy V.

• PARENTING RESOURCES:

In the next couple of weeks and throughout the year Dan would like to share resources with you ranging from your student's developmental stage, as it relates to their spiritual formation, parenting tips, and issues facing today's family. Parenting is an important job, and my goal is to cheer you on as you navigate these years with your kids. If you are looking for resources dealing with specific parenting issues, please let Dan know, and he will do some research and make them available for everyone. For more information, contact Dan.

• SERVE UPDATE:

** SERVE PRAYER MEETINGS COMING SOON!
In the next few weeks, you will have an opportunity to attend SERVE prayer meetings before the morning worship service. Last year was tremendous, just ask anyone that attended. Sometimes we prayed for the host team, sometimes we prayed for people that we were going to be helping, and sometimes we prayed for the groups coming. I (Dan) don't know how to explain it but gathering together, young and old, laying our request and praises before God, and praying through scripture changed me and my prayer life. I encourage you to check it out!

** CREATIVE IDEAS NEEDED -

Calling on Pinterest detectives to search for ideas for giant letters that are cheap and affordable for SERVE week. Please email ideas to Dan or send them to Dan's Pinterest page. Thank you for your help.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

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

We will have our Bowling night on Monday, April 2. We will leave First CRC promptly at 6:30 p.m. and return at 8:30 p.m. Please have your cadets wear their uniform, but do not send any money for food or games with your cadet. If you have any questions, contact Brian S.

• EXECUTIVE COMMITEE:

We will meet this week Monday, April 2 at 7 p.m. in the Council Room.

• MINISTRY TEAMS:

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

• ELDERS:

We will meet this week Tuesday, April 3 at 8:00 p.m. in the Council Room.

• WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY:

- ** **DAUGHTERS OF ZION –** We will meet Thursday, April 5 at 10:00 a.m. in the Ed. Building and study lesson 8 of the book "Growing Older and Wiser." Hostesses this week are Shirley B and Tina D. Our spring luncheon will be held at the Fairway Cafe on Thursday, April 19, at noon. If you wish to attend, please sign up at the April 5th meeting or contact Diane A.
- ** **THURSDAY PM –** We will meet on Thursday, April 5. Contact Nancy Z with questions.

• TRIBE (HIGH SCHOOL MINISTRY):

We will not meet this week because of Spring Break, but sign up today in the back of church for times to hang out with Dan for breakfast, mid-morning coffee, or lunch. You may also sign up with a friend to meet with Dan.

• DISCOVERY CLASS:

We will meet on Friday, April 6 at 7:00 p.m. at the Parsonage. For more information, call Pastor Robert at 360-354-4560.

• MEN'S STUDY:

We will meet next week Thursday, April 12 at 7:00 p.m. in the church basement. Contact Pastor Robert at 354-4560 with questions.

• OASIS 2.0 (7th - 8th MINISTRY):

Oasis 2.0 check out time slots in the back of the church for the opportunity to grab a bite to eat, a drink, or a snack with Dan. You may sign up with an Oasis 2.0 friend, if that is more comfortable. Our next meeting is Monday, April 9 at 7:00 p.m. in the Loft.

PRAYER CLOSET

- GERT V fell and broke her shoulder last week. Gert hopes to be out of the hospital and into rehab soon.
- JULIA S had her gall bladder removed Sunday. She hopes to be back at the CHCC soon.
- RUTH K has finished chemo treatments and is waiting for her next treatments. Pray for wisdom for the doctors to determine how to best treat her cancer and patience for Ruth.
- MARY K is dealing with health issues. Pray for continued healing and strength for Mary.
- BEA V is back home from rehab at the Christian Health Care Center and continues to recover from her fall.
- LOUISA H continues to deal with weakness.
- WILMA P is recovering from some broken vertebrae.
- RENA S is recovering at home from a broken pelvis.
- 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, Shirley 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 Zy
- ST. FRANCIS RESIDENT: Grace V
- REMEMBER OUR FIRST CRC MISSIONARIES:

Jeff & Melissa Ray & Angie Steve & Sandy Gary & Mary Memli & Luiza Al & Julie

Tim & Charlene Eric & Penny

Mitchell & Rochelle

Chuck

John & Jean

Ken & Chris

VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

Easter Sunday, April 1, 2018

Blaine K **Bus Driver:** Nurserv Babv: Linda T.

> Kathrvn V. Abby A

Toddler: Carly V.

Mary V. Katelyn V

Floater: Mindy V

Lance & Jessica H, **Greeters:**

Len & Bev H

Welcome: Mike & Michelle S Linsey H, Doug H, **Ushers:**

Rich H, Ken R

Sound/Video: Jed S. Jordan H Cheryl K, Nancy Z Music: Coffee: Berny & Vicky D Perlene H. Kristin H. Cookies: Kristen H. Leanne H

Sunday, April 8, 2018

Blaine K **Bus Driver:**

Nursery Baby: Michelle T, Kelli V,

Samantha T

Toddler: Janis Z. Meredith Z.

Jessica K

Floater: Kim A

PM: Gail A, Jill B

Dan & Virginia H, **Greeters:**

Randy & Kara H

Brian & Carly V Welcome: Ushers: Len H, Daniel R, Carl R, Robert S

Rick B, Jeff K

Sound/Video: Coni H Flowers:

Music: Mike S. Nancy Z

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Marilyn M, Jessica H, Cookies:

Bev H, Joyce H

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Sunday, April 1 ~ Easter Sunday

8:45 Prayer Time in the Council Room

10:30 Worship Service ~ Robert W

Message: The Foolishness of the Cross

Scripture: I Corinthians 1:18-25

Offering: Christian School Tuition Assistance

11:45 Fellowship Time in the Church Basement

6:00 Easter Afterglow Worship Service at Sumas CRC Offering: Child Evangelism Fellowship

Monday, April 2

6:30 Cadets Bowling Night meet at church

7:00 Executive Committee meets in the Council Room

Tuesday, April 3

7:00 Ministry Teams

8:00 Elders meet in the Council Room

Thursday, April 5

10:00 Daughters' of Zion meet in the Ed. Bldg.

7:00 Women's Bible Study meets in the Ed. Bldg.

Friday, April 6

7:00 Discovery Class meets in the Parsonage

Sunday, April 8

10:30 Worship Service ~ Barry B

Message: Easter's Glorious Message

Scripture: Matthew 28:1-15 Offering: Gary & Mary

11:45 Fellowship Time in the Church Basement

6:00 Worship Service ~ Gerald R

Kings Men of Song Offering: Gary & Mary

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