

CHURCH FAMILY

Birthday greetings to Edie M who celebrates her 87th birthday on May 16.

We express our sympathy to Nancy Z and extended family with the passing of her sister-in-law, Pam L.

WE WELCOME OUR NEWEST MEMBERS:

**** SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM –** Today we will celebrate the sacrament of baptism, as we welcome Rose, daughter of Todd & Emma W.

**** PROFESSION OF FAITH –** The following came before the elders to profess or reaffirm their faith:

Nathan M, Ken & Jennifer M,
Neil & Debbie M, Jack & Wendi P and son Jack, Audrey P,
Pam R, and Blake V

Pam R and Blake V will make public profession of faith and be introduced today during the morning worship service, and the rest during the morning worship service on June 3. We welcome them to the First Church family and pray we will be a blessing to them.

HIGH SCHOOL AND COLLEGE GRADUATES:

**** FIRST CRC 2018 HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS –**

Congratulations to the following students who are graduating from local high schools this year: Brant H, Mia H, Kaelan K, Doris L and Rachel N

**** FIRST CRC 2018 COLLEGE GRADUATES –**

Congratulations to Tyler S who graduated from Idaho State University with a degree in Physics. He will be attending Louisiana State University to begin his PhD program in Physics in June.

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 receive. Contact the church office at 360-354-4560 or info@firstcrlcynden.org with your information.

**** BLESS OUR GRADUATES –** You have an opportunity to bless our high school graduates by writing a word of blessing, a Bible verse, or a letter about how much they mean to you in their journals. Journals will be in the church basement until June 10 and you are welcome to write directly in the journals or on a separate piece of paper. You can also deposit your notes in the black box on the Welcome Center.

**** PARENTS OF HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS –** Please turn in a photo of your student for the graduation bulletin board into Dan H's church mailbox (G10). Graduation Sunday will be June 10 during the morning worship service.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

• COUNCIL ELECTIONS RESULTS:

Elected to the position of elder:

Jeff F, Ron K, Tim V,
and John V (2 year term)

Elected to the position of deacon:

Tabin B, Mark T, and Jason V

Please remember these men in prayer as they take on these leadership roles. The Council thanks all who allowed their names to be placed in nomination. Installation/ordination of new elders and deacons will be on Sunday, June 3.

• LYNDEN MANOR PASTOR'S LUNCH –MAY 15:

All First CRC residents of Lynden Manor are invited to lunch with the pastors on Tuesday, May 15 at 12:30 p.m.

• TIRED BUT NOT RETIRED – MAY 18:

Tired but Not Retired are planning a night of pizza & bowling on Friday, May 18 at 6:30 p.m. at Mt. Baker Lanes in Ferndale. For those interested, we can carpool from church. Sign up in the back of church or contact either Liz V or Dawn H. There is a fee for bowling, shoe rental, and pizza.

• PLAYING & PRAYING IN THE PARK:

The Women's Bible Study is hosting "Playing & Praying in the Park." Join us for a time of fellowship and fun on Wednesday, May 23 at 10:00 a.m. at Hovander Park in Ferndale. Look for new events every other week throughout the spring and summer! If you plan to attend, please RSVP to Stephanie R.

• COMBINED WORSHIP SERVICE – MAY 27:

Mountain View CRC will host a combined worship service on Sunday, May 27, at 6:00 p.m. We welcome all to attend. The offering will be for the local Seafarers ministry. We will take a financial offering for the Seafarers ministry, but we also invite you to bring supplies for the Seafarers (jackets, hats, socks, toiletries, books, Christian magazines, good DVD's and CD's). We look forward to the opportunity to worship together.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

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

This week Monday, May 14 is the Cadet's Year End Fishing Extravaganza at Meenderinck's pond. We will start at 6:30 p.m. and go till dusk (around 8:30 p.m.). All fathers, mothers, sisters, brothers are invited to enjoy a night of fishing, swimming, and food! Bring your fishing gear (if you have some) and swim shorts (if you want to swim). Cadet shirts are not needed...please leave them at home. If you have any questions, call Brian S.

• EDUCATION CURRICULUM TEAM:

We will meet Wednesday, May 16 at 6:30 p.m. in the Ed. Bldg.

• COUNCIL:

We will meet on May 15 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Room.

** All newly elected elders and deacons are requested to be at this meeting at 7:00 p.m. for the election of officers.

Council orientation for newly elected elders and deacons will be on Thursday, May 24 in the Council Room.

• TRIBE (HIGH SCHOOL MINISTRY):

Join us this Wednesday, May 23 as our seniors share their stories at 7:30 p.m. in the Loft. For some of our seniors, this will be the last youth group since LC's senior skip day is the following Wednesday. Please join us for this sad but happy time of celebrating what God has done in their lives and how these students impacted our lives.

American Tribe members, we need your help - our Asian Tribe members are heading back to their home countries for the summer, and we want to send them off with encouragement. Please write a note (memory, Bible verse, or encouragement) to Judy, Daisy, Dennis, Doris, Rachel, Cindy, and Ruby. For more information, contact Dan H.

• OASIS 2.0 (7th – 8th MINISTRY):

Our last regular gathering is Monday, May 21 at 7:00 p.m. in the Loft. Join us for this last hurrah of the spring. It's been a fun year, and we look forward to hanging out with you in the summer. For more information, contact Dan.

SERVE UPDATE

• STUDENTS COMING FOR SERVE:

We have 41 students joining us this year from Egerton, MN /Worthington MN, Alamosa, CO, and Bradenton FL. Pray for these church groups and our coordinators as they prepare for Serve beginning Saturday, June 23.

• COME PRAY WITH US FOR SERVE:

God is preparing our church and community for SERVE and we are excited! No prayer experience is required, just a willing heart and we will direct you on how to pray for SERVE. Join us at 9:30 a.m. in the Ed. Building on Sunday May 27, and June 10. For more information, contact Cal or Laura Bor Melinda B.

• HOST HOMES NEEDED:

We are looking for host homes for Sunday, June 24. As a host, you would pick up the students at church on Sunday morning, feed them breakfast, provide a shower and then bring them back to church before the morning service. If you can host, contact Carla Z.

PRAYER CLOSET

• HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES:

Pray for our high school graduates as they are busying finishing up their studies and preparing for what is next. Pray for peace, perspective, and patience for these students.

• JULIA S is dealing with declining health.

• **JOHANNA R** struggles with dizziness due to ear problems. Wearing a medical patch and dark glasses help control some of the dizziness but it does not solve the issue.

• RUTH KL is waiting for her next cancer treatments.

• **LOUISA H** continues to deal with weakness.

• 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 and Kristi N, Henrietta N, Gerrit P, Maggie S, Shirley S, Albert V, Andy 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**

VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

Sunday, May 13, 2018

Bus Driver: Bryan A
Nursery Baby: Kristin & Jessica H, Coni H
Toddler: Ardelle K, Jenna Ka, Mia H
Floater: Candace L
PM: Jessica H, Marilyn M
Greeters: Bud & Gert K, Mike & Denise K
Welcome: Josh & Jill B
Ushers: Craig G, Ken H, Linsey H, Doug H
Sound: Jed S
Video: Brant H
Flowers: Helene Y
Music AM: Lee V, Nancy Z
Music PM: Perlene H
Coffee: Elvin & Anna Lee F
Cookies: Lori M, Jill M, Leona O, Wilma P

Sunday, May 20, 2018

Bus Driver: Bryan A
Nursery Baby: Cheryl K Joan M, Alana K
Toddler: Virginia H, Jill Mc, Sadie H
Floater: Karen M
PM: Denise K, Jessica K
Greeters: Blaine & Ardelle K, Galen & Candace L
Welcome: Terry & Nicole B
Ushers: Len H, Rich H, Ken R, Dan R
Sound: Rick B
Video: Kaelan K
Flowers: Kara H
Music AM: Sharon A, Nancy Z
Music PM: Nancy Z
Coffee: Patrick Jo & Marilyn M
Cookies: Mary P, Lisa Q, Mitchell R, Stephanie R

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

First Christian Reformed Church Lynden, Washington

Sunday, May 13 ~ Mother's Day

9:30 SERVE Prayer meeting in the Ed. Building

10:30 Worship Service ~ Robert W

Infant Baptism of Rose W

Profession of Faith of Pam R and Blake V

Message: *Motherhood and the Holy Spirit*

Scripture: *Acts 2:1-13*

Offering: Ken & Chris

11:45 Fellowship Time in the Church Basement

6:00 Worship Service ~ Robert W

Message: *From Condescension to Ascension*

Scripture: *Luke 24:50-53; Acts 1:9-11*

Offering: Ken & Chris

Monday, May 14

6:30 Cadets End of Season at Meenderinck's Pond

Tuesday, May 15

7:00 Council meets in the Council Room

Wednesday, May 16

6:30 Ed. Curriculum Team meets in the Ed. Building

7:30 Tribe meets in the Loft

Friday, May 18

6:30 Tired But Not Retired Bowling at Mt. Baker Lanes in Ferndale

Sunday, May 20 ~ Pentecost

10:30 Worship Service ~ Robert W

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Message: *Pentecost Explained*

Scripture: *Acts 2:14-21*

Offering: Christian Hope Association

Love Offering: Youth Dynamics

11:45 Fellowship Time in the Church Basement

6:00 Worship Service ~ Robert W

Message: *Portraits of Failings*

Scripture: *II Peter 2:4-10*

Offering: Christian Hope Association