

COUNCIL TIDBITS

- The Harvest Dinner will be on Sunday, November 3, 2019.
- Council approved a mission trip to JAARS in May 2020.
- Council approved the removal of the large tree on the eastside of church property for liability concerns.
- The Safety presented an assessment of church items that could be a safety concern. The team has as a list of items that are being addressed.
- Elder Patrick J and Deacon Brian V will be our representatives for the first Classis North Cascade meeting on September 26. It will be held at Sonlight CRC.
- Pastor Robert W and Elder Doug V will be our representatives for the Classis Pacific Northwest meeting on October 10 at Hope in Christ Church, Bellingham.
- Elders approved to hold the memorial service for Esther Meyer on Saturday, September 28 at 1:00 p.m.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **DESSERT SOCIAL & UPDATE TONIGHT:**
The Mission Ministry Team invited Steve & Sandy to come for dessert and to update us on their work with a middle eastern people group tonight at 7:00 p.m. in the church basement. Anyone in our congregation who wants to hear or meet them is welcome to come for dessert.
- **DINNERS 8 – SIGN UP TODAY!**
What is Dinners 8?
Dinners 8 is a way to connect and get to know other people from our church family. Groups of 8 people (singles, couples or families of any age!) meet and share a meal together four times. You are welcome to join any of these groups (a single is still welcome to be part of the couple group, etc.).
What are the different groups?
** Dinners 8 Couples is a group of 4 couples or mix of couples and singles to make 8 people total.
** Dinners 8 Singles is a group of 8 singles, any age from post high to 100+ are welcome!
** Dinners 8 Families is a group of families, children included!
How do I sign up?
Sign up in the back of church or contact the church office at 360-354-4560 or info@firstcrclinden.org. Don't delay – deadline for signing up is October 1.

• **LIFE CHAIN SUNDAY – OCTOBER 6:**

Life Chain is a peaceful and prayerful public witness to pro-life Americans standing for one hour, praying for our nation and for an end to abortion. Join us on Sunday, October 6 at 2:00 p.m. in Bellingham, along the Guide between Stuart Rd. and Bakerview Rd. on the west side. For more information, visit www.lyndenhumanlife.org.

• **SERVE TOWN HALL MEETING – OCTOBER 7:**

The SERVE Team invites *everyone* to the Loft on Monday, October 7 at 7:00 p.m. There will be a time to share stories about past SERVE years as we look forward to SERVE in the future. We would love to hear how you have been involved with and experienced SERVE and answer any questions that you have about SERVE. So, if you have stories, questions, are curious about how you might be able to get involved, or just want to listen to how SERVE has affected other people, please join us! Root beer floats will be provided!

• **KEYS AND PIPES ORGAN CONCERT – OCTOBER 10:**

Lynden Music Festival presents Keys and Pipes on Thursday, October 10 at 2:00 p.m. at First CRC. For more information go to www.lyndenmusicfestival.com.

• **SENIOR SEMINAR – OCTOBER 11:**

Authors Richard & Leona Bergstrom will be speaking about their book: *Third Calling – What are you doing the rest of your life?* All seniors from the Lynden CR churches ages 55-100+ are welcome! Join us on Friday, October 11 from 9:00 a.m.- 1:00 p.m. at Sonlight CRC. Lunch is included. For more information, contact Nancy Z.

• **PARENTING CONFERENCE:**

Digging into scripture, speakers Phil & Diane Comer, will walk parents through the practicalities of raising passionate Jesus followers from the ages of birth – 22 years old. This conference will be on October 18-19 at Cornwall Church, Bellingham. Register at www.cornwallchurch.com/IP2019.

• **CUPCAKE MINISTRY UPDATE:**

If you are willing to show our high school students that we care for them by baking or purchasing cupcakes, sign up in the back of church or contact the church office. Cupcakes can be dropped off at church and they will be delivered!

• **NURSERY REMINDER:**

As we enter cold and flu season, please be mindful of bugs and germs that are easily spread. In order to keep everyone healthy, we are asking that you *not use or work in the nursery* if you had a fever in the last 24 hours or if you have a runny nose or cough. Thank you for a healthy season.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

• **EDUCATION CLASSES:**

Education classes for 3rd-12th grade and adults meet on Sunday mornings from 9:15–10:30 a.m. A nursery and Bible class is available for infants – 2nd grade in the Ed. Building.

• **DEACONS:**

Deacons will meet on Monday, September 30 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Room.

• **OASIS 2.0 (7th-8th GRADE YOUTH MINISTRY):**

Join us on Monday, September 30 from 7:00–8:30 p.m. in the Loft for a talk about the pressures of Junior High and the feeling that goes with that. We will also have laser tag and snacks. We are excited about this year, especially after such a great kickoff and look forward to seeing you all! For more information, contact Jeff & Renee L or Patty R.

• **MOMS@1st:**

** The Prayer Warrior workshop will meet this Tuesday, October 1 at 9:30 a.m. in the Loft.

** MOMS@1ST will meet next week Tuesday, October 8 at 9:30 a.m. in the Loft.

For more information, please contact Stephanie R.

• **MINISTRY TEAMS:**

Ministry Teams will meet this week Tuesday, October 1 at 7:00 p.m. unless you hear otherwise from your chairperson.

• **ELDERS:**

Elders will meet this week Tuesday, October 1 at 8:00 p.m. in the Council Room.

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

We will have our regular TRIBE meeting this Wednesday, October 2 at 7:30 in the Loft. For more information, contact Cal B or Laura B.

• **DAUGHTERS OF ZION WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY:**

Join on Thursday, October 3 as we study the book, *Heaven: Finding Our True Home*. Please study lesson 2. Our servers for this meeting will be Jennie B and Gert H.

• **MEN'S EVENING BIBLE STUDY:**

Men of all ages are invited to study *The Book of Judges: Leaders in Times of Crisis*, every other Thursday night at 7:00 p.m., starting this Thursday, October 3. For more information, contact Pastor Robert at 360-354-4560.

CHURCH FAMILY

Birthday greetings to Andy V who celebrates his 89th birthday on October 2.

Thank you for coming to our potato feed last Wednesday night. There are so many people to thank, including bakers who made goodies, parents who made chili, youth leaders who took off early from work to help, parents, students and leaders who helped wash and wrap potatoes and setup and serve. There is so much to be thankful for, especially to God for giving First Church a heart for youth. Thank you for your support and prayers. ~ TRIBE Students and Leaders

PRAYER CLOSET

- **CASCADE CHRISTIAN HOME RESIDENT:** Amy B
- **CHRISTIAN HEALTH CARE RESIDENTS:** Jennie B, Mary K, Carl F, Johanna R, Adrietta S, Joanne V
- **LYNDEN MANOR RESIDENTS:** Edie M, Kristi N, Maggie S, Albert V, Janet V, Cora V
- **MEADOW GREENS RESIDENTS:** Gussie B, Freda G, Grace H, Nellie H, Andy V, Jo V, Ruth W
- **ORCHARD PARK RESIDENTS:** Eleanor & Carol Z
- **SILVERADO CARE FACILITY:** Bennie M
- **HAUSA PEOPLE GROUP OF NORTHERN NIGERIA:**
Pray that God will pour out His Holy Spirit on the Hausa and build His church among them.
- **REMEMBER OUR FIRST CRC MISSIONARIES:**
Jeff & Melissa
Ray & Angie
Steve & Sandy
Gary & Mary
Memli & Luiza
Al & Julie
Tim & Charlene
Eric & Penny
Mitchell & Rochelle
John & Jean
Ken & Chris
Snehakunja Home – India

VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

Sunday, September 29

Bus Driver: Bryan A
Nursery Baby: Stephanie R, Trinity V
Toddler: Pam R, Kim R, Brinley R
PM: Ardelle K, Candace L
Greeters: Lee & Shelly V,
Dan & Sandi V
Welcome: Wayne & Nicki G
Ushers: Kyle E, Craig G,
Ken H, Linsey H
Safety Usher: Len H, Ted S
Sound: Rick B
Video: Jordan H
Flowers: Coni H
Coffee: Tabin & Jenny B,
Galen & Candace L
Cookies: Jodi V, Kathryn V,
Ria V, Amy V
Music AM: Cheryl K, Nancy Z
PM: Perlene H

Sunday, October 6

Bus Driver: Bryan A
Nursery Baby: Debbie S, Jordyn V
Toddler: Megan S, Rhyce S,
Mindy V
PM: Linda T, Gail A
Greeters: Wes & Liz V,
John & Kathryn V
Welcome: Josh & Jill B
Ushers: Doug H, Len H,
Fred Y, Dave L
Safety Usher: Jason V, Randy L
Sound: Rob H
Video: Li E
Flowers: Janis Z
Coffee: Elvin & Anna Lee F
Cookies: Ada V, Helene Y,
Janis Z, Meredith Z
Music AM: Ken & Lisa Q
PM: Nancy Z

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Sunday, September 29

9:30 Education Hour – Bible classes for all ages
10:30 Worship Service ~ Robert W
Bible Presentations to 3rd Graders
Scripture: *Acts 9:19b-31*
Message: *The Hater Becomes The Hated*
Offering: Benevolence
11:45 Fellowship Time in the church basement
6:00 Worship Service ~ Robert W
Scripture: *Romans 3:9-20*
Message: *The Way Up Is Down*
Offering: Benevolence
7:00 Dessert Social and Update
in church basement

Monday, September 30

7:00 OASIS 2.0 meets in the Loft
7:00 Deacons meet in the Council Room
7:00 Lynden Choral Society Rehearsal in Sanctuary

Tuesday, October 1

9:30 MOMS@1ST Prayer Warriors Workshop meets
in the Loft and Ed. Building
7:00 Ministry Team meet
8:00 Elders meet in the Council Room

Wednesday, October 2

7:30 TRIBE meets in the Loft

Thursday, October 3

10:00 Daughters of Zion meet in the Ed. Building
7:00 Men's Bible Study meets in Church Basement

Sunday, October 6 ~ World Communion Sunday

9:30 Education Hour – Bible classes for all ages
10:30 Worship Service ~ Robert W
Sacrament of the Lord's Supper
Scripture: *Aeneas and Tabitha, Arise!*
Message: *Acts 9:32-43*
Offering: Christian School Tuition Assistance
11:45 Fellowship Time in the church basement
6:00 Worship Service ~ Robert W
Scripture: *How Do You Pay an Infinite Debt?*
Message: *Psalms 49:7-9; Hebrews 10:1-4*
Offering: Christian School Tuition Assistance