ANNOUNCEMENTS

• NEW CHURCH BUILDING HOURS:

Church buildings will be unlocked during the following hours:

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

Doors unlocked during that time:

Church Building – north office door, east library door, and basement kitchen door

Education Building – west door We appreciate your patience and understanding as we all adjust to the new hours.

• OFFICE CLOSED FRIDAY, OCTOBER 6:

Please note the office will be closed on Friday, October 6.

• LIFE-CHAIN TODAY:

Stand with other pro-lifers today from 2:00-3:00 p.m. along the Guide Meridian, between Stuart Rd. and Bakerview Rd., on the west side sidewalk. You'll be a light in a darkened world as you help put an end to abortion through prayer.

• TRIBE POTATO FEED - OCTOBER 11:

Join us for a potato feed to support Tribe, our high school ministry, on Wednesday, October 11 from 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. Menu: salad bar, baked potatoes, cheese sauce, sour cream, homemade chili, BACON, broccoli, and lots of butter. This is our annual fundraiser that we do once a year to keep fundraising to a minimum. Monies raised supply Tribe with fees for service opportunities, activities, supplies, snacks, and Bible study materials. We appreciate your support!

OCTOBERFEST IN LEAVENWORTH ON OCTOBER 14: Companion a time of fellowship and the fall colors on the

Come enjoy a time of fellowship and the fall colors on the way to Octoberfest in Leavenworth on Saturday, October 14. The bus will leave early and return that evening. Everyone is welcome, but please no unaccompanied children. Sign up NOW in the back of church. For more information, contact Cora S.

• TIRED NOT RETIRED PUMPKIN FEST - OCTOBER 21:

Join us on Saturday, October 21 at 5:30 p.m. at Rich & Coni H for soup, desert and pumpkin carving. Please bring a pumpkin, carving knife and desert to share. Sign up in the back of church. For more information, contact Liz V.

• COMBINED CRC CHRISTMAS CHOIR CANTATA:

All singers are invited to perform "Come to the Manger" on Sunday, December 3 at 4:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. at Third CRC. Rehearsals will be October 18, 25, November 1, 8, 15, and 29 from at 7:00–8:30 p.m. at Third CRC in Lynden.

LAST CALL FOR UNCLAIMED DISHES:

If you are missing a container or dish (maybe from the picnic) please look in the Ed. Building. Unclaimed/unmarked dishes will be brought to Second Chance this week. Thank you.

• USED MEN'S JACKETS NEEDED FOR SEAFARERS:

The Mission Ministry Team is collecting new and used men's jackets (medium & large preferred) for the Seafarers ministry for the month of October. Many crew members reside in tropical countries and do not own jackets that would keep them warm when they work on deck over a cold ocean. Since these men are away from home for up to 10 months, used Christian CDs and DVDs would also be appreciated. Please put donations in the marked box in the Ed. Building.

• OASIS 2.0 AND TRIBE PARENTS:

Parents of 7th-12th grade students – Please fill out and return the 2017-2018 emergency permission slip found in your mailbox or on the church website. A special treat will be given to the family that turns in all their filled-out forms first.

• PLACE NEEDED FOR PUMPKIN OLYMPICS:

TRIBE would like to be able to host the international students at our annual pumpkin Olympics. We are looking for a place where we can have a bonfire, a field to launch pumpkins, and have a hayride on Wednesday, October 25. Please contact Dan H if you have or know of place we can hold our pumpkin Olympics.

• POSTERS FOR SIXTH GRADERS STUDENTS:

Sixth grade students – In your mailbox is a poster for you to create for a display in the back of the church. For more information, please contact Dan H

UPCOMING MEETINGS

• EDUCATION CLASSES:

Education classes for adults and students in 3rd-12th grades, meet on Sunday mornings from 9:30 – 10:15 a.m. You are welcome to join at any time! The adult class, *God's Story Is Bigger Than This Cultural Moment!* meets in the church basement. A nursery and Bible class for children 2nd grade and younger is available in the Ed. Building.

• MINISTRY TEAMS:

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

• ELDERS:

The Elders will meet on Tuesday, October 3 at 8:00 p.m. in the Council Room.

• GEMS (1st - 8th GRADE GIRLS MINISTRY):

We will meet this Wednesday, October 4 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, October 4 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Room.

• TRIBE (HIGH SCHOOL MINISTRY):

Join on Wednesday, October 4 at 7:30 p.m. in the Loft as we finish our discussion on friendship. Next week Wednesday, October 11, we are hosting our annual potato feed dinner. We need help on Tuesday, October 10 from 7:00-8:00 p.m. and on Wednesday anytime from 4:00-8:00 p.m.

Parents – please bring a crockpot of chili for the meal. More details are in your church mailbox. For information, contact

• WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY:

Dan H.

** Wednesday AM & Thursday PM-

We are studying *Joy Beyond Agony: Embracing the Cross of Christ*. We meet in the Loft Wednesdays, 10:00-11:30 a.m. and Thursdays, 7:00-8:30 p.m. Please prepare lesson 4 for this week. For more information, contact Phama W or Stephanie R.

** DAUGHTERS OF ZION -

Join us as we study *Miracles: Signs of God's Glory* this week Thursday, October 5 at 10:00 a.m. in the Ed. Building. Servers this week are Sharon V and Grace A. For more information, call Diane A.

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

Join us this week Monday, October 2 from 7:00 – 8:30 p.m. in the Loft where we are discussing friendships and how good friends make a huge difference in our lives. For more information, contact Dan H.

• MEN'S STUDY:

All men, young and old, are invited to join Pastor Robert in a study of the *Life of Joseph: Favorite Son, Hated Brother*. Join other brothers as we explore the challenges men face as brothers, husbands and fathers. We will explore a story with as many colors as his robe, a mix of jealousy, sibling rivalry, dysfunctional family life, suffering and how what was meant for evil, God turns for good. Join us as we wrestle with the Word of God and seek wisdom for our lives today. This study will meet every other Thursday at 7:00 p.m., starting Thursday, October 5 in the church basement. Sign up now in the back of church! For more information, contact Pastor Robert at 360-354-4560.

CHURCH FAMILY

Birthday greetings to Andy V who celebrates his 87th birthday on October 2.

Albert V is now in room #329 of Lynden Manor.

We extend our sympathy to Ken & Lisa Q with the passing of Lisa's grandmother on Thursday, September 28.

Thank you to First Church for all the prayers and support during the last year. It has been a long one. I'm finally finished with all my treatments and doing well. Thank you to Pastor Robert & Phama and Pastor Barry & Clarice for all the encouragement. God is good. ~ Marsha M

Thank you for your generous giving for World Renew for Texas and other areas affected by Hurricane Harvey. The offering received from First CRC was \$13,000.

October is Pastor Appreciation Month. Please remember Pastor Robert W, Pastor Barry B, Dan H and their wives in the weeks to come. We will be recognizing them in front of church on October 15.

PRAYER CLOSET

- **BETTY H** is recovering at the CHCC after taking a fall that broke her elbow and pelvis.
- CASE V is in rehab at the CHCC.
- CURT M continues treatment for cancer.
- MARIA T is at home continuing her treatment for cancer.
- SHELLEY L continues her recovery from a stroke.
- CASCADE CHRISTIAN HOME RESIDENT: Amy B
- CHRISTIAN HEALTH CARE CENTER RESIDENTS:
 Mary K, Carl F, Julia S,
 Ann V. and 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, Barbara P, and Adrietta S
- ORCHARD PARK RESIDENTS: Eleanor & Carol Z
- ST. FRANCIS RESIDENT: Grace V

VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

Sunday, October 1, 2017

Nursery Baby: Cheryl K, Stephanie R,

Alana K

Toddler: Michelle S, Debbie S,

Luke K

Floater: Megan S

PM: Linda T, Michelle T

Greeters: Blaine & Ardelle K

Galen & Candace L

Welcome: Dustin & Kari H Ushers: Cal B, Jake D,

Kyle E, Craig G

Bus Driver:Willie ASound:Tim HVideo:Jordan HFlowers:Susan B

Cookies: Lisa Q, Michell R,

Stephanie R, Agnes R

<u>Coffee:</u> Galen & Candace L <u>Music</u> AM: Sharon A, Nancy Z

PM: Perlene H

Sunday, October 8, 2017

Nursery Baby: Janis Z, Carla Z,

Samantha T

Toddler: Meredith Z, Kim A,

Levi M

Floater: Gail B

PM: Mindy V, Carly V

Greeters: John & Karen M, Eric & Lori M

Welcome: Linsey & Kristen H

Ushers: Sid G, Ken H,

Linsey H, Doug H

Bus Driver:Willie ASound:Rick BVideo:Brant HFlowers:Marilyn M

Cookies: JoAnn R, Chris R,

Connie R, Kim R

<u>Coffee:</u> Debbie S; Nicole B Music AM: Cheryl K, Nancy Z

PM: Shirley B

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Sunday, October 1 ~ World Communion Sunday

9:30 Education Hour for Adults and Students

10:30 Worship Service ~ Robert W

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper Message: How Can We Be Saved?

Christ Alone

Scripture: Acts 4:12; II Corinthians 5:21; I Timothy 2:5-6; I John 2:1-2

Offering: Christian School Tuition Assistance

Communion: Luke Society

11:45 Fellowship Time in the Church Basement

6:00 Worship Service ~ Robert W

Message: For Such a Time as This

Scripture: Esther 4

Offering: Christian School Tuition Assistance

Monday, October 2

7:00 OASIS 2.0 meets in the Loft

Tuesday, October 3

7:00 Ministry Teams meet

8:00 Elders meet in the Council Room

Wednesday, October 4

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

Thursday, October 5

10:00 Daughters of Zion meets in the Ed. Building

7:00 Women's Study meets in the Loft

7:00 Men's Study meets in the Church Basement

Friday, October 6

Church Office Closed

Sunday, October 8

9:30 Education Hour for Adults and Students

10:30 Worship Service ~ Robert W

Message: Works or Faith? Faith Alone

Scripture: Romans 3:21-26

Offering: TRIBE - High School Youth Group

11:45 Fellowship Time in the Church Basement

6:00 Worship Service ~ Robert W Message: Esther's First Feast

Scripture: Esther 5

Offering: TRIBE - High School Youth Group