CHURCH FAMILY

We extend our sympathy to Jerry & Ruth with the passing of their grandson, Christopher.

Join Pete & Betty and Jim & Bertha as they celebrate their 70th anniversaries this Sunday with cake and coffee following the morning worship service.

Please check out the poster on the youth bulletin board in the back of church for our students of the month. Brant is our high school senior of the month and Taryn and Aiden are our 6th graders of the month. When you view them, take a moment to say a prayer of thanks for them and also a prayer that these students would continue growing in their relationship with Jesus. Thank you being such a supporting church family.

Thank you, First CRC community, for your support over the past months (and really, the past two years) with Case's decline and death. I know God is our strength and everpresent help. God just uses so many of you, my church family, to be His hands and feet and eyes and ears. Your phone calls, cards, visits, and other expressions of support have lifted my spirit. Many of you have dropped by and offered services to help around the house and I have valued each of those offers. Many of you also dropped off food, which was also really helpful while I had extended family in town. Thank you for your love and concern.

~ Ada and family

We thank our wonderful church family for your prayers, cards, meals and many kindnesses throughout Phama's surgery and recovery. We thank our Heavenly Father for daily answered prayers and we thank you for your expressions of love and encouragement! Pastor Robert & Phama

Thank you to our First Church family for all the prayers, cards, food, and visits. They are all greatly appreciated.

~ Bob & Diane

A big thank you to the Fellowship Committee for the wonderful Harvest Dinner served to the congregation last Sunday. Thank you to the all the volunteers who helped cook, setup, serve and deliver meals.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

• MEET & GREET WITH ERIC SCHERING TONIGHT:

Tonight, we welcome to the pulpit, Eric S., a missionary First CRC supports in Papua New Guinea. Join us following the evening worship service in the church basement for a fellowship time with Eric.

• WORKSHOP WITH BRIAN S

On Tuesday, November 14 from 6:30-8:30 p.m. at the Lynden Library, Brian S, of the Lynden Toastmasters, will be leading a complimentary workshop on how to run better meetings. The workshop is free of

• PARENTS' NIGHT OUT AND MALL HUNT:

The parent night out and Mall hunt for Tribe, Oasis 2.0, and 5th and 6th graders has been rescheduled due to a scheduling conflict. Instead of Wednesday, November 15th we will try for Monday, November 27th. Please continue to sign up in the back of church is your 5th, 6th, 7th, or 8th graders are planning on coming or if you are willing to be the disguise/hunted players. Please contact for more information Dan.

• PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING:

Everyone, young and old(er) have the opportunity to contribute a word or sentence of something that they are thankful for to the morning prayer on November 19. If you would like to add your item, fill out the card in your box and returning it to Dan (G10) or at danh@firstcrclynden.org. Please have your entries in by Thursday, November 16.

• CADET POINSETTIA FUNDRAISER:

Cadets are once again selling beautiful poinsettias. They are available in red, pink, white, and jingle bell in 6" pots for \$10.00 each. To place an order, contact one of the Cadets, or place your order form and payment in the box located on the Welcome Center. Poinsettias will be available for pick-up on Friday, November 24 in the Ed. Building. Orders and payment must be received by next Sunday, November 19.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

• EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

The Executive Committee will meet Tuesday, November 14 at 6:45 p.m. in the Council Room for staff evaluations.

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

We will be meeting this week Wednesday, November 15 at 6:30 p.m. in the Ed. Building. If you have any questions, please contact Amy V.

WORSHIP PLANNING TEAM:

The Worship Planning Team will meet on Wednesday, November 15 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Room.

• OASIS 2.0 (7th-8th GRADE MINISTRY):

Oasis 2.0 we will have a normal gathering this Monday, November 13th from 7:00-8:30 pm in the Loft. For more information, call Dan.

• TRIBE (HIGH SCHOOL MINISTRY):

We will have our normal gathering this week Wednesday, November 15th from 7:30-9:15 pm in the Loft. For information, contact Dan at danh@firstcrclynden.org.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY:

** Wednesday AM & Thursday PM-

We are studying *Joy Beyond Agony: Embracing the Cross of Christ* on Wednesdays, 10:00-11:30 a.m. and Thursdays, 7:00-8:30 p.m. in the Loft. Please prepare lesson 9 for this week. For more information, contact Phama or Stephanie.

** DAUGHTERS OF ZION -

Join us as we study *Miracles: Signs of God's Glory* this Thursday, November 16 at 10:00 a.m. in the Ed. Building. We will study lesson 5 and take a Love Offering. Our servers this week will be Greta and Shirley. For more information, contact Diane.

• 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*. Our next meeting will be Thursday, November 16 at 7:00 p.m., in the church basement. Please read Genesis 40. For more information, contact Pastor Robert at 360-354-4560.

• THE 2018 SERVE:

The 2018 SERVE Host Team coordinators are Sade, Len, Steve, Ria, Laura, Gretchen, and Daniel. Please pray for these individuals and the many volunteers that these coordinators are supporting, organizing, and leading. Our next coordinators meeting is Thursday, November 16 is from 7-8 p.m. in the Education Building.

PRAYER CLOSET

- **CHRIS** is now working in Nigeria. Please keep Chris in your prayers while she is serving in Nigeria through January.
- **DIANE** is anticipating surgery at UW Medical later this month for an ovarian cyst. Keep Diane and family in your prayers as they prepare for the Diane's surgery.
- LORI is home recovering from a heart procedure.
- **PHAMA** is home recovering from surgery.
- CURT is at home dealing with the effects cancer.
- MARIA continues treatment for cancer.
- SHELLEY continues her recovery from a stroke.
- CASCADE CHRISTIAN HOME RESIDENT: Amy
- CHRISTIAN HEALTH CARE CENTER RESIDENTS:

Mary, Carl, Julia, Ann, and Joanne

• LYNDEN MANOR RESIDENTS: Edie,

Evelyn & Kristi, Henrietta, Gerrit, Maggie, Albert, Andy & Gert, and Cora

- MEADOW GREENS RESIDENTS: Dennis, Jennie, Grace, Nellie, Adrietta
- ORCHARD PARK RESIDENTS: Eleanor & Carol
- ST. FRANCIS RESIDENT: Grace

VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

Sunday, November 12, 2017

Nursery Baby: Gail, Jessica, Emily Toddler: Kristin, Bev, Carter

Floater: Marilyn

PM: Coni, Virginia

Greeters: Ken & Sherrie,

Larry & Debbie

Welcome: Jason & Amy Ushers: Jake, Kyle,

Craig, Sid

Bus Driver: Bryan Sound: Tim Video: Jeff

Cookies: Betty, Nelda,

Elaine, Ann

Coffee: Elvin & Anna Lee

Music AM: Sharon, Lee PM: Sharon, Shirley

Sunday, November 19, 2017

Nursery Baby: Denise, Karen, Elliot

Toddler: Lori, Jill, Levi

Floater: Sade

PM: Ardelle, Candace

Greeters: Brian & Nelda,

Gene & Linda

Welcome: Dan & Gail Ushers: Ken, Linsey,

Doug, Len

Bus Driver: Bryan
Sound: Rick
Video: Kaelan
Cookies: Lorna, I

<u>:</u> Lorna, Linda, Michelle, Ethel

Coffee: Patrick & Marilyn

Music AM: Shirley, Nancy

PM: Sharon

CHURCH BUILDING HOURS

Church building hours:

8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Monday – Friday

9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Saturday

Doors unlocked: Church Building - north office, east library,

basement kitchen

Education Building – west side

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Sunday, November 12

9:30 Education Hour for Adults and Students

10:30 Worship Service ~ Robert Woodyard

Sacrament of Baptism

Message: Sowing the Kingdom Scripture: Il Corinthians 9:6-13

Offering: Gary & Mary

11:45 Fellowship Time in the Basement with

cake honoring Bosman & Weg anniversaries

6:00 Worship Service ~ Eric

Message: Dry Bones and

Spiritual Empowerment

Scripture: *Ezekiel 37:1-14*Offering: Gary & Mary

7:00 Meet & Greet Time with Eric

in the church basement

Tuesday, November 14

12:00 Pastor's Lunch at Meadow Greens

6:45 Executive Committee meets in the Council Room

Wednesday, November 15

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, November 16

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

7:00 SERVE 18 Coordinators meet in Ed. Building

Sunday, November 19

9:30 Education Hour for Adults and Students

10:30 Worship Service ~ Robert Woodyard

Message: Now Thank We All Our God

Scripture: Psalm 148

Offering: Building the Future Fund

11:45 Fellowship Time in the Church Basement

6:00 Worship Service ~ Robert Woodyard

Message: A Eucatastrophe Scripture: Esther 8:1-17