

## CHURCH FAMILY

Birthday greetings to Bert who celebrates his 85<sup>th</sup> birthday on October 22.

Thank you for all the meals, help, cards and prayers for us in this past month during Michelle's stay in Seattle and after Isaac's birth. ~ Mark & Michelle and family

Thank you for the amount of donations we received from the church family. Oasis 2019 was able to make and pack 15 Kindness Kits, we have 10 more waiting to be packed up, and we have tons of donations leftover for the kids to make many more in the future. Thank you to everyone for the support for our service project and our youth group.

October is Pastor Appreciation Month. Take a moment to think about those two words – pastor and appreciation. Let's show our appreciation as an ongoing, day by day, attribute of a healthy, loving church family.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **DINNERS 8 FAMILY POTLUCK TODAY:**  
Families are invited to a potluck TODAY in the Loft following the morning worship service. You are welcome to join us, even if you haven't signed up – there will be plenty of food!
- **TIRED BUT NOT RETIRED POTLUCK – OCTOBER 25:**  
All those 40-70ish are invited to come enjoy a fun evening of appetizers, soup, cider and apple crisp along with pumpkin carving on Friday, October 25 at 6:00 p.m. at the home of Rich & Coni Hoolsema (645 E. Wiser Lake Rd.). Please sign up in the back of church if you're coming and what you can bring. Also bring a carving pumpkin and carving tools along. Prizes for best, worst, and most creative pumpkin design! 🍬  
Contact Liz Dawn at 360-354-2199 if you have any questions.
- **JOINT REFORMATION DAY WORSHIP SERVICE:**  
Join us next Sunday, October 27 at 6:00 p.m. at First CRC for our Reformation Day with area CR Churches. An offering will be received for Amor Viviente Church in Lynden.
- **HARVEST DINNER – SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3:**  
Our annual Harvest Dinner will be Sunday, November 3, following the morning service. Everyone is invited to join us as we give thanks to God. If you would like a meal delivered or a take-out meal due to health difficulties, please contact the church office at 360-354-4560 by Friday, November 1. Take-out meals will only be available to those signed up.

### • **HELP BLESS OTHERS!**

Recruits are needed to make (or purchase) and deliver meals to bless those recovering from surgery or having health issues. If you haven't been called in a while, please sign up again! Contact Marilyn to be added.

### • **NOTE FROM FINANCE TEAM:**

As you can see from the Deacon Reports, our giving is under the budgeted amount by about \$22,000 so far this year. Our ministry teams are doing a very good job of staying under budget with their expenses, but we would ask for increased giving if possible before year-end so we can fully fund our obligations. Thank you!

### • **CADET POINSETTIA FUNDRAISER:**

Cadets are selling red, pink, white, and jingle bell poinsettias 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 on the Welcome Center. Poinsettias will be available for pick-up on Friday, November 29 in the Ed. Building. Orders and payment must be received by Sunday, November 24.

### • **MOMS@1<sup>ST</sup> COOKBOOKS FOR SALE!**

You want this cookbook! It has 500 hand-picked, tried and true recipes, from quick & easy dinners to yummy desserts. You want one for yourself for sure, and they will also be here in time to give as Christmas presents! The best part, they are only \$20 and \$5 goes straight to New Way Ministries! Order forms are in your mailbox or on the Welcome Center. Turn in forms and money (checks to Moms@1st) to the box on the Welcome Center or to Mindy (box O7).

### EDUCATION BUILDING A PEANUT-FREE SPACE

Our church family has some with severe peanut allergies. To help keep our children safe, Council is requesting that the Education Building now be a peanut-free space. *Please do not send or use any food products with peanuts or tree nuts for snacks or meals in the Education Building at any time.* Also remember to wash hands thoroughly after eating any peanut products at home if you or your child will be in the Education Building. We do not want to take food allergies lightly, they can be serious and life-threatening. If you have questions, please contact the church office or talk to your Care District Elder.

## UPCOMING MEETINGS

### • **EDUCATION CLASSES:**

Education classes for 3<sup>rd</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade and adults meet on Sunday mornings from 9:30–10:15 a.m. A nursery and Bible class is available for infants – 2<sup>nd</sup> grade in the Ed. Building. \*\* Next week's topic for the *Parents and Grandparents Matter* class is Pluralism: Do All Road Lead to God.

### • **CADETS (1<sup>ST</sup> – 8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE BOYS MINISTRY):**

Join us on Monday, October 21 at 7:00 p.m. in the church basement for our cadre meeting. For more information about Cadets, please contact Brian.

### • **MOMS@1<sup>ST</sup>:**

\*\* MOMS@1<sup>ST</sup> will meet on Tuesday, October 22 at 9:30 a.m. in the Loft.

\*\* The Prayer Warrior workshop is on Tuesday, October 29 at 9:30 a.m. in the Loft.

For more information, please contact Stephanie.

### • **GEMS (1<sup>ST</sup> – 8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE GIRLS MINISTRY):**

Join us this week Wednesday, October 23 for our GEMS Mother-Daughter event from 6:30–8:00 p.m. If your mom is not available, please bring a grandma, aunt or other adult female. For questions about GEMS, please contact Gail.

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

Join us Wednesday, October 23 for our Pumpkin Olympics! We will meet at Smit Composting (9039 Guide Meridian) at 7:00 p.m. Remember to wear old clothes! Li Einfeld is to bring snacks this week. For more information, please contact Cal or Laura.

### • **WORSHIP PLANNING:**

We will meet on Wednesday, October 23 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Room.

### • **WOMEN'S EVENING BIBLE STUDY:**

Join women of all ages in studying *Nehemiah: A Heart That Can Break*, Lesson 4 on Thursday, October 24 from 7:00–8:30 p.m. in the Loft. Please contact Phama for more information.

### • **OASIS 2.0 (7<sup>TH</sup>-8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE YOUTH MINISTRY):**

Start getting you outfit ready for our painting party happening Monday, October 28 at 7:00 p.m. Check your mailboxes for an invite with info this Sunday. Can't wait to see your best Bob Ross! And great job on assembling Kindness Kits, we appreciate all your great attitudes and hard work. For more information about Oasis, contact Jeff & Renee or Patty.

## PRAYER CLOSET

- **MEGAN** is back at home recovering from surgery on her spine.
- **PAUL** as he began chemo treatment on Friday in Seattle.
- **RICK** as he is dealing with cancer that seems to be spreading.
- **RALPH** (Dan's father in Michigan) is once again dealing with cancer that has spread to his nerves and lungs. Pray for Ralph and the family as they deal with the diagnosis and reality that treatment is not an option.
- **CASCADE CHRISTIAN HOME RESIDENT:** Amy
- **CHRISTIAN HEALTH CARE RESIDENTS:** Jennie, Mary, Carl, Johanna, Joanne
- **LAKESIDE GARDENS RESIDENT:** Casey
- **LYNDEN MANOR RESIDENTS:** Edie, Kristi, Maggie Scholten, Albert, Janet, Cora
- **MEADOW GREENS RESIDENTS:** Gussie, Freda, Grace, Nellie, Andy, Jo, Ruth
- **ORCHARD PARK RESIDENTS:** Eleanor & Carol
- **SILVERADO CARE FACILITY:** Bennie

## VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

### Sunday, October 20

**Bus Driver:** Willie  
**Nursery Baby:** Mary, Elliot  
**Toddler:** Meredith, Gail, Carter  
**PM:** Anna Lee, Louise  
**Greeters:** Brian & Carly,  
Tim & Mindy  
**Welcome:** Kyle & Swandel  
**Ushers:** Carl, Robert,  
Rich, Dan  
**Safety Usher:** Woody, Darren  
**Video:** Brant  
**Flowers:** Liz  
**Coffee:** Berny & Vicky  
**Cookies:** Valerie, Gail,  
Sharon, Gail  
**Music AM:** Sharon, Nancy  
**PM:** Nancy

### Sunday, October 27

**Bus Driver:** Blaine  
**Nursery Baby:** Carla, Miranda  
**Toddler:** Kim, Noah, Janis  
**PM:** Jill, Haylee  
**Greeters:** Doug & Mary,  
Jerry & Meredith  
**Welcome:** Dan & Gail  
**Ushers:** Dan, Ed,  
Tim, Wes  
**Safety Usher:** Ryan, Lance  
**Sound:** Rob  
**Video:** Jordan  
**Flowers:** Meredith  
**Coffee:** Robert & Debbie  
**Cookies:** Jill, Nikki,  
Nicole, Gert  
**Music AM:** Lee  
**PM:** Cheryl, Nancy

### **NURSERY REMINDER**

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!

## *First Christian Reformed Church Lynden, Washington*

### Sunday, October 20

9:30 Education Hour – Bible classes for all ages  
10:30 Worship Service ~ Robert Woodyard  
Scripture: *Acts 10:23b-43*  
Message: *Gentiles Hear the Gospel*  
Offering: Christian Hope Association  
11:45 Fellowship Time in the church basement  
12:00 Dinners 8 Family Potluck in the Loft  
6:00 Worship Service ~ Robert Woodyard  
Scripture: *Isaiah 6:1-8*  
Message: *Woe is Me*  
Offering: Christian Hope Association

### Monday, October 21

7:00 Cadets meet in the Church Basement  
7:00 Lynden Choral Society Rehearsal

### Tuesday, October 22

9:30 MOMS@1<sup>st</sup> meets in the Loft

### Wednesday, October 23

6:30 GEMS Mother/Daughter in the Ed Building  
7:00 Worship Planning meets in the Council Room  
7:00 TRIBE meets at Robert & Debbie House

### Thursday, October 24

7:00 Women's Study meets in the Loft

### Friday, October 25

6:00 Tired Not Retired Potluck at Rich & Coni House

### Sunday, October 27

9:30 Education Hour – Bible classes for all ages  
10:30 Worship Service ~ Robert Woodyard  
Scripture: *Acts 10:34-48*  
Message: *The Gentile Pentecost*  
Offering: Mission and Outreach Fund  
11:45 Fellowship Time in the church basement  
6:00 Combined Reformation Day Worship Service  
~ Robert Woodyard  
Scripture: *Isaiah 6:1-8*  
Message: *Here Am I*  
Offering: Amor Viviente Church