

God's Word Gives Our Lives Direction

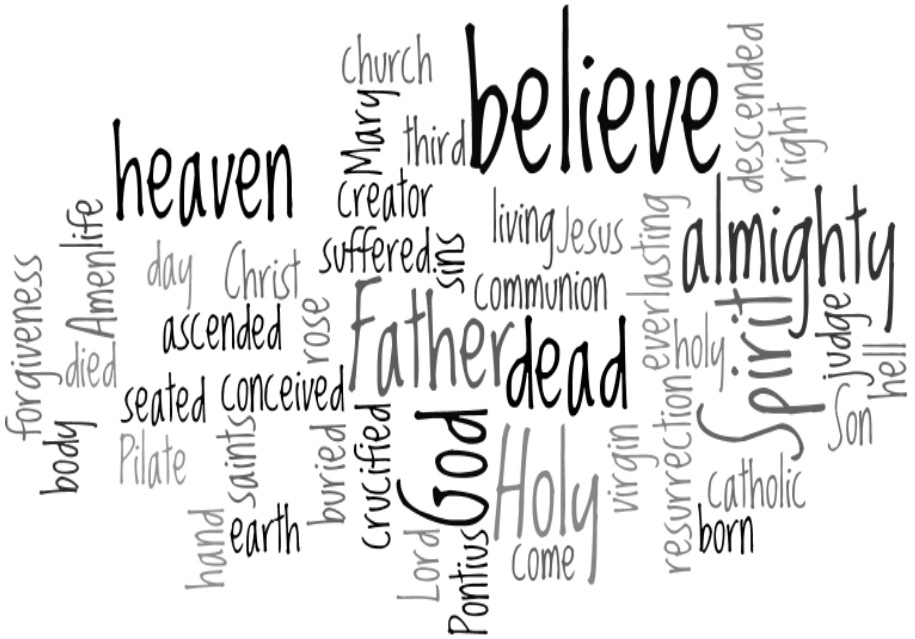


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Worship Services
10:30 AM
6:30 PM

Church School: 9:30 AM
September—May



October 13, 2019

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Welcome to First Christian Reformed Church!

Pastor John Knoester

October 13, 2019

10:30 AM Worship Service

* Please stand if you are able.

"Come Thou Almighty King"

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

* Call to Worship: Psalm 95:6

⁶ Come, let us bow down in worship, let us kneel before the
LORD our Maker;

* Opening Hymn: LYYH 492:1-4 *"Come, Thou Almighty King"*

1. Come, thou almighty King,
help us thy name to sing;
help us to praise.
Father all glorious,
o'er all victorious,
come and reign over us,
Ancient of Days.
2. Come, thou incarnate Word,
gird on thy mighty sword;
scatter thy foes.
Let thine almighty aid
our sure defense be made,
our souls on thee be stayed;
thy wonders show.
3. Come, holy Comforter,
thy sacred witness bear
in this glad hour.
Thou who almighty art,
rule now in every heart,
and ne'er from us depart,
Spirit of power.

4. To thee, great One in Three,
eternal praises be
hence evermore!
Thy sovereign majesty
may we in glory see,
and to eternity
love and adore.

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* God's Greeting / We Greet Each Other

* Opening Songs of Praise: LUYH #775: 1-3 ***"Across the Lands"***

1. You're the Word of God the Father
from before the world began;
every star and every planet
has been fashioned by your hand.
All creation holds together
by the power of your voice.
Let the skies declare your glory;
let the land and seas rejoice.

Refrain

*You're the author of creation,
you're the Lord of everyone,
and your cry of love rings out across the lands.*

2. Yet you left the gaze of angels,
came to seek and save the lost
and exchanged the joy of heaven
for the anguish of a cross.
With a prayer you fed the hungry,
with a word you calmed the sea;
yet how silently you suffered,
that the guilty may go free.

Refrain

3. With a shout you rose victorious,
wresting victory from the grave,
and ascended into heaven,
leading captives in your way.
Now you stand before the Father,
interceding for your own;
from each tribe and tongue and nation
you are leading sinners home.

Refrain

*You're the author of creation,
you're the Lord of everyone,
and your cry of love rings out across the lands.*

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LUYH #567:1-2 "Here I am to Worship"

1. Light of the world, you stepped down into darkness,
opened my eyes, let me see.
Beauty that made this heart adore you,
hope of a life spent with you.

Refrain

*Here I am to worship; here I am to bow down;
here I am to say that you're my God.
You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy,
altogether wonderful to me.*

2. King of all days, oh so highly exalted,
glorious in heaven above.
Humbly you came to the earth you created,
all for love's sake became poor.

Refrain

Bridge

*I'll never know how much it cost
to see my sin upon that cross.
I'll never know how much it cost
to see my sin upon that cross.*

Refrain

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Children ages 3 – 1st grade are dismissed for Children & Worship

"Father All Glorious"

Offering: 1st Offering- General Fund
2nd Offering– Benevolent Fund

* We Profess our Faith: Apostle's Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was
buried; he descended to hell.

The third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended to heaven

and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty.

From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic church, the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.

Amen.

* Song of Preparation: LUYH 157:1-3 ***"Meekness and Majesty"***

1. Meekness and majesty, manhood and Deity
in perfect harmony, the Man who is God.
Lord of eternity dwells in humanity,
kneels in humility and washes our feet.

Refrain

*Oh, what a mystery-meekness and majesty;
bow down and worship, for this is your God.*

2. Father's pure radiance, perfect in innocence,
yet learns obedience to death on a cross,
suffering to give us life, conquering through sacrifice,
and, as they crucify, prays, "Father, forgive."

Refrain

3. Wisdom unsearchable, God the invisible,
Love indestructible in frailty appears.
Lord of infinity, stooping so tenderly,
lifts our humanity to the heights of his throne.

Refrain

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"O'er All Victorious"

Scripture: Matthew 1:18-25 (p. 955) and Philippians 2:5-8 (p. 1162)

Message: "**We Believe in the Incarnation of Jesus**"

Time of Prayer

* Hymn of Application: LUYH #80:1-3 "**Hark! The Herald Angels Sing**"

1. Hark! the herald angels sing,
"Glory to the newborn King;
peace on earth and mercy mild,
God and sinners reconciled!"
Joyful, all ye nations, rise;
join the triumph of the skies;
with the angelic hosts proclaim,
"Christ is born in Bethlehem!"

Refrain

- Hark! the herald angels sing,
"Glory to the newborn King!"
2. Christ, by highest heaven adored,
Christ, the everlasting Lord!
Late in time behold him come,
offspring of the virgin's womb.
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see;
hail the incarnate Deity,
pleased as man with us to dwell,
Jesus, our Immanuel.

Refrain

3. Hail the heaven-born Prince of Peace!
Hail the Sun of Righteousness!
Light and life to all he brings,
risen with healing in his wings.
Mild, he lays his glory by,
born that we no more may die,
born to raise us from the earth,
born to give us second birth.

Refrain

Words: Charles Wesley, 1739, alt., P.D. Music: Felix Mendelssohn, 1840; adapt. William H. Cummings, 1856, P.D.; CCLI: 678905

During the last verse our children will be returning to the sanctuary and the elders are invited forward as we prepare for the Lord's Supper

"Come and Reign Over Us, Ancient of Days"

* We Celebrate Communion Together
Words of Institution

Prayer of Thanksgiving:

LEADER: With joy we praise you, gracious God, for you created heaven and earth, made us in your image, and kept covenant with us— even when we fell into sin. We give you thanks for Jesus Christ, our Lord, who by his life, death, and resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore we join our voices with all the saints and angels and the whole creation to proclaim the glory of your name.

PEOPLE: **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

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Preparing the Bread and Cup:

LEADER: Is not the bread that we break a sharing in the body of Christ?

PEOPLE: **We who are many are one body, for we all share the same loaf.**

LEADER: Is not the cup for which we give thanks a sharing in the blood of Christ?

PEOPLE: **The cup that we drink is our participation in the blood of Christ. Holy Father, in thanks for the sacrifice of Jesus Christ, in the joy of his resurrection, in the hope of his coming again, we present ourselves a living sacrifice and come to the table of our Lord.**

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Invitation

Distribution

LUYH #821:1-4 ***“Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence”***

1. Let all mortal flesh keep silence,
and with fear and trembling stand;
set your minds on things eternal,
for with blessing in his hand
Christ our Lord to earth descended,
came our homage to command.
2. King of kings, yet born of Mary,
once upon the earth he stood;
Lord of lords we now perceive him
in the body and the blood.
He has given to all the faithful
his own self for heavenly food.
3. Rank on rank, the host of heaven
stream before him on the way,
as the Light of Light, descending
from the realms of endless day,
comes, the powers of hell to vanquish,
clears the gloom of hell away.
4. At his feet the six-winged seraph,
cherubim with sleepless eye
veil their faces to his presence,
as with ceaseless voice they cry:
“Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, Lord Most High!”

Words: Liturgy of St. James; tr. Gerard Moultrie, 1864, P.D.; Music: French 17th c.
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LUYH #831:1-4 ***“Alleluia! Sing to Jesus”***

1. Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!
His the scepter, his the throne;
Alleluia! His the triumph,
his the victory alone.
Hark! The songs of peaceful Zion
thunder like a mighty flood.
Jesus, out of every nation,
has redeemed us by his blood.

2. Alleluia! Not as orphans
are we left in sorrow now;
Alleluia! He is near us;
faith believes nor questions how.
Though the cloud from sight received him
when the forty days were o'er,
shall our hearts forget his promise,
"I am with you evermore"?
3. Alleluia! Heavenly High Priest,
here on earth our help, our stay;
Alleluia! Hear the sinful cry
to you from day to day.
Intercessor, friend of sinners,
earth's Redeemer, hear our plea,
where the songs of all the sinless
sweep across the crystal sea.
4. Alleluia! King eternal,
you the Lord of lords we own:
Alleluia! born of Mary,
earth your footstool, heaven your throne:
you within the veil, have entered,
robed in flesh our great High Priest:
by your Spirit, lift us heavenward,
in the Eucharistic feast!

Words: William C. Dix, 1866, alt., P.D. ; CCLI# 678905

Communion

Closing Prayer

* God's Blessing

* Parting Praise: GH #634:1-3 ***"Father We Love You"***

1. Father, we love you,
we worship, we adore you,
glorify your name in all the earth.
glorify your name, glorify your name,
glorify your name in all the earth.

2. Jesus, we love you,
we worship, we adore you,
glorify your name in all the earth.
glorify your name, glorify your name,
glorify your name in all the earth.

A cappella

3. Spirit, we love you,
we worship, we adore you,
glorify your name in all the earth.
glorify your name, glorify your name,
glorify your name in all the earth.

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* Postlude

This morning, we will commemorate Jesus' death and resurrection as we celebrate the Lord's Supper. By faith, Jesus' death fully covers all our sin and by His resurrection power He gives us everlasting life. May Christ's Spirit strengthen us in faith, hope, and love as we draw near to Christ Jesus through His Spirit. *The Lord's Supper is a table of grace. All those who have received the grace of Christ and confess Him as Lord and Savior of their life are warmly invited to participate. Yet, know too that there is also 'grace' from this community of faith for those who do not yet confess Christ as Lord. And if that's the case then we encourage you not to partake until you have the genuine desire to receive God's grace and are ready to proclaim Christ as your Lord.* After joining us in worship, join us in the fellowship hall next to the sanctuary for a cup of coffee or juice and continued fellowship.

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Family Visiting - The following is the current family visiting schedule. If your family is included in the list, please expect a call from the listed Elder to arrange the day and time for the visit. If you have questions about the schedule, please call the listed Elder or call Henry Hammingh at 360-424-3019.

SEPTEMBER-OCTOBER 2019 FAMILY VISITS	
Elder	Family
Dave V	De Kok, Dennis & Melba
Dave V	Donaldson, Spencer & Janelle
Kevin K	Droog, Jeff & Monica
Kevin K	Hilsinger, Nick & Kristi
Henry VZ	Strong, Joe & Nellie
Henry VZ	Vander Pol, Larry & Margaret
Tim VH	Van Zanten, Henry & Pam
Tim VH	Kuipers, Henry & Sharon
Darrel L	Speck, Brandon & Julie
Darrel L	Klunder, John & Dena
Pastor John	Houck, Kermit & Julie
Pastor John	Klunder, Jill
Henry H	Vander Griend, Clarence
Henry H	Haagsma, Jill

Dear Friends in Christ,

The Apostles Creed is probably the most well-known ecumenical statement of our faith. It is called the "Apostles Creed" not because it was produced by the apostles themselves, but because it contains a brief summary of their teachings. It's a beautiful statement of what Christian believers in all times and places profess to believe.

In the weeks to come, we are going to make our way through the Apostles Creed and reflect on each statement of belief. Through the use of various scripture texts and confessional teachings we're going to remind ourselves of some of the central tenants of our faith.

Listed below is a 'tentative' schedule of our study, but it could easily change depending on how far we get each week. May God bless us as we embark on this study together.

In Christ,

Pastor John Knoester

- Oct. 13 – “We Believe in the Incarnation of Jesus”
Oct. 20 – “We Believe in the Suffering and Death of Jesus”
Oct. 27 – “We Believe in the Resurrection, Ascension,
and Reign of Jesus”
Nov. 3 – “We Believe in the Holy Spirit”
Nov. 10 – “We Believe in the holy catholic church and
communion of saints”
Nov. 17 – “We Believe Christ is coming again”
Nov. 24 – “We Believe in the resurrection of body and
life everlasting”

Address Change - Case Lanting has been moved to the Arlington Health & Rehab center at 620 S. Hazel St. Arlington, WA 98223.

Many of our **Monthly Missionary Newsletters** will now be printed and available to pickup from the breezeway. You will no longer receive them in your mailbox.

OUR CHURCH EVENTS

Donations for Neighbors in Need - Today, you have opportunity again to bring your donations of canned and non-perishable items for the food drive for “Neighbors in Need”. Please bring your donations in and place them in the baskets located in the foyer and the Fellowship Hall.

Choir will begin practicing in the sanctuary after coffee time today! Looking forward to having you join us! Any questions, talk to Joni Beezhold. “Praise the Lord! Sing to the Lord a new song, his praise in the assembly of the godly.” Psalm 149:1

Youth Group will meet tonight at 6:15 PM.

The **Council** will meet Monday evening at 7:00 PM.

Men's Bible Study will meet on Wednesday, October 16 at 6:30 AM at Sheri's Restaurant in Burlington.

Golden Hour will meet Wednesday at 1:30 PM. They will be working through lesson 3.

GEMS will meet Wednesday at 6:30 PM.

Youth Group Chili Contest and Pumpkin Carving Competition - Friday, October 18 at 6:00 PM. Chili check-in starts at 5:50 PM. Prizes will be awarded for "favorite" as well as "most spicy". The youth group has tools and will handle the messy clean up. Prizes will be awarded for CRC themed designs and favorite design (as voted on by the youth group). If you need a pumpkin(s), please call, text or email Eliot Blom (206-552-5954 or eliotb31@yahoo.com) by Thursday October 17, no later than 10 PM.

ADVANCED NOTICES

The **Worship Planning Committee** will meet Monday, October 21 at 6:30 PM.

The **Evangelism Committee** will meet October 21 at 7:45 PM.

Cadets will meet Wednesday, October 23 at 7:00 PM.

Young at Heart will meet Thursday, October 24 at IHOP at 12:30 PM.

Cookies or Bars - We will be having a coffee time following our joint Reformation Service on the evening of October 27. If you are willing to bring 2 dozen cookies or bars, please sign up on the sheet provided in the Fellowship Hall.

ORGANIZATIONS WE SUPPORT

Everybody's Good at Something - Morrie is convinced that he is not good at anything ... until the class takes an aptitude test. Boy, is he and all the class surprised by the results! Listen now at kidscorner.net and subscribe to KC's weekly emails for future episodes. Download this month's Kids Corner puzzle and game giveaway, The Bible Challenge Activity Book 8.

Family Fire - FAMILY FIRE is an online community exploring Spirit-led family, marriage, parenting, in-laws, blended families, and intimacy. Find encouraging articles and devotions at familyfire.com. Subscribe for regular email updates and connect with our Family Fire community on Facebook.

Groundwork - WE ARE THE LIVING TEMPLE OF GOD - God's people, the Church, are the Living Temple of God, God's very presence with his people. Join us as we study Ephesians 2:19-22 and John 1:14 to gain a greater understanding of the relationship God desires to reestablish with us and our identity as God's beloved people. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

At-Home Faith Formation Tip - Everyday Family Faith is a pocket-sized resource for parents and caregivers who want to weave faith into everyday family life in simple, natural ways. For each day of the week it provides fun, do-able ideas and activities for exploring small portions of Scripture, praying together, talking about God together, and living out faith. Check it out at FaithAliveResources.org. (Tip from Faith Formation Ministries; crcna.org/FaithFormation)

REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENT

"FREE" Music Program - Save the date and come on out Friday, October 25, 2019 @ 7pm for an "An-a-Cappella Barbershop Fall Music Show" at First Christian Reformed Church in Mount Vernon. This evening will feature a couple of local Men's Acapella Choruses, the "An-O-Chords" and the "Mount Baker Toppers" along with a local grown quartet "Free Advice". The music that is sung is in Four Part Harmony in a Barbershop Style. Contact Henry Van Zanten for any questions or if you would like to have a Digital Flyer to help promote this event or to email out to friends. Hardcopy flyers are also available in the breezeway. So, come on out, bring a friend and enjoy an evening of fun music.

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

SUN	9:30AM	Sunday School
	10:30 AM	Morning Service
	6:15 PM	Youth Group
	6:30 PM	Evening Service
MON	7:00 PM	Council Meeting
TUES	7:00 PM	Vida Nueva Bible Study
WED	6:30 AM	Men's Bible Study
	1:30 PM	Golden Hour
	6:30 PM	GEMS
FRI	6:00 PM	Youth Group Chili Cookoff & Pumpkin Carving

NURSERY

Today: Elly Cuperus, Jordan Feddema, Nathan Van Beek

Next Week: Sue Blom, Kennedy Donaldson, Trevor Blom

GREETERS

Today - Rovers: Greg & Tish Ackermann

AM: Kevin & Glenda Kok, Katie Jungquist, Martha Haarsma

Next Week - Rovers: Rich & Elly Cuperus

AM: John & Dena Klunder, Jill Klunder, Jeannette Folkertsma

USHERS

Today: Henry Van Zanten, Jr., Tim Hibma, Wiebe Van der Hoek

Next Week: Tim Van Hofwegen, Henry Hammingh, Darin Kuipers

SOUND SYSTEM

Today: Tim Hibma, Henry Hammingh

Next Week: Mardick Stevens

PROJECTION

Today: Josh Hammingh

Next Week: Nathan Van Beek

VIDEO TAPING

Today: Brandon Speck

Next Week: Tim Hibma

CHILDREN & WORSHIP

Today: Teacher: Tim Van Hofwegen

Assistants: Shanna Visser, Tessa Speck

Next Week: Teacher: Heather Van Hofwegen

Assistants: Johnna Van der Hoek, Franchesca Knoester

COFFEE HOSTS

Today: Henry & Sharon Kuipers, Keith & Jean Rasmussen,
Marinus & Jill Rouw

Next Week: Minne Van der Hoek, Larry & Margaret Vander Pol,
Bryan & Deanna Van Beek

VIDA NUEVA CHILDCARE

Today: Sylvia & Devin Van Zanten

Next Week: Vida Nueva

MINISTRY OF PRAISE

Today: Dennis De Kok

Accompanist: Shirley Boonstra

Next Week: Henry Hammingh

Accompanist: Marjo Rouw

TRANSPORTATION CARE TEAM

October 13: Henry & Jayne Hammingh

October 20: Shirley Boonstra

October 27: Dennis & Melba De Kok

OCTOBER OFFERINGS:

AM: General Fund

PM: New Earth Recovery

October 13- Second AM Offering: Benevolent Fund

6:30 PM Worship Service

* Please stand if you are able.

Pianist: Shirley Boonstra

Welcome/Announcements

Prayer for Worship

Opening Songs of Praise: Led by Dennis De Kok

LUYH #17:1,2,4 ***“Beautiful Savior”***

LUYH #170:1-3 ***“Man of Sorrows What A Name”***

LUYH #553:1,3,4 ***“How Great Thou Art”***

Scripture Readings: Genesis 14:17-20, Psalm 110:1-7,

Hebrews 7:11-28, I Peter 2:22-25, I John 2:1-2

Confession Reading: Belgic Confession

Article 21: *The Atonement*

We believe that Jesus Christ is a high priest forever according to the order of Melchizedek—made such by an oath—and that he presented himself in our name before his Father, to appease his wrath with full satisfaction by offering himself on the tree of the cross and pouring out his precious blood for the cleansing of our sins, as the prophets had predicted.

For it is written that “the chastisement of our peace” was placed on the Son of God and that “we are healed by his wounds.” He was “led to death as a lamb”; he was “numbered among sinners”⁴⁵ and condemned as a criminal by Pontius Pilate, though Pilate had declared that he was innocent. So he paid back what he had not stolen,⁴⁶ and he suffered—the “just for the unjust,”⁴⁷ in both his body and his soul—in such a way that when he sensed the horrible punishment required by our sins his sweat became like “big drops of blood falling down on the ground.”⁴⁸ He cried, “My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?”⁴⁹

And he endured all this for the forgiveness of our sins.

Therefore we rightly say with Paul that we “know nothing but Jesus and him crucified”;⁵⁰ we consider all things as “dung For the excellence of the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ,”⁵¹ We find all comforts in his wounds and have no need to seek or invent any other means to reconcile ourselves with God than this one and only sacrifice, once made, which renders believers perfect forever.

This is also why the angel of God called him Jesus— that is, “Savior” — because he would save his people from their sins.⁵²
⁴⁵Isa. 53:4-12; ⁴⁶Ps. 69:4; ⁴⁷1 Pet. 3:18; ⁴⁸Luke 22:44; ⁴⁹Matt. 27:46; ⁵⁰1 Cor. 2:2; ⁵¹Phil. 3:8; ⁵²Matt. 1:21

Message: ***“An Atoning Sacrifice”***

Time of Prayer

Offering: New Earth Recovery

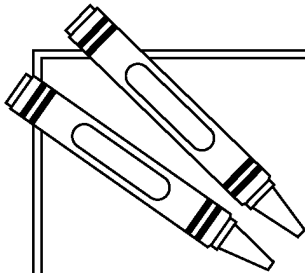
Song of Application: LUYH #796:1-3

“Oh, the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus”

* God’s Blessing

* Parting Praise: LUYH #965

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”



Just for KIDS

Worship and Celebrate

In our many different denominations and congregations, we worship in many different ways. Although we may worship differently, we believe in the same God! We go to one God in worship and celebration!

Use the code to find words and phrases of things that God's people do in worship.

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1. Praise, 2. Pray, 3. Light Candles, 4. Play Music, 5. Give Offerings, 6. Sit Quietly, 7. Communion, 8. Lift Your Hands, 9. Read Scriptures, 10. Sing, 11. Say "Amen"



How can we **PRAY** for you?

People to be remembered with prayers, cards, letters & words of encouragement. Call the church office at (336-2405) or e-mail: secretary@firstcrmv.com by Thursday of each week with your prayer items.

CONTINUING REQUESTS:

Adelaida Vega (Michelle Kuiper's mother) received the results from her CT Scan. The cancer is shrinking, and she will need to continue treatments to attack what cancer is still there.

Continue to pray for **Case Lanting** as he recovers from a stroke. His new address is:

Arlington Health & Rehab Center
Patient: Case Lanting
620 S. Hazel St.
Arlington, WA 98223.

Continue to pray for strength and healing for **Todd Klunder**.

Continue to pray for **Ryanne Vander Pol** as she continues with her IV therapy and some radiation treatments.

SHUT INS:

Nell Annema at Birchview Memory Care in Sedro-Woolley; **Wilma De Boer** at Creekside in Burlington; **Mary Koopmans** at Where the Heart Is in Burlington; **Wilma Paul** at Life Care Center in Sedro-Woolley; **Sally Ree-hoorn** at Creekside in Burlington; **Adrianna Swanson** at Creekside in Burlington; **Bev Van Slageren** at family in Grandview, WA; **Duane Van Dyke** at Where the Heart Is in Burlington; **Lona Vander Griend** at Home Place in Burlington.

OTHER REQUESTS:

Back to God Ministries International: (Russian ministry) Why do Christians ignore some Bible verses while focusing strongly on others? Isn't Christianity just a crutch? Our Russian ministry team recently answered these questions for people exploring the Christian faith. Pray that people will remain interested in thinking critically and be open to answers presented by the ministry team.

Calvin Theological Seminary: (Students) Give thanks for our newly enrolled students this fall, including those in distance-learning, online Bible-teaching certificate, and Spanish-language certificate programs. Pray especially for distance-learning students as they travel to the seminary for on-campus intensives to be held Oct. 16-21.

Chaplaincy and Care: (Educators) Five of our chaplains serve as or are training to be supervisor-educators for Clinical Pastoral Education or Pastoral Counseling Education. Please pray for wisdom and energy as they provide spiritual care to patients, and as they arrange for, teach, and supervise the training of many other chaplains and psychospiritual therapists from various denominations and faith backgrounds.

Resonate Global Mission: (Calling) People who don't know Jesus need more believers to step into God's call to mission. Pray for people considering to serve as campus ministers, church planters, and missionaries. Ask God for guidance and support so that they can share Christ's love and disciple believers.

World Renew: (Mozambique) A remote community in Mozambique encountered many difficulties trying to reach the nearest medical clinic 20 miles away. So World Renew worked to train and empower the local church to respond to this need. The congregation decided to hand-make the 60,000 bricks needed to build a local clinic. Praise God for the continued success of this program, and pray for wisdom in World Renew's mission to bring positive, lasting change to communities in need.

Back to God Ministries International: (Indonesia) Laode, a motorcycle taxi driver who grew up as a Muslim, listened to our Indonesian programs and sensed God calling him to accept Christ. Praise God! Pray for Laode now as he seeks advice on the best way to share his faith with his family.