

# **Welcome to First Christian Reformed Church!**

**Pastor John Knoester**

**November 17, 2019**

**10:30 A.M. Worship Service**

**\* Please stand in body or in spirit.**

***“God be merciful to me;  
on Thy grace I rest my plea”***

Prelude: Sylvia Van Zanten

Welcome and Announcements

**\* Opening Song of Praise: LUYH #495:1-3**

***“Come All You People, Praise Our God”***

1. Come, all you people, praise our God  
and tell his glorious works abroad,  
who holds our souls in life;  
who never lets our feet be moved  
and, though our faith has often proved,  
upholds us in the strife.
2. We come with offerings to God’s house,  
and here we pay the solemn vows  
we uttered in distress;  
to him our all we dedicate,  
to him we wholly consecrate  
the lives his mercies bless.
3. Come, listen, all who fear the Lord,  
while I with grateful heart record  
what God has done for me;  
I cried to him in deep distress,  
and now his wondrous grace I bless,  
for he has set me free.

PSALM 66; Words: Psalter, 1912, P.D.;

Music: Charles H. Gabriel, (1856-1932), P.D. CCLI #678905

**\* God’s Greeting / We Greet Each Other**

***“Plenteous in compassion Thou,  
blot out my transgressions now;”***

**\* Song of Worship: “Is He Worthy” vs. 1-3**

**Soloist (Congregation Responds)**

1. Do you feel the world is broken? (We do.)  
Do you feel the shadows deepen? (We do.)  
But do you know that all the dark  
won't stop the light from getting through? (We do.)  
Do you wish that you could see it all made new? (We do.)

### **Soloist (Congregation Responds)**

2. Is all creation groaning? (It is.)  
Is a new creation coming? (It is.)  
Is the glory of the Lord  
to be the light within our midst? (It is.)  
Is it good that we remind ourselves of this? (It is.)

### **Everyone Sings**

#### *Chorus 1*

*Is anyone worthy? Is anyone whole?  
Is anyone able to break the seal and open the scroll?  
The Lion of Judah who conquered the grave,  
He is David's Root and the Lamb  
who died to ransom the slave.  
Is He worthy, is He worthy  
of all blessing and honor and glory?  
Is He worthy of this? He is.*

### **Soloist (Congregation Responds)**

3. Does the Father truly love us? (He does.)  
Does the Spirit move among us? (He does.)  
And does Jesus our Messiah,  
hold forever those He loves? (He does.)  
Does our God intend to dwell again with us? (He does.)

### **Everyone Sings**

#### *Chorus 2*

*Is anyone worthy? Is anyone whole?  
Is anyone able to break the seal and open the scroll?  
The Lion of Judah who conquered the grave,  
He is David's Root and the Lamb  
who died to ransom the slave.  
  
From ev'ry people and tribe, every nation and tongue,  
He has made us a kingdom and priests  
to God to reign with the Son.  
  
Is He worthy, is He worthy  
of all blessing and honor and glory?  
Is He worthy, is He worthy? Is He worthy of this? He is.*

### **Ending**

Is He worthy, is He worthy? He is. He is.  
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Call to Confession:

Sung Prayer of Confession: LUYH#622:1-4 **“God Be Merciful to Me”**

1. God, be merciful to me,  
on your grace I rest my plea;  
Wash me, make me pure within;  
cleanse, O cleanse me from my sin.

*Refrain*

*God, be merciful to me,  
on your grace I rest my plea.*

2. My transgressions I confess;  
grief and guilt my soul oppress.  
I have sinned against your grace  
and provoked you to your face.

*Refrain*

3. I am evil, born in sin;  
you desire truth within.  
Make me pure, your mercy show;  
wash me whiter than the snow.

*Refrain*

4. Let my contrite heart rejoice  
and in gladness hear your voice;  
from my sins, O hide your face,  
blot them out in boundless grace.

*Refrain*

PSALM 51:1-9; Words: *Psalter*, 1912, alt., Christopher Miner © 1998 Christopher Miner Music; CCLI #678905

Words of Assurance:

Song of Thanksgiving: ***“This My Only Comfort”***

1. This, my only comfort in my life and in my death:  
You have fully paid for all my sins and all my debts  
even when I struggle to believe:  
with your precious blood you’ve set me free.

*Chorus*

*I am not my own but belong body and soul,  
in my life and in death to you Lord, Christ my Lord.*

2. You preserve my life in such a way that without you  
not a hair can fall from me unless you will it to  
even when I'm lost in desperation  
all things work together for my salvation.

*Chorus*

Heidelberg Catechism

Q 1. What is your only comfort in life and in death?

- A. That I am not my own,<sup>1</sup> but belong—body and soul,  
in life and in death—<sup>2</sup> to my faithful Savior,  
Jesus Christ.<sup>3</sup> He has fully paid for all my sins  
with his precious blood,<sup>4</sup> and has set me free  
from the tyranny of the devil.<sup>5</sup>  
He also watches over me in such a way<sup>6</sup>  
that not a hair can fall from my head  
without the will of my Father in heaven;<sup>7</sup>  
in fact, all things must work together for my  
salvation.<sup>8</sup> Because I belong to him, Christ, by  
his Holy Spirit, assures me of eternal life<sup>9</sup> and

makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready  
from now on to live for him.<sup>10</sup>

<sup>1</sup> 1 Cor. 6:19-20; <sup>2</sup> Rom. 14:7-9; <sup>3</sup> 1 Cor. 3:23; Titus 2:14;

<sup>4</sup> 1 Pet. 1:18-19; 1 John 1:7-9; 2:2;

<sup>5</sup> John 8:34-36; Heb. 2:14-15; 1 John 3:1-11;

<sup>6</sup> John 6:39-40; 10:27-30; 2 Thess. 3:3; 1 Pet. 1:5;

<sup>7</sup> Matt. 10:29-31; Luke 21:16-18;

<sup>8</sup> Rom. 8:28; <sup>9</sup> Rom. 8:15-16; 2 Cor. 1:21-22; 5:5;

Eph. 1:13-14; <sup>10</sup> Rom. 8:1-17

3. Therefore by your Holy Spirit you assure me  
of eternal life and make me willing and ready  
even when I can't see my way through  
from now on to always live for you.

*Chorus (2x)*

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*Following the conclusion of this song children ages 3-1st  
grade are dismissed to the Koinonia Room for Children's Worship.*

Offering: General Fund

- \* We Profess our Faith: Apostles' Creed (GH pg. 813)

**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#762:1-2 "**Ancient Words**"

1. Holy words long preserved  
for our walk in this world,  
they resound with God's own heart,  
O let the ancient words impart.  
Words of life, words of hope,  
give us strength, help us cope.  
In this world where'er we roam  
ancient words will guide us home.

*Chorus*

*Ancient words, ever true, changing me, changing you.  
We have come with open hearts,  
O let the ancient words impart.*

2. Holy words of our faith  
handed down to this age,  
came to us through sacrifice.  
O heed the faithful words of Christ.  
Holy words long preserved  
for our walk in this world,  
they resound with God's own heart.  
O let the ancient words impart.

*Chorus*

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***“Wash me, make me pure within;”***

Scripture Readings:

John 12:37-50 (pg. 1066); II Thessalonians 1:3-12 (pg. 1172)

Prayer of Illumination

Message: ***“He Will Come Again to Judge the Living and the Dead”***

Time of Prayer

\* Hymn of Application: LUYH #489:1-2 ***“By the Sea of Crystal”***

1. By the sea of crystal saints in glory stand,  
myriads in number, drawn from every land.  
Robed in white apparel, washed in Jesus' blood,  
they now reign in heaven with the Lamb of God.
2. Out of tribulation, death, and Satan's hand,  
they have been translated at the Lord's command.  
In their hands they're holding palms of victory.  
Hark! the jubilant chorus shouts triumphantly:

***“Cleanse, O cleanse me from my sin.”***

\* God's Blessing

\* Parting Praise: LUYH #489:3 ***“By the Sea of Crystal”***

3. “Unto God Almighty, sitting on the throne,  
and the Lamb, victorious, be the praise alone.”  
God has wrought salvation; he did wondrous things.  
Who shall not extol thee, holy King of kings!

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\* Postlude

**Welcome!** A hearty welcome to each of you! It is a genuine joy to have everyone here for worship, for fellowship, for learning more about the Christian way and for preparing for a new week of service. God has been good to us! Let us join together to praise the Lord. After the morning service all are invited to the fellowship hall next to the sanctuary for a cup of coffee or juice and continued fellowship.

## OUR CHURCH FAMILY

**Sunday School Service Opportunity (and Adults!):** For the month of November we are focusing on making 22 care packages for our college age young adults and older. We want them to know that we care about them. Some ideas might be baked goodies, homemade gifts, letters/cards of encouragement, gift cards, etc. You may place your items in the labeled basket that will be on the table across from the kitchen or give them to Julie Speck by **TODAY**.

**Welcome Baby Basket:** Welcome to little Bailey Kay See! There is a basket in the annex ready to be filled with gifts for Bailey and her family. Let's have some fun welcoming the newest member into our church family! Next Sunday, November 24 is the week to bring something.

**Family Visiting:** The following is the current family visiting schedule for November & January. 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.

NOVEMBER-JANUARY 2019/2020 FAMILY VISITS		
Elder	Deacon	Family
Dave V	Jack VK	Boonstra, Shirley
Dave V	Jack VK	De Groot, Marjean
Kevin K	Randy B	De Vries, Alice
Kevin K	Randy B	Haarsma, Martha
Henry VZ	Mardick S	Klunder, Clarence & Eleanor
Henry VZ	Mardick S	Rasmussen, Keith & Jean
Tim VH	Brad DK	Kok, Kevin & Glenda
Tim VH	Brad DK	Pippel, Bob & Andy
Darrel L	Dan VK	Reehoorn, Sally
Darrel L	Dan VK	Van Zanten, Hank & Sylvia
Pastor John	Rich C	Vander Kooy, Daniel & Briana
Pastor John	Rich C	Vander Veen, Henry & Anjean
Henry H	Mardy S	VanDyke, Duane & Trudy
Henry H	Mardy S	Visser, Dave

**Note from the Deacons:** For offerings, please make all checks payable to First CRC. The money will then go to whatever the offering is for that day or to the cause you indicate in the memo line on the check. It helps if you don't make the check out to that specific organization.

## OUR CHURCH EVENTS

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

Nov. 17 – "We Believe Christ is coming again"

Nov. 24 – "We Believe in the resurrection of body and life everlasting"

**Choir** will meet for practice in the sanctuary after coffee time today.

**Youth Group** will meet tonight at 6:15 p.m.

A **Blood Draw** will be held on Monday, November 18, from 12:00 p.m.—6:00 p.m. (closed from 2:00 p.m. - 2:45 p.m.) at First Christian Reformed Church in the Fellowship Hall. Come and give so others may live.

**Golden Hour** will meet Wednesday, November 20 at 1:30 PM. Study lesson 5.

**GEMS** will meet Wednesday, November 20 at 6:30 PM. This will be their Father/Daughter event.

**Cookies:** You have an opportunity to sign-up to bring 2-3 dozen cookies or bars for the Celtic Christmas Concert which benefits New Earth Recovery on Tuesday, December 3 at 7:00 p.m. The sign-up sheet is on the coffee table in the Fellowship Hall.

### **ADVANCED NOTICES**

The **Elders & Deacons** will meet on Monday, November 25 at 7:00 p.m.

**Men's Bible Study** will meet on Wednesday, November 27 at 6:30 a.m. at Sheri's Restaurant in Burlington.

Our **Thanksgiving Eve Service** will be held on Wednesday, November 27 at 7:00 p.m.

The **Candlelight Service** will be held on Sunday, December 15 at 6:30 p.m.

**Christmas Day Service** will be held on December 25 at **10:00 a.m.**

### **ORGANIZATIONS WE SUPPORT**

**Groundwork: Building Blocks for Biblical Success:** How can we deal with opposition when we are trying to rebuild after our life has fallen apart in some way? Study Nehemiah 2:11-18, Nehemiah 4:1-15, and Nehemiah 5:1-12 with Groundwork to discover what we can learn from Ezra and Nehemiah's experience with opposition. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

**What's the Big Deal?** - What's the big deal about little sins? Why is Liz's dad so upset when Liz didn't do anything really bad? Listen now at kidscorner.net and subscribe to KC's weekly emails for future episodes. Download KC's Advent Gifts of Kindness devotionals to lead your family's Bible study as you prepare for Christmas.

**At-Home Faith Formation Tip** - In Liturgy of the Ordinary (IVP 2016), Tish Warren writes, "In my daily life I've developed habits of impatience—of speeding ahead, of trying to squeeze more into my cluttered day. How can I live as one who watches and waits for the coming kingdom when I can barely wait for water to boil?" As the Advent season draws near, how might you more fully embrace the discipline of waiting in your everyday home life? (Tip from Faith Formation Ministries; [crcna.org/FaithFormation](http://crcna.org/FaithFormation))

**Prepare Your Heart:** Starting December 2, 2019, World Renew and the CRC Office of Social Justice will distribute a free email devotional to your inbox during Advent. Don't let Christmas presents overtake the Christmas Presence. Sign up to receive reflections on this year's theme of How Long, Lord? every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday through Christmas Day. How Long, Lord? will explore how witnessing destruction and injustices can often lead us to ask the same question that God's people and the prophets in the Bible asked: "How Long, Lord?" Yet, in the midst of asking that question, we can have hope that our pain will not be forever and that the God who made us is with us, now and forever. Go to [crcna.org/advent](http://crcna.org/advent) to sign up today!

**A Jesse Tree Family Devotional:** A family devotional and craft for Advent from Today. Focus your family on the coming Christ. Share devotions together and color ornaments to explore the stories and symbols foretelling the promised Messiah. To get it, subscribe to Today for free at [TodayDevotional.com/jessetree](http://TodayDevotional.com/jessetree).

**Free Advent Jesse Tree Resource** - Jesse Tree: God's Big Advent Story is now available FREE for CRC families! This downloadable package from Faith Alive and Faith Formation Ministries includes 25 simple devotions that are great for kids of various ages and printable story symbol ornaments that follow God's story from creation to the birth of Jesus. Each day's reading invites families to read and wonder about a Bible story together, pray together, and step away from the busyness of the season. Learn more and download the devotions and symbols at [tinyurl.com/DwellJesseTree](http://tinyurl.com/DwellJesseTree).

**A Musical Benefit for New Earth Recovery:** Join the NOEL ensemble in concert and celebrate the wonder of a medieval Christmas with Celtic and classical harp, flute, strings, and poetry-with treats following. This will be held on Tuesday, December 3, 2019 at First Christian Reformed Church in Mount Vernon. Free event with a freewill offering.

### **REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Fountain View Academy** Choir and Orchestra is returning to our area for the 4<sup>th</sup> year in a row and is, for the 2<sup>nd</sup> year, coming to Mount Vernon First Christian Reformed Church on December 5 at 7:00 p.m. This world-renowned Choir and Orchestra is on their west coast tour starting in Mount Vernon and continuing on to mid California for the next few weeks. Come and enjoy a free concert of up to 100 young people praising God with voices and instruments as they perform a variety of Christmas carols and classics. We hope to see you there and feel free to invite friends.

### **CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK**

SUN	10:30 AM	Morning Service
	11:45 AM	Choir Rehearsal
	6:15 PM	Youth Group
	6:30 PM	Evening Service
MON	12:00 PM	Blood Drive at First CRC
TUES	7:00 PM	Vida Nueva Bible Study
WED	1:30 PM	Golden Hour
	6:30 PM	GEMS Father/Daughter Event

### **NURSERY**

**Today:** Michele Feddema, Josie Droog, Hannah Van Hofwegen

**Next Week:** Beth Boon, Rayahna Oostra, Carson Blom

**Thanksgiving Eve:** Sue Blom, Joel Link, Caleb Link

### **GREETERS**

**Today - Rovers:** Greg & Tish Ackermann

**AM:** Minne Van der Hoek, Daniel & Briana Vander Kooy

**Next Week:** Rich & Elly Cuperus

**AM:** Mardick & Jill Stevens, Henry & Anjean Vander Veen

### **USHERS**

**Today:** Tim Hibma, Henry Hammingh, Wiebe Van der Hoek

**Next Week:** Larry Greidanus, Henry Van Zanten, Darin Kuipers

**Thanksgiving Eve:** Larry Greidanus, Henry Van Zanten, Darin Kuipers

### **SOUND SYSTEM**

**Today:** Mardick Stevens

**Next Week:** Henry Van Zanten Jr, Devin Van Zanten

**Thanksgiving Eve:** Tim Hibma

### **PROJECTION**

**Today:** Tim Hibma

**Next Week:** Nathan Van Beek

**Thanksgiving Eve:** Josh Hammingh



### **VIDEO TAPING**

**Today:** Mike Hibma

**Next Week:** Tim Hibma

**Thanksgiving Eve:** Brandon Speck

### **CHILDREN & WORSHIP**

**Today:**

Teacher: Heather Van Hofwegen

Assistants: Beth Boon, Emma Droog

**Next Week:**

Teacher: Tim Van Hofwegen

Assistants: Monica Droog, Carson Blom

### **COFFEE HOSTS**

**Today:** Wayne & Rhea Doss, Larry & Maxine Greidanus, Jeannette Folkertsma

**Next Week:** Katie Jungquist, Clarence & Eleanor Klunder, Jill Klunder

### **VIDA NUEVA CHILDCARE**

**Today:** Vida Nueva

**Next Week:** Vida Nueva

### **MINISTRY OF PRAISE**

**Today:** Melba De Kok Accompanist: Sylvia Van Zanten

**Next Week:** Henry Kuipers Accompanist: Joann Orange

### **TRANSPORTATION CARE TEAM**

**November 17:** Henry & Jayne Hammingh

**November 24:** Dennis & Melba De Kok

### **OFFERING:**

**November 17,24**

**AM:** General Fund

**PM:** Campus Christian Fellowship (Skagit Valley College)

**November 27—Thanksgiving Eve**

**PM:** Undesignated gifts go to Northwest Hispanic Ministry

### **6:30 P.M. Worship Service**

Pianist: Sylvia Van Zanten

Welcome/Announcements

Prayer for Worship

Opening Songs of Praise: Led by Melba De Kok

**"For the Fruit of All Creation"** LUYH #396:1-3

**"Now Thank We All Our God"** LUYH #543:1 & 3

**"Come, You Thankful People, Come"** LUYH #473:1, 2, 4

Scripture Readings: Exodus 20:1-17; Matthew 5:17-20; Romans 6:15-23

Confession Reading: Belgic Confession Article 25

### ***The Fulfillment of the Law***

We believe that the ceremonies and symbols of the law have ended with the coming of Christ, and that all foreshadowings have come to an end, so that the use of them ought to be abolished among Christians.

Yet the truth and substance of these things remain for us in Jesus Christ, in whom they have been fulfilled.

Nevertheless, we continue to use the witnesses drawn from the law and prophets to confirm us in the gospel and to regulate our lives with full integrity for the glory of God, according to the will of God.

Message: ***“The Fulfillment of the Law”***

Time of Prayer

Offering: Campus Christian Fellowship (Skagit Valley College)

Song of Application: ***“Living for Jesus”*** vs. 1-3

1. Living for Jesus a life that is true,  
striving to please Him in all that I do;  
yielding allegiance, glad hearted and free,  
this is the pathway of blessing for me.

*Refrain*

*O Jesus, Lord and Savior, I give myself to You,  
for You, in Your atonement, didst give Yourself for me.  
I own no other Master, my heart shall be Your throne;  
my life I give, henceforth to live, O Christ, for You alone.*

2. Living for Jesus who died in my place,  
bearing on Calvary my sin and disgrace:  
such love constrains me to answer His call,  
follow His leading and give him my all.

*Refrain*

3. Living for Jesus wherever I am,  
doing each duty in His holy name,  
seeking the lost ones He died to redeem,  
bringing the weary to find rest in Him.

*Refrain*

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\* God's Blessing

\* Parting Praise: LUYH #965 ***“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”***



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

**NEW CONCERNS:**

**Wilma De Boer** has been at Skagit Valley Hospital this past week with heart problems and is very weak. Pray for strength for each day.

**CONTINUING REQUESTS:**

**Adelaida Vega** (Michelle Kuiper's mother) recent scan showed that her cancer continues to shrink. She will continue with chemo once every three weeks. Continue to pray for healing.

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.

Continue to pray for those who have recently lost loved ones.

**SHUT INS:**

**Nell Annema** at Birchview Memory Care in Sedro-Woolley; **Mary Koopmans** at Where the Heart Is in Burlington; **Case Lanting** at Arlington Health & Rehab Center; **Wilma Paul** at Life Care Center in Sedro-Woolley; **Sally Reehoorn** 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:**

**Chaplaincy and Care Ministry: Care facilities** - With our society's aging demographics, a growing number of our chaplains work in retirement villages, nursing homes, and long-term care facilities. Pray that they may be a light of hope and encouragement for all who live in these care centers.

**Safe Church Ministry: Conference** - Please pray for the safe church team in British Columbia as they host a regional safe church conference today. Plenary speaker Jay Stringer will discuss sexual brokenness, and several workshops will focus on topics related to abuse prevention and response. Pray for fruitful learning and for blessed conversations and connections for all who attend.

**Back to God Ministries International: Portuguese ministry** - Pray for Juliana, a follower of our Portuguese ministry. Her husband left her after six years of marriage, and she has since fallen into a deep depression. Pray that God will comfort Juliana in this painful time.

**World Renew: Zambia** - Through sustainable agricultural programs, farmers are trained in natural land restoration and enhancement techniques. In just one year, 482 farmers in Zambia adopted the intercropping method, producing greater yields for their families. Praise God for the continued success of such projects and for the positive, lasting changes they bring to communities.

**Resonate Global Mission: Texas** - Pray for Vida Nueva, a Resonate church plant partner in Texas. Pray for this church as they disciple individuals and families into greater faith.

**Office of Social Justice: Focus** - Please ask that OSJ staff members and the churches they work with may have God's wisdom and energy to work with politicians to address long-term systemic justice issues. May they use the full extent of their gifts and talents to the glory of God and see the fruits of their labors.

***CRC Communications: Military members and families*** - Today is Remembrance Day in Canada and Veterans Day in the United States. As we remember all who have died defending our freedoms and as we honor veterans who have served, please pray for all our military personnel and their families. Give thanks for all who have served and sacrificed for their countries.