Welcome to First Christian Reformed Church! January 30, 2022 10:30 A.M. Worship Service

* Please stand in body or in spirit.

"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!"

Prelude

Welcome/Announcements

* Call to Worship:

Leader:	Hallelujah! Praise!
	Praise God in the temple, in the highest heavens!

People: Praise! Praise God's mighty deeds and noble majesty.

Leader: All that is alive, praise!

People: Praise the Lord. Hallelujah!

* Hymn of Praise: LUYH #575 v. 1-4 "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

- Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
 O my soul praise him, for he is your help and salvation!
 Come, all who hear; brothers and sisters, draw near.
 Join me in glad adoration!
- Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is wondrously reigning, sheltering you under his wings, oh, so gently sustaining. Have you not seen all that is needful has been sent by his gracious ordaining?
- Praise to the Lord, who will prosper your work and defend you; surely his goodness and mercy shall daily attend you. Ponder anew what the Almighty can do as with his love he befriends you.

- Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore Him! All that has life and breath, come now with praises before Him! Let the amen sound from his people again. Gladly forever adore him! Words: Joachim Neander, 1680; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1863, alt., P.D.; Music: (LOBE DEN HERREN): Ernewerten Gesangbuch, Stralsund, 1665; desc. Craig S. Lang (1891-1971) © Novello and Co., Ltd. Admin. G. Schirmer, Inc.; CCLI #678905
- * God's Greeting:

Leader:	The Lord be with you.
People:	And also with you.
Leader:	May the love of God the Father, and the grace of Jesus the Son, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be and abide with us all.
People:	Amen!

* We Greet One Another

* Hymn of Praise: LUYH #560 v. 1-3 "We Praise You, O God"

- We praise you, O God, our Redeemer, Creator; in grateful devotion our tribute we bring. We lay it before you, we kneel and adore you; we bless your holy name, glad praises we sing.
- We worship you, God of our fathers and mothers; through life's storm and tempest our guide you have been. When perils o'ertake us, you never forsake us. And with your help, O Lord, our battles we win.
- With voices united our praises we offer; our songs of thanksgiving to you we now raise. Your strong arm will guide us, our God is beside us. To you, our great Redeemer, fore'er be praise! Words: Julia C. Cory, 1902, alt., P.D.; Music: a. Valerius, Nederlandtsch Gedenckclandk, 1626, P.D.; CCLI# 678905

(Immediately following the hymn the children are invited forward for the Children's Message)

"O my soul, praise him, for he is your health and salvation!"

Children's Message – Mrs. Marjo Rouw

(Following the children's message children ages 3-3rd grade are invited to make their way to Children in Worship in the Fellowship Hall)

* Hymn of Preparation: LUYH #568 v. 1-4 "I Will Sing of My Redeemer"

 I will sing of my Redeemer and his wondrous love to me; on the cruel cross he suffered, from the curse to set me free.

Refrain

Sing, oh, sing of my Redeemer, with his blood he purchased me; on the cross he sealed my pardon, paid the debt, and made me free.

 I will tell the wondrous story, how my lost estate to save, in his boundless love and mercy he the ransom freely gave.

Refrain

 I will praise my dear Redeemer, his triumphant power I'll tell, how the victory he giveth over sin and death and hell.

Refrain

4. I will sing of my Redeemer and his heavenly love to me; He from death to life has brought me, Son of God, with him to be.

Refrain

Words: Philip P. Bliss, 1878; Music: James McGranahan; Public Domain, CCLI #678905

"Come, all who hear; brothers and sisters, draw near," Scripture Reading: Luke 5:1-11 (Pew Bible pg. 1019)

Prayer of Illumination

Message: "The Life and Ministry of Jesus – Calling of the First Disciples"

Time of Prayer

"Join me in glad adoration!"

- * Song of Application: LUYH #742 1-3, 5 "Will You Come and Follow Me"
 - Will you come and follow me, if I but call your name?
 Will you go where you don't know and never be the same?
 Will you let my love be shown, will you let my name be known, will you let my life be grown in you, and you in me?
 - Will you leave yourself behind, if I but call your name? Will you care for cruel and kind and never be the same? Will you risk the hostile stare should your life attract or scare? Will you let me answer prayer in you, and you in me?
 - Will you let the blinded see, if I but call your name? Will you set the prisoners free and never be the same? Will you kiss the leper clean, and do such as this unseen, and admit to what I mean in you, and you in me?

 Lord, your summons echoes true when you but call my name. Let me turn and follow you and never be the same. In your company I'll go where your love and footsteps show. Thus I'll move and live and grow in you, and you in me. Words: The Iona Community © 1987 Wild Goose Resource Group, Iona Community, Scotland, GIA Publications, Inc., exclusive North American agent; Music: Scottish traditional; arr. John L. Bell © 1987 wild Goose Resource Group, Iona Community, Scotland, GIA publications, Inc., exclusive North American agent; OneLicense.net License #A-711218

Offering

Offertory

* We Profess our Faith: Apostles Creed

And now let us join together in love, and with one heart and one voice profess the faith of the church at all times and in all places:

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. —Apostles' Creed * God's Blessing:

* Parting Praise: LUYH #43 v. 1-3 "Guide Me, O My Great Redeemer"

- Guide me, O my great Redeemer, pilgrim through this barren land; I am weak, but you are mighty; hold me with your powerful hand. Bread of heaven, bread of heaven, feed me now and evermore, feed me now and evermore.
- Open now the crystal fountain, where the healing waters flow. Let the fire and cloudy pillar lead me all my journey through. Strong Deliverer, strong Deliverer, ever be my strength and shield, ever be my strength and shield.
- When I tread the verge of Jordan, bid my anxious fears subside.
 Death of death, and hell's destruction, land me safe on Canaan's side.
 Songs of praises, songs of praises
 I will ever sing to you,
 I will ever sing to you.

Words: William Williams, 1745; st. 1 tr. Peter Williams, 1771, alt; st. 2-3 tr. William Williams, 1772, alt., P.D.; Music: John Hughes, 1907, P.D.; CCLI# 678905

Postlude

Welcome! "O sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done marvelous things" (Psalm 98:1, NRSV). We gather to sing to the Lord and celebrate his work in our lives. 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.

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OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Congratulations to **Cody and Angela See** on the birth of little Mason! We have starting a Meal Train for them, similar to that which was set up for the DeKoks. The link is: <u>https://www.mealtrain.com/trains/rqyvkw</u> Again, if you aren't computer savvy or are unable to open the link, please call **Heather Van Hofwegen at (425) 923-6446.**

To further aid simplifying giving when we can't all be at church, First CRC now provides options to give your tithes and offerings electronically. You are now able to donate using a credit or debit card, as well as give directly from a bank account. Check the church's website: http:// www.firstcrcmv.com for more information on these and other giving options.

The Meal Train for Dennis and Melba DeKok is complete through the first week in February! If we add additional dates as time goes by I will let you know and send out the link. Thank you for your kind hearts!

Worship Service YouTube Link:

Jan. 23 Morning Service: https://youtu.be/PHrxRSi0Gfc

We have accumulated a nice little pile of lost and found items on the table by the kitchen. If you are missing an umbrella or two, a dinosaur toy or a floral mask, this is your day! Also if you accidentally grabbed some gloves this past week that don't belong to you, please return them to where you found them. Dear Friends,

In the church calendar, the season between Advent and Lent is often referred to as "Epiphany season." During this Therefore, in the coming weeks, we're going to take a closer look at some of the more familiar stories in Jesus' earthly life and their applications for our lives today. May God bless us in this study together. In Christ, - Pastor John

The Life and Ministry of Jesus

1. Jan. 2 – Luke 2:39-52	- "Childhood Years"			
2. Jan. 9 – Luke 3:21-23	"The Baptism of Jesus"			
3. Jan. 16 – Sanctity of Life Sunday				
4. Jan. 23 – Luke 4:1-13	"The Temptation of Jesus"			
5. Jan. 30 – Luke 5:1-11	"Calling of the Disciples"			
6. Feb. 6 – John 2:1-11	"The First Miracle"			
7. Feb. 13 – Luke 6:1-11	"Sabbath Controversies"			
8. Feb. 20 – Luke 7:36-50	"Growing Fame"			
9. Feb. 27 – Luke 8:5-18	"The Parable of the Soil			

CALENDAR:

Greeters: This morning – the Bloms; Next week – Shirley Boonstra, Elly Cuperus

Coffee Hosts: This morning –Dennis & Melba DK; Next week – Joe LeClair, Katie Jungquist, Elly Cuperus

Children's Worship: This morning – Tim VH, Julissa O; Next week – Heather VH, Lauren VB

Friday, Feb. 4—GEMS Game Night

Next week: Worship Team: Bob DG, Juli O., Kiera L., Caleb L., Joel L.; Feb. 13 – Eliot B., Julie S, Adriana & Tessa S

ORGANIZATIONS WE SUPPORT

21ST ANNUAL QUILT & MORE AUCTION! C.A.R.E. Medical Center's 21st Annual Quilt & More Auction is just around the corner! Mark your calendar and please plan on joining us for this exciting event! (*C.A.R.E. was formerly Pregnancy Choices*)

Here are the event details:

WHEN: Saturday February 5 • TIME: 9:00am Doors open, 10:00am Auction begins, 12:00pm Event endsWHERE: Mount Vernon Church of the Nazarene, 2710 E. Fir Street, Mount Vernon

WHY: The proceeds from this event are used to support C.A.R.E. Medical Center in its mission to help the women and men in our community who are facing unplanned pregnancies by providing education, resources, and compassionate care. To donate, please contact Marnie Fox at 360-941-5821 or Irene Bazan at 360-428-4777.

REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Join Us For Dinner - Check out the new kids' devotion at www.kidscorner.net. Matthew 7:12 says, "Treat others as you want them to treat you." Let's talk about how to make space for others by making the circle bigger and about reaching out to a neighbor or stranger in our midst. Listen now at kidscorner.net and check out all the new content.

Race Relations Sunday is Next Week (Feb. 6) - Celebrate with congregations across the CRCNA the multicultural church of Christ on Race Relations Sunday, which is observed next week on February 6.

Groundwork: Living God's Way in Our Relationships - Whether relationships are personal or professional, easy or hard, the Apostle Paul has guidance grounded in faith for all types of relationships. Join Groundwork as we study Ephesians 5:21-6:9 to better understand how to live God's way in your relationships. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes. At-home Faith Practice Reflection Tip - Reflection and Discussion Starter—the Practice of Engaging Scripture: Read James 1:22-25 and ponder or discuss the following questions. How might "merely listening to the word" cause us to deceive ourselves? The command to "do what it says" is pretty plain. But what if we disagree about what God's Word says or how to apply it? How do we find clarity? (For more on faith practices from Faith Formation Ministries, visit bit.ly/FaithPracticesProject)



Please keep **Shirley Boonstra** in your prayers throughout the hours and days ahead. She will have more testing for the mass found in her stomach on February 14, so more information will come once those tests are completed.

Update on Joni Beezhold's brother Kevin Wigboldy:

Kevin finished his first round of chemo and is feeling very low this week. Blood and platelet transfusions are helping. He sent this sweet note: "Thank your church for their prayers and support for me. I feel very blessed that I have 'brothers' and 'sisters' in Washington supporting my fight against leukemia."

Dennis DeKok started radiation therapy this week and has also met with a physical therapist to start strengthening exercises. If you would like to follow Dennis' progress on a regular basis one of the best ways to do so is through the family's Caring Bridge site. (Just make sure when you type in his name that you don't put in a space between the 'e' and the 'K' in the last name or it won't show up. (1)) An easier way to find it would be to simply click on the following link and sign in/up accordingly: https://www.caringbridge.org/visit/dennisdekok

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Please pray for comfort for those who have lost loved ones.

Please continue to keep Adelaida Vega in your prayers.

SHUT INS:

Nell Annema and **Marion Ekkelkamp** at Birchview Memory Care in Sedro-Woolley; and **Mary Koopmans** at Where the Heart is in Burlington; **Case Lanting** at Olympic Place in Arlington, WA; **Wilma Paul** at Life Care Center in Sedro-Woolley; **Adrianna Swanson**, and **Clarence Vander Griend** at Home Place in Burlington; **Sally Reehoorn** at Creekside in Burlington; **Bev Van Slageren** at family in Grandview, WA.

OTHER REQUESTS: (CRC Communications)

Monday January 24 - Resonate: Cambodia

Mr. Kham, the spiritual leader of a tribe in Cambodia, recently decided to follow Christ—but he still has a lot of questions about Christianity and is hesitant to share his new faith. "We pray that God will change Mr. Kham's heart and that he can share the gospel with his family and his whole village," said Resonate missionary Navy Chann-Chhay.

Tuesday January 25 - Disability Concerns: Changes and hope

As we embrace 2022 with hope amid the challenges of the ongoing pandemic, we welcome Lindsay Wieland Capel as the new director of Disability Concerns. Please pray for strength and wisdom as Lindsay enters into this role. May she be blessed by the many people in our community surrounding and encouraging her in this new adventure!

Wednesday January 26 - World Renew: Asia Ministry Team

As a result of the pandemic, communities are facing extreme poverty, an increase in gender-based violence, fewer children returning to school, and many other negative effects. Please pray for staff, partners, and the communities affected by these challenges. Pray also for peace and safety for 900,000 Rohingya refugees, and ask that COVID-19 vaccinations may increase.

Thursday January 27 - ReFrame: Groundwork

Lora's faith was "floundering" before a Groundwork series helped her understand why Christians need the community offered in churches to grow in their faith. "Groundwork helped me understand that it was important to become a member of a church," she said. "I had prayed for this understanding for years, and there it was." Praise God for this answer to prayer.

Friday January 28 - Diaconal Ministries Canada: Community engagement

Please pray for our online Community Opportunity Scan cohort, a new initiative in partnership with Jodi Koeman of World Renew-U.S. Four churches in Western Canada have joined this group to become more community-focused. Ask God to reveal new and exciting possibilities as we cross-pollinate ideas around community engagement with churches in Canada and the U.S.

Saturday January 29 - Resonate: Campus ministries

Universities are starting a new academic semester! Please pray for Resonate-partner campus ministers as they continue to navigate COVID-19 protocols to safely meet with students and plan gatherings and events on campuses throughout North America.

Sunday January 30 - Calvinist Cadet Corps: Cadet Sunday

Our theme for this year is "God's in Control," based on Joshua 1:9. On this Cadet Sunday, we pray that this theme may continue to remind cadets and counselors that God is always with them. Please pray that this reassurance will help our boys and men be strong and courageous in living for Jesus.