

Welcome to First Christian Reformed Church!
June 14, 2026, 10:30 am Service
Guest Pastor Michael Kooy

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

*Holy Spirit, Living Breath of God,
breathe new life into my willing soul.*

Prelude

Welcome

*** Opening Hymn of Praise: LUYH #527 v. 1-3**
"Come Away from Rush and Hurry" (with tune of LUYH 802)

1. Come away from rush and hurry
to the stillness of God's peace;
from our vain ambition's worry,
come to Christ to find release.
Come away from noise and clamor,
life's demands and frenzied pace;
come to join the people gathered
here to seek and find God's grace.
2. In the pastures of God's goodness
we lie down to rest our soul.
From the waters of God's mercy
we drink deeply, are made whole.
At the table of God's presence
all the saints are richly fed.
With the oil of God's anointing
into service we are led.
3. Come, then, children, with your burdens—
life's confusions, fears, and pain.
Leave them at the cross of Jesus,
take instead his kingdom's reign.
Bring your thirsts, for he will quench them—
he alone will satisfy.
All our longings find attainment
when to self we gladly die.

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* Opening Prayer:

* Call to Worship:

Leader: The love of God has been poured into our hearts
through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us;

People: We dwell in him and he in us.

Leader: Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his name;

People: Make known his deeds among the peoples.

Leader: Sing to him, sing praises to him.

People: And speak of all his marvelous works.

Leader: Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God almighty.

People: who was and is and is to come!

* Song of Praise: LUYH #775 v. 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

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

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

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* God's Greeting/We Greet Each Other

*Bring the presence of the risen Lord
to renew my life and make me whole.*

Welcome/Announcements

Serve 2026 Theme Video

Ministry Report and Prayer Requests

Commissioning Litany: *Surprised by God. "He performs wonders that cannot be fathomed, miracles that cannot be counted." (Job 5:9).*

*Leader: In the week ahead, we will together reflect on
some of the surprises found in the Bible.
But God's surprises didn't stop at the end
of the Bible; he continues to surprise us today.
Therefore, we send you out to be surprised by God.
We pray that the words of your mouths may be
a blessing to those you serve.*

**People: He performs wonders that cannot be fathomed,
miracles that cannot be counted.**

SERVE Participants: Surprise us, God,
through the words of our mouths.

*Leader: We send you out to be surprised by God.
We pray that the work of your hands
may be a blessing to those you serve.*

**People: He performs wonders that cannot be fathomed,
miracles that cannot be counted.**

SERVE Participants: Surprise us, God,
through the work of our hands.

*Leader: We send you out to be surprised by God.
We pray that you build strong bonds
with one another and form lasting relationships.*

**People: He performs wonders that cannot be fathomed,
miracles that cannot be counted.**

SERVE Participants: Surprise us, God,
through the relationships we build.

*Leader: We send you out to be surprised by God.
We pray you grow in the grace and knowledge
of our Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ.*

**People: He performs wonders that cannot be fathomed,
miracles that cannot be counted.**

SERVE Participants: Surprise us, God,
through the transformation of our hearts and minds.

All Together: In all our days, surprise us, God,
in ways beyond what we could ask or imagine.

Commissioning Prayer

Call to Holy Living:

Leader: God has told you what is good;
and what does the Lord require of you
but to do justice, and to love kindness,
and to walk humbly with your God?
—from Micah 6:8, NRSV

**People: Lead a life worthy of the calling to which
you have been called, with all humility and gentleness,
with patience, bearing with one another in love,
making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit
in the bond of peace. —Ephesians 4:1-3, NRSV**

Leader: You are disciples of Jesus Christ.

Live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us.

Rejoice always; pray without ceasing;

give thanks in all circumstances;

for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.

The peace of God, which passes all understanding,

keep your heart and your mind in Christ Jesus.

—based on Ephesians 5:2; Philippians 4:7;

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18, NRSV

People: Amen.

* Song of Dedication: LUYH #746 v. 1-3

“Holy Spirit, Living Breath of God”

1. Holy Spirit, living Breath of God,
breathe new life into my willing soul.
Bring the presence of the risen Lord
to renew my heart and make me whole.
Cause your Word to come alive in me;
give me faith for what I cannot see;
give me passion for your purity;
Holy Spirit, breathe new life in me.
2. Holy Spirit, come abide within,
may your joy be seen in all I do.
Love enough to cover every sin,
in each thought and deed and attitude.
Kindness to the greatest and the least,
gentleness that sows the path of peace.
Turn my striving into works of grace;
Breath of God, show Christ in all I do.

3. Holy Spirit, from creation's birth,
giving life to all that God has made,
show your power once again on earth,
cause your church to hunger for your ways.
Let the fragrance of our prayers arise;
lead us on the road of sacrifice,
that in unity the face of Christ
may be clear for all the world to see.

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Offertory

*(Following the conclusion of the offering children ages 3-3rd grade
are dismissed for Children and Worship)*

*Cause your Word to come alive in me;
Give me faith for what I cannot see;
Give me passion for your purity;*

* Song of Preparation: #LUYH 322 v.1-4 *"I Need Thee Every Hour"*

1. I need thee every hour, most gracious Lord;
no tender voice like thine can peace afford.

Refrain

*I need thee, O I need thee; every hour I need thee.
O bless me now, my Savior; I come to thee.*

2. I need thee every hour, stay thou near by;
temptations lose their power when thou art nigh.

Refrain

3. I need thee every hour, in joy or pain;
come quickly and abide, or life is vain.

Refrain

*I need thee, O I need thee; every hour I need thee.
O bless me now, my Savior; I come to thee.*

4. I need thee every hour, teach me thy will;
and thy rich promises in me fulfill.

Refrain

I need thee, O I need thee; every hour I need thee.

O bless me now, my Savior; I come to thee.

Words: Annie S. Hawks, 1872; ref. Robert Lowry, 1872, P.D.; Music: Robert Lowry, 1972, P.D.; CCLI #678905

Scripture Reading: **John 14:1-3, 25-27**

Prayer of Illumination

Message: ***"Fruit of the Spirit: Peace"***

Time of Prayer

Holy Spirit, breathe new life in me.

* Song of Application: LUYH #451 v. 1-4 *"When Peace like a River"*

1. When peace like a river attendeth my way,
when sorrows like sea billows roll;
whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say,
"It is well, it is well with my soul."

Refrain

It is well with my soul;

it is well, it is well with my soul.

2. Though Satan should buffet,
though trials should come,
let this blest assurance control:
that Christ has regarded my helpless estate,
and has shed his own blood for my soul.

Refrain

3. My sin— oh, the bliss of this glorious thought!—
my sin, not in part, but the whole,
is nailed to the cross, and I bear it no more;
praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!

Refrain

4. O Lord, haste the day when my faith shall be sight,
the clouds be rolled back as a scroll;
the trump shall resound and the Lord shall descend;
even so, it is well with my soul.

Words: Horatio G. Spafford, 1873, P.D.; Music: Philip P. Bliss, 1876, P.D. CCLI #678905

* We Confess our Faith: ***The 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.

* God's Blessing

* Parting Hymn of Praise: LUYH #482 v. 1-4 "*Soon and Very Soon*"

1. Soon and very soon, we are going to see the King!
Soon and very soon, we are going to see the King!
Soon and very soon, we are going to see the King!
Hallelujah! Hallelujah! We're going to see the King!
2. No more crying there— we are going to see the King!
No more crying there— we are going to see the King!
No more crying there— we are going to see the King!
Hallelujah! Hallelujah! We're going to see the King!
3. No more dying there— we are going to see the King!
No more dying there— we are going to see the King!
No more dying there— we are going to see the King!
Hallelujah! Hallelujah! We're going to see the King!

4. Soon and very soon, we are going to see the King!
Soon and very soon, we are going to see the King!
Soon and very soon, we are going to see the King!
Hallelujah! Hallelujah! We're going to see the King!

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* Postlude

Welcome! We invite all of you to praise God with hearts and hands and voices. Let us be mindful of the wonders God has given us. Come rejoice in God and together sing praises to His name. Reach out in warmth to all who have gathered in the house of the 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.

Tech Team	Today: June 14	Next Week: June 21
Sound:	Tim H.	Mardick S.
Projection:	Emily VH	Emily VH
Video:	Brandon S.	Tim H.
Offering:	General Fund	General Fund

First CRC Bulletin Announcements

June 14, 2026

The Deadline for Announcements this next week is Thursday, 9:00 a.m.

OUR CHURCH FAMILY:

“Pray Us on Our Way Sendoff”! The Youth Group leaves on their mission trip on Saturday, June 20 at 8:30am from our parking lot. We would love to have a group of people there at 8:00am to give them a cheerful, prayerful sendoff! We know it’s early – pajamas optional!

The Council has approved the request from Robert and Judy Adeline to transfer their memberships from our church to Whidbey Presbyterian Church. We wish the Adelines well with their church family in Oak Harbor.

NEW DATE! The July church potluck will now be on July 19th instead of the 5th. Please change that on your calendars!

Attention all First CRC Regular Attenders! Church Committees Update: Sometime in the month of July the Executive Committee will be meeting to update/approve our current church committee lists. When it comes to the various committees for our church family we do our best to recruit, but often it's more expedient simply to assign. Here's how you can help us in advance: If there is a specific church committee that you would like to serve on - please let Beth know no later than Sunday, June 28. In addition, if you would like to be removed from a current committee that you are serving on please let her know that as well. If we don't hear from you - we don't know. When it comes to committee assignments we promise to do our best to match one's gifts accordingly. Thank you in advance for your willingness to serve!

There are quite a lot of slots open for volunteers to pick up and bring **Joy Faber** home from church each Sunday this summer. Please sign up to share this blessing for Joy.

Worship Service YouTube Links:

PM, June 7 Service: <https://youtube.com/live/SkQSZwnwbTA?feature=share>

First CRC's Worship Services are now being livestreamed! Go to our YouTube Channel at: <https://www.youtube.com/@1stcrcmv841>
You will see the option for the worship service Livestream there.

Congratulations to our 2026 Graduates from College, High School and Middle School.

Our Graduates:

College: Devin Van Zanten, Dordt University

High School: Justus Visser, Owen VanderKooy,
Landon Blanken, Adriana Speck, Henry Faber

Eighth Grade: Nolan Blanken, Emily Van Hofwegen, Ella Van Hofwegen, Riley VanderVeen

John and Dena Klunder wish to sincerely thank the congregation for their prayers, cards and visits while Dena has been hospitalized and now at Josphine having rehabilitation. They are so thankful for all the love outpoured from you! Praise God from whom all blessings flow!

CALENDAR:

Greeters/Coffee Hosts: Today, June 14: Joe LC, Dave & Nancy V.
Next Week, June 21: Spencer & Janelle D., Katie J.

Worship Team: Today: June 14: Greg B., Julie S., Adriana & Tessa S.
Next Week, June 21: Kevin K., Eliot B., Heidi B., Ella VH

Nursery: Today: June 14: Pam VZ & Reece VDV
Next Week, June 21: Mandi & Maddie D.

Children in Worship: Today: June 14: Heidi B., Leia V.
Next Week, June 21: Angela & Kenzie S.

Volunteers to Pick up and Drive Home Joy Faber:
Today, June 14: Mardick S.
Next week, June 21:

Family Visiting June 14:

5:45 pm: RYANNE VDP, Terry & Mandi D., Bob DG
7:00 pm: Karen S., Henry & Jayne H., Kermit & Julie H.
8:15 pm: Wayne & Rhea D., Micah & Jennie VDV, Marjo R.

Family Visiting July 12:

5:45 pm: Jon & Katherine VH, Henry & Sharon K., Weibe & Johnna VDH
7:00 pm: Robert & Judy A., Josh & Juliana H., Hank & Sylvia VZ
8:15 pm: Michelle DK, Lexi B., Sarah Z.

TODAY:

Sunday, June 14:

10:30am Worship Service

THIS WEEK:

Sat., June 20, 8:00am: Youth Group “Pray Us on Our Way” Sendoff

UPCOMING EVENTS:

NEW DATE! Sun., July 19: Church Potluck

Fri. & Sat., July 10-11: Ragnar Race using our parking lot

ORGANIZATIONS WE SUPPORT:

Cascade Family Bible Camp – July 9-13 at Warm Beach Camp, Stanwood, WA Enjoy a faith-filled getaway with fellowship, worship, and fun activities for all ages! Hear inspiring speakers, engage in dynamic kids' programs, and take part in swimming, mini golf, sports, rock climbing, zipline, laser tag and more. Register today: <https://cascadefamilybiblecamp.org>

CRC ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Doing More for Ministry Part 2 - “I wish I could do more!” That’s a common sentiment we hear from supporters of CRC Ministries who are passionate about the work of ministries like Thrive, Reframe, and Resonate. One way you can do more for ministry is naming CRCNA as a charitable beneficiary of your retirement assets or life insurance policy. Learn more at crcna.org/heritagefund or call Josh Remer, CRCNA Planned Giving Advisor, at 616-223-5885.

Kids Corner Devotions: Lydia: Hearts Wide Open - Check out this week’s kids’ devotion, “Lydia: Hearts Wide Open” at www.kidscorner.net. Just like Lydia in Acts 16:11-15, you can discover the amazing joy of having God open your heart to understand how much Jesus loves you! Ask God to help you say “yes” to Him this week—and then share that happy news with a friend! Check out the KC Summertime Collection with lots of puzzles, games, and fun activities. Good for road trips or quiet time at home.

Groundwork: God Speaks Judgment and Calls Samuel - When corruption and darkness seem to be in control, it can be hard to hear and see God. Join our Groundwork conversation as we study 1 Samuel 2:12-3:21 to learn from the stories about Israel and Samuel. Together, we’ll learn where to look for God and discover hope even when situations in life seem hopelessly unjust and bleak. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.



People to be remembered with prayers, cards, letters & words of encouragement. Email the office at secretary@firstcrcmv.com or call the church office at (336-2405) by 9:00 am Thursday of each week with your prayer items.

CONTINUING REQUESTS:

Please pray for full healing and successful physical therapy for **Sherrie Van Voorst**, as she recuperates from rotator cuff surgery.

Continue to pray for **Christine Boon**, after her visit to Providence Hospital in Everett for chest pains last week. She is feeling somewhat back to normal now. **Tyson** leaves for Alaska on Monday, so please pray for safe travels and a safe time fishing!

Please continue to pray for **Pastor Brad Diekema and his family**, as his father has been diagnosed with Stage 4 pancreatic cancer.

Keep Randy and Peggy Burr in your prayers for Randy's upcoming valve replacement surgery at the end of the month. Randy and Peggy give thanks to God for His guiding care.

Please continue to pray for **Dena Klunder**, who is now at Josephine in Stanwood (Room #512) for rehabilitation. There is a RSV restriction currently in place, so please call ahead before you visit. Please pray that God will give Dena and John clear decisions as to where they will reside in the future.

SHUT INS: Nell Annema and Shirley Boonstra at Birchview Memory Care in Sedro-Woolley; Marjean DeGroot at Mountain Glen in Mount Vernon; Martha Haarsma at home in Mount Vernon, Clarence Vander Griend at Home Place in Burlington; Sally Reehorn at Creekside in Burlington.

OTHER REQUESTS: (CRC Communications)

Monday June 8 - Church Renewal: Discipleship

Jesus calls his disciples to “go and make disciples of all nations” (Matt. 28:19). To be disciple-makers, we need to be disciples ourselves. Pray that our churches will be places where people learn the ways of Jesus and the Holy Spirit so that we can lead others in experiencing life in the Lord.

Tuesday June 9 - World Renew: Education

Many children around the globe work in unsafe conditions and often miss school. Ask God to provide for families who depend on a child’s income or unpaid labor, and to open paths to dignified work for adults, fair wages, and education. Pray that churches, schools, and leaders may protect children and break cycles of poverty.

Wednesday June 10 - Resonate: Japan

Resonate missionaries Jeong and Misook Gho regularly lead 10 monthly in-person or online trainings for leaders. Additionally, many pastors and lay leaders whom they have trained are faithfully leading groups of their own. Give thanks for these ripple effects in mission, and ask God to continue working through these leaders and groups to draw people to know Christ.

Thursday June 11 - Thrive: Fathers and father figures

Pray that the fathers and father figures in your congregation may know the peace, grace, and love of the Holy Spirit.

Friday June 12 - CRC Communications: Synod begins

Please pray for God’s presence and guidance at synod, for meaningful discussions, a spirit of wisdom and love, God’s will in decision making, smooth logistics, and safety and health for delegates, visitors, and staff. May God be glorified in this year’s gathering.

Saturday June 13 - World Renew: Desertification and drought

In areas of the world prone to drought, communities facing desertification and land degradation are at high risk of food insecurity. Ask God to strengthen farmers and herders amid these conditions. Pray for fair access to water, wise stewardship of land, and restoration efforts that can rebuild ecosystems and livelihoods.

Sunday June 14 - *Thrive: Synod*

Please pray that all who have gathered at Synod 2026 will experience and extend curiosity, connection, and care as they work and worship alongside one another this week.