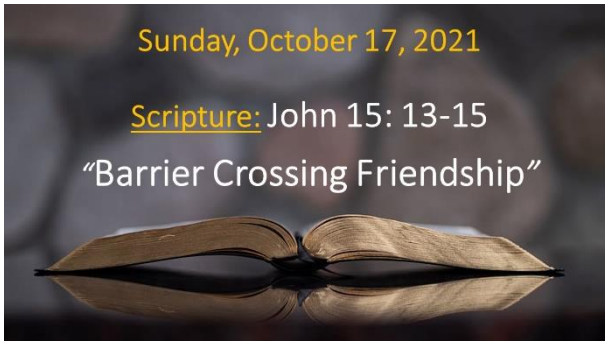
Church Announcements for the week of October 17th



This Week's Service:
This Sunday we again welcome **Rev. Greg Sinclair** to our pulpit for our Sunday Worship Service. The music is provided by **John and Ellen Hunse and Bob DeHaan.** We are grateful for all who participate in our services!
Our offerings are for the **Church Budget** and for **CRC Disability Concerns.** The offering baskets will be located on the registration table and you will have an opportunity to contribute at the end of the service before you exit the premises
To view our services from home, you can do so by watching via livestream on our website: **www.mounthopecommunitycrc.org,** or from our YouTube Channel: **Mount Hope Community Church.** Those members who have the Bridge App, can view the service directly on the app, by using the **"YouTube"** icon on the main page. Those who watch on DVD will continue to receive their copy following the service.

Order of Worship - October 17th
*** (Means to stand if you are able.)**

Welcome / Announcements / Memory Work **Psalm 100:1-3 Sandi Buwalda**
Call to Worship: **Psalm 24:7-10**
***Song - LUYH #21 This Is My Father's World**
Confession: **Psalm 51:1-2**
Prayer
Assurance of Pardon: **Psalm 51:17**
Song: PH #169 I Will Sing of the Mercies of The Lord
Congregational Prayer - **Greg Schuurman**
Song: PH #152 I Will Sing Unto The Lord
Prayer of Illumination
Scripture: **John 15: 13-15**
Sermon: **"Barrier Crossing Friendship"**
Prayer
***Song: LUYH #366:1,2,3 My Jesus, I Love Thee**
*Benediction
***Song: LUYH #328 Lead On O King Eternal**

Church Family:

Truus Voorberg had a setback and will remain in hospital for now until they get the issue under control. She hopes to come home in the near future. **Henk De Groot** has been moved to the rehab ward at St. Joseph's Hospital, where he will receive physiotherapy for his broken pelvis. Please continue to pray for a speedy recovery for him

October 21st - Ron & Jean Postma - 66th Anniversary

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Duties for Sunday, October 17
AV Desk - Marlene Knevel / Justin Knevel / Joshua Knevel
Nursery - Eileen Nagtegaal / Sam Schuurman
Registration Desk - Louise Dekker
Usher - Shae Knevel
Library - Christina Demik
Welcome - Sandi Buwalda
Congregational Prayer - Greg Schuurman
Music - John & Ellen Hunse / Bob deHaan
Open / Close - Marlene Knevel

Duties for Sunday, October 24
AV Desk - Frank Buwalda & Henk Van Tuyl
Nursery - Kristen Roth / Alyssa Schuurman
Registration Desk - Marlene Knevel
Usher - Josh Knevel
Library - Louise Dekker
Welcome - Mark Demik
Congregational Prayer - Henk Van Tuyl
Music - John & Ellen Hunse & Alyssa Tisch
Open/Close - Frank & Sandi Buwalda

Duties for Sunday, October 31
AV Desk - Frank Buwalda / Henk Van Tuyl
Nursery - Marlene Knevel / Seth Vreugdenhil
Registration Desk - Marlene Knevel
Usher - Mark Demik
Library - Margaret Kool
Welcome - Paul Vreugdenhil
Congregational Prayer - Mark Demik
Music - Anne te Grotenhuis
Open/Close - Marlene Knevel

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OFFERING COLLECTIONS
Oct 17 - Budget & CRC Disability Concerns
Oct 24 - Budget & Reframe Ministries
Oct 31 - Budget & Resonate Global Mission
Nov 7 - Budget & World Hunger (World Renew)

Church Calendar for the week:
Sunday, October 17
10:00 a.m. - Rev. Greg Sinclair
Music by: John & Ellen Hunse with Bob deHaan
Offerings: Budget & CRC disability Concerns
Thursday, October 21
Noon - Bulletin announcements / church registration due
Sunday, October 24
10:00 a.m. - Rev. Jack Kerkhof
Music by: John & Ellen Hunse with Alyssa Tisch
Offerings: Budget & ReFrame Ministries

Church Announcements

Change of Address: (Effective October 19, 2021)
Ron & Jean Postma
Parkview Meadows Christian Retirement Village
Southview, Rooms 128 and 129
72 Town Centre Dr.
Townsend, Ontario
N0A 1S0
Phone number: 226-630-0300

From Council: Council would like to think everyone who was involved with the outdoor service last week on Thanksgiving Sunday and to the Community Service Team for running the food drive. Also thanks to all those who attended, it was great to worship God outside in the community and we look forward to hosting another service like this again sometime.

From the Treasurer: The Thanksgiving Day collection for **World Renew - Free a Family** totaled **$761.00.**

Mark Your Calendars! The **Installation Service** for **Pastor Joel Bootsma** is scheduled for **Friday, November 5th at 7:30 p.m.** Pastor Joel will be leading his first service as Pastor of Mount Hope Community Church on Sunday, November 7th at 10:00 a.m.

From the Prayer Ministry: The Memory Work is incorporated in the litany for the Thanksgiving Day Sunday Worship Service. Next week's memory verses will continue from last week - the 1st three verses of **Psalm 100:1-3 (NIV1984)**:
Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth. Worship the LORD with gladness; come before him with joyful songs. Know that the LORD is God. It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, the sheep of his pasture.

Pastor of Congregational Care: If you need or would appreciate a pastoral visit, please call **Pastor John Postuma,** Pastor of Congregational Care, at **905-765-5623,** to speak to him, or to arrange a time that would be convenient for a phone visit.

Church Registration:
Registration **will be open** for the service next **Sunday, October 24th,** on **Monday, October 18th.** We would need to hear from you by **Thursday, October 21st, noon**, if you are attending If you **do not** have any computer access, please call **Marlene** to book your seats at **(289) 456-8681** or at the church office **(289) 759-3076.** Please also let us know at the same time if you will be requiring use of the Wellingstone Shuttle bus.

Hamilton Area Insert Announcements

Church Family News: Nothing new to report from: Ancaster CRC, First Hamilton CRC, Immanuel CRC, Meadowlands Fellowship CRC, Mount Hope Community CRC

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

NORTH OF SIXTY: Regretfully after much consideration and not enough responses we have decided to postpone our first session of North of Sixty until January 27, 2022. Please watch for further announcements closer to that date.
If you have any questions please contact Joanne Joosse at 905-577-5277 or vdwaljjoosse@bell.net

Israel & Jordan Study Tour (March 31 - April 12, 2022): Travel to NT sites connected with Jesus' life and the early church: Bethlehem, Nazareth, Caesarea, Capernaum, Bethsaida, Sea of Galilee, Caesarea Philippi, the major biblical places in Jerusalem, Masada and much more. This tour also uniquely involves key biblical sites in Jordan, including the amazing city of Petra. Contact Dr. Jeff Weima, Professor at Calvin Theological Seminary and leading biblical scholar, at wemje@calvinseminary.edu or 616-328-3110.

Mohawk College Solid Rock: Do you know someone attending Mohawk College? Let them know about our CRC campus ministry! Mohawk Solid Rock is a Christian community of students from Mohawk College. We meet on Wednesday evenings at 6pm at Immanuel CRC for a meal and discussion. For more information, get in touch with our campus minister, Melissa Kuipers (mohawksolidrock@gmail.com), check out our website (mohawksolidrock.ca) or follow us on social media (@mohawksolidrock).

FaithCARE Communities Affirming Restorative Experiences Relationships break, they need restoring. Restoration starts with conversation. Conversation starts with listening. FAITHCARE WILL HOLD ONLINE RESTORATIVE PRACTICE TRAINING IN OCTOBER &

NOVEMBER Using FaithCARE's framework developed exclusively for churches and other faith communities, you will join a class of not more than 12 people to learn to facilitate Listening and other proactive, relation-building Circles. Responding effectively to deep-level conflict will be covered in Part 2 in January and February (must have completed Part 1). Instructors: Anne Martin, PhD, is FaithCARE's Director of Restorative Practice. Bill Bickle, B.Comm, MBA is a certified trainer and facilitator, working in church health and congregational development. Please register www.shalemnetwork.org/events Cost: $375/student for Part 1 $700 for Parts 1 & 2 ($50 savings) Times: 1:00 – 4:00 pm EST Part 1: Tuesdays from October 19th through November 16th Part 2: dates to be announced

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CRCNA ANNOUNCEMENTS

ReFrame Ministries

How Do You Pray? - Check out this week's kids' devotion at www.kidscorner.net. When you pray to God, what do you say to him? In Matthew 6:9-13, Jesus said to his disciples, "You should pray like this…" Listen now at kidscorner.net and subscribe to KC's weekly emails for all the new content.

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.

The ACTS Prayer - Check out this week's kids' devotion at www.kidscorner.net. There are lots of different ways to pray. One of them is called an ACTS Prayer. Each letter stands for a different section of the prayer. Listen now at kidscorner.net and subscribe to KC's weekly emails for all the new content.

Groundwork: Your Questions about God, Sin, Evil, and Evangelism - It's a natural part of the Christian experience to have questions as you learn to live as a disciple of Jesus Christ. Join Groundwork as we study Psalm 19, James 1:13-15, 1 John 1:5-7, 1 John 3:4-6, Romans 10:14-15, and Ephesians 1:11-14 to answer some of the questions listeners like you have asked Groundwork this year. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

World Renew

A Heartfelt Thank You from World Renew - Thank you for your Thanksgiving gifts! World Renew believes strong families help build strong communities and through your gifts to the Free a Family® program you are helping families to discover their God-given strengths and resources so they can journey to food security and income stability and break cycles of poverty for

generations to come. If you would like to learn more about how World Renew is answering God's call for justice and mercy, please visit: www.worldrenew.ca

World Hunger 2021: Hunger for Good - Over 1 billion people around the world are hungry. In two weeks, we'll be observing World Hunger Sunday. God promises in Scripture to fill the hungry with good things and invites us to join in that holy work. Pick up your World Hunger Campaign devotionals today and spend some thinking about what it means to hunger for good in our lives, our communities, and around the world. If you have children in your household, make sure to go online and download some special activities just for them at worldrenew.net/WorldHungerChurches

Today is World Hunger Sunday. Join us! - Today we are having an offering to support the work of World Renew and help put food on tables around the world. World Renew has the plans, the systems, the partners, and the people to come alongside communities experiencing hunger. We are excited to join this program as a faithful response to the God who can accomplish abundantly more than all we ask or imagine. Thank you for giving as you are able to help solve World Hunger.

Faith Formation Ministries

At-home Faith Practice Reflection Tip - Reflection and Discussion Starter—the Practice of Gratitude: Read Luke 7:36-38 and ponder or discuss the following questions. If you can't remember a time when you didn't believe in God, it might be difficult to feel deeply what Jesus has done for you. How might you and other Christians recover a sense of wonder and gratitude for the sacrifice of Jesus' life? (For more on faith practices from Faith Formation Ministries, visit bit.ly/FaithPracticesProject)

Diaconal Ministries Canada

Deacon Scholarship Available! - Spending intentional time in prayer and studying God's Word helps deacons reach up to God and reach toward one another before reaching out to their church and community. Diaconal Ministries Canada has some great resources for better meetings, including a brand new book study on Tim Soerens' book, "Everywhere You Look: Discovering the Church Right Where You Are" (www.timsoerens.com). In it, Soerens explores the question: What is church and what's the point of it all? Many of us can likely agree that our definition of church and how we "do" church has been challenged over and over again in the past year and a half. We encourage you to give this study a try! AND, if your church needs help in purchasing enough copies for your team of deacons, you can apply for a NewGround Deacon Scholarship and receive up to $250! Find out more on our website: diaconalministries.com/newground-deacon-scholarships.

Other

Holland Christian Homes - Has taking care of a house on your own become too much work for you? Would you love to live in a community with people with common values and beliefs, where you can enjoy fellowship, friendship, and convenience in a Christian environment?

Holland Christian Homes in Brampton may be the place for you! We have 1-bedroom independent living apartments available for immediate occupancy. For a 2-bedroom, there is only a short wait list. Please reach out if you think that being a part of this loving, Christian community is for you. We would love to talk with you about our available housing options. Contact Kelly at 905-459-3333, extension 5250.

New Thriving Essentials Course - Be one of the first to experience and shape a new course for people who are actively involved in their local congregation. Developed with funding from Lilly Endowment Inc., this online four-session course explores key paradigms about mission, discipleship, discernment, and leadership. Each session is just one hour, and new groups start each week. For details and signup, visit crcna.org/Thrive

CRC Communications

CRCNA Position Opening - The Christian Reformed Church in North America as an opening for an Administrative Assistant for Inspire. This position will provide administrative assistance to the co-chairs of Inspire 2022 Planning Team, serve as a back-up liaison with convention center and hotels, and assist the Inspire Planning Team. This position can be worked anywhere in the USA or Canada. For details visit www.crcna.org/jobs; deadline to apply is October 20, 2021.

Safe Church Ministry

Safe Church Coordinator Needed - Do you have a passion for safe church ministry? Have you considered serving in the role of coordinator for Safe Church? Classis Eastern Canada Safe Church Committee is looking for someone to serve in this role. There is a stipend that is available along with this position. To find out more about the role, go to network.crcna.org/safe-church/safe-church-classis-coordinator or contact John Vedder for further information : johnfvedder@gmail.com

Disability Concerns

Today is Disability Concerns Sunday - The goal of Disability Concerns is to bring about the full participation of all people with disabilities in the life of the church, and the full participation of the church in the lives of people with disabilities. Please consider giving a gift and supporting this empowering ministry of the CRC right now: crcna.org/Disability/Donate

Race Relations

Thanks for Giving - The CRC Office of Race Relations would like to thank you for offering up your tithes and prayers on All Nations Heritage Sunday (Oct. 3rd). If you did not have a chance to give at that time, please consider donating now to this special ministry and their Race Relations multicultural scholarship fund: crcna.org/Race/Donate