



*Blessed  
is the man  
who trusts in  
the Lord and  
has made the Lord  
his hope and confidence. Jer. 17:7*

# Mount Hope Community

Christian Reformed Church

MOUNT HOPE COMMUNITY CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH

**August 20, 2023    Pastor Joel Bootsma    10:00 a.m.**

**Music:** Mt. Hope Praise Team

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\* (denotes please stand if you are able)

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements - Verse of the Month: 2 Corinthians 12:9    **Bob de Haan**

**GATHERING BY GOD'S PRESENCE**

\* Call to Worship & God's Greeting

\* Opening Prayer

\* Song of Praise: **LUYH #537/538 "Open the Eyes of My Heart / Holy, Holy, Holy"**

**GROUNDING IN GOD'S GRACE**

Time of Confession

Song of Confession: **LUYH #682 "Before the Throne of God Above"**

Words of Assurance

**GROWING IN GOD'S LOVE**

Scripture Reading: Acts 15:21

Message: "The Council Meeting"

\* Song of Response: **LUYH #691 "Amazing Grace"**

Prayer: Church Family and Community

**GOING TO SERVE**

Offerings: **Budget & Mission Services**

\* Sending / The Apostle's Creed

\* Benediction

\* Closing Song of Praise: **LUYH #938 "My Friends, May You Grow in Grace"**

**Thank you for joining us this morning!**

## August 20, 2023

We welcome all who join us this morning! We are being led in worship by **Pastor Joel Bootsma** and in music by the **Praise Team**. Our offerings are for the **Budget** and **Mission Services**. You are reminded that you can also donate through the "Give" function on the Bridge App, as well as e-transfer to treasurer.mhccrc@rogers.com. We hope that you will join us following the service in the Fellowship Hall for refreshments.

To view this service from home, you can do so by watching via livestream on our website: [www.mounthopecommunitycrc.org](http://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.

### Church Family

We congratulate the following members who will celebrate birthdays this week:

**August 20 - Justin Liddicoat**

**August 21 - Isabelle Vreugdenhil; Richard Stokl**

**August 25 - Doug Dekker**

**August 26 - Meagan Demik**

May God continue to bless you all in the year ahead!

**New Address:** Please note the new address of **Alex & Maegan Demik**: 2194 Highway #54, Caledonia ON N3W 1G2.

### Announcements

**Attention Congregation:** The Community Service Team is looking for someone who might be willing to help us out with purchasing supplies for the Pancake Breakfast for our upcoming Community Pancake Breakfast and Fall Fair Festival to be held on **Saturday, September 23rd**.

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!** As well, **we will need lots of volunteers for many tasks during that morning!** *A volunteer form will be put in your mailboxes next week, please prayerfully consider how you can help!* Please speak to a CST Member for more information or if you are interested (Pastor Joel, Marlene, Shae, Ben and John). Thank you!

**From Council:** Council is pleased to announce that the following persons were affirmed by the congregation to serve on council at MHCCRC: **For Deacon:** Doug Nagtegaal, and **for Elder:** Marinus Bassie (serving one-year term) and Ryan Flokstra. Installation of these office bearers will take place at our Service **next week**. **Retiring are:** Bob deHaan (elder), Paul Vreugdenhil (elder), Sandi Buwalda (deacon, clerk). We thank all our council members who serve here at Mt. Hope Church and special gratitude is given to those who are retiring for the time they have committed to our church over these last few years.

**Reminder to download the Bridge App to your mobile device or tablet!:** It has features like our church directory, donating directly to our church or other designated causes, direct access to devotionals like Today, Our Daily Bread, Kid's Corner Devotional and many more, online Bible, prayer requests and MUCH more! Download from the app store, or Google Play depending on your device for free. If you have questions about the Bridge App contact Marlene Knevel in the church office.

**Dear friends at Mount Hope Community CRC:** Thank you for believing in God’s mission—and in God’s plan for our denomination! I’m so glad that we can stand together and declare, in faith, that the future is bright! I’m filled with excitement and anticipation for what God is doing now through the Christian Reformed Church around the world, and for the new story God is writing for us. When I look at other denominations and organizations that we partner with, the global focus of Resonate and the Christian Reformed Church makes us unique. I’m grateful that you see this, too, and that you’re ready to shine as a community of love and grace. Together with you we can point the way to Jesus Christ as the hope of the world! Thank you for your support, and may God bless your church on mission. **Kevin DeRaaf, Director**

**Rend Collective in Concert:** Redeemer University is hosting the internationally acclaimed and Ireland-hailing band Rend Collective for a public concert on November 3, 2023. Elias Dummer, artist and founding member of worship band City Harmonic, will open the evening. Tickets go on sale **August 21, 2023** at [tickets.redeemer.ca](https://tickets.redeemer.ca).

## **Community Announcements**

**Food Trucks @ Fellowship:** Each Thursday evening this summer Meadowlands Fellowship CRC (211 Stonehenge Dr, Ancaster) will be hosting three food trucks on our property from 4:30-6:30pm. [Stuffed. Handmade Perogies](#), [Jamaican Patty Shack](#), and [Raw Roots](#) (Smoothies) are all set to help us create a space to eat, drink, and enjoy fellowship with each other and our community. Come and enjoy some delicious food and drinks with us! All the trucks accept cash, debit, & credit for payment, but please note that this is NOT a fundraiser for Meadowlands Fellowship CRC; we simply want to create community.

**Welcome to Homecoming 2023 at the 46th Annual Fun Fair at Countryside Camp**, the summer home of “Camp Shalom” in Cambridge, Ontario! This year’s event starts with an online auction September 9-14 and culminates at the camp in person on September 16. This fun-filled celebration will host activities and food for all ages including Auctions, Games, Grand River Inflatable Rides, Trackless Train, Horse Drawn Carriage Rides, Pedal Cars, Garage Sale, and your favourite Dutch and Canadian foods. Please join us **Saturday, September 16, 10am to 3pm**. See more at [campfunfair.ca](https://campfunfair.ca).

## **CRC Announcements**

**McMaster University:** Do you have a heart for university students? Our Classis Hamilton ‘All Things’ Campus Ministry will be witnessing to the love and Lordship of Jesus Christ at McMaster University this coming academic year. Our corner stone program is our All-Things Dinner fellowship. It is during these dinners that our vision of the Kingdom of God is shared as lifelong friendships are made. We are looking for churches, small groups and individuals that can support us with meals. If you would like to be a part of this ministry, please contact Dr. Michael D. Fallon at [fallonm@mcmaster.ca](mailto:fallonm@mcmaster.ca) or 289-880-6134.

Are you heading to **McMaster University** this fall? Those of us at **'All Things CRC Campus Ministry'** want to wish you the best to you as you pursue your academic and personal goals. We would also like to meet you when you arrive on campus. We have some fun, welcome events coming up in early September that will give you an opportunity to connect with some other students and our supporting faculty. Take a moment and check out our website <https://allthingsmcmaster.ca/> For more information please contact Dr. Michael D. Fallon <[fallonm@mcmaster.ca](mailto:fallonm@mcmaster.ca)>

### **ReFrame Ministries**

**Kids Corner: Encouragement: Hold Me Up!** - Check out this week's kids' devotion at [www.kidscorner.net](http://www.kidscorner.net). Who are the friends who help and encourage you? Lord, help us to encourage our family and friends when they need us. Check out all the great content at [kidscorner.net](http://kidscorner.net) like the Kids in Action video "Bookmarks for Peace"

**Groundwork: Understanding Christian Freedom.** - What happens when our personal freedom is in direct conflict with someone else's personal freedom? Join our Groundwork conversation as we study 1 Corinthians 9-10 to discover why Paul does not equate personal freedom with Christian freedom and why remembering the second Greatest Commandment helps us embrace our Christian freedom more fully. Listen now at [GroundworkOnline.com](http://GroundworkOnline.com) and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

### **Resonate Global Mission**

**Heading to University or College?** - Moving to campus this fall? We'd love to help you get connected to a campus ministry community! There are over 35 CRC ministries on university and college campuses across North America, gathering students, faculty, and staff to grow together in faith as they engage God's world. To find out if there's a CRC ministry at your campus, please check [resonateglobalmission.org/campus-ministry/partner-campus-ministries](http://resonateglobalmission.org/campus-ministry/partner-campus-ministries). If there isn't a Christian Reformed ministry at your school, you can locate a nearby CRC here: [crcna.org/church-finder](http://crcna.org/church-finder). For more information about our ministries, or other info about how to grow in faith while you're on campus, please contact us at [campusministry@crcna.org](mailto:campusministry@crcna.org)

**Healing Hearts, Transforming Nations** - God calls believers to live together in unity, but sometimes conflict caused by ethnic and racial differences, political disagreements, generational divides, and more brings pain and drives communities apart. How do we heal from pain, reconcile with one another, and walk a path forward together? That's what Healing Hearts, Transforming Nations is all about. You are invited to experience a fresh encounter with Jesus at the cross, which, by the power of the Holy Spirit, is the foundation of reconciliation. Join us September 5-9 at Fair Havens Camp & Conference Grounds, Beaverton, ON, Canada or October 8-12 at Maranatha Bible & Missionary Conference, Muskegon, MI, USA. For details and to register, go to [www.resonateglobalmission.org/healing-hearts-transforming-nations](http://www.resonateglobalmission.org/healing-hearts-transforming-nations)

Children's Bulletin

# Acts 15

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Acts	Dissension	Moses	Gospel	Multitude
Purifying	Confirming	Letters	Mark	Contention
Preached	One Accord	Audience	Grace	Pharisees
Silas	Saved	Prophets	Holy Ghost	Apostles
Gentiles	Jerusalem	Barnabas	Paul	circumcision
Antioch				

## Church Duties

Date	August 20	August 27	September 3
<b>Welcome</b>	Bob de Haan	Len Moelker	
<b>Music</b>	Praise Team	John & Ellen, Alyssa	John & Ellen, Alyssa
<b>Congregational Prayer</b>			
<b>Open / Close</b>	Frank & Sandi Buwalda	Doug & Eileen Nagtegaal	Henk & Rita Van Tuyl
<b>Coffee Duty</b>	Doug & Louise Dekker	John & Trish Demik	Mark & Christina Demik
<b>Sound</b>	Josh Knevel	Frank Buwalda	Ryan Flokstra
<b>Streaming</b>	Rebecca Bootsma	Meagan Demik	Jack Demik
<b>Overhead</b>	Henk Van Tuyl	Marlene Knevel	Mark Demik
<b>Library</b>		Christina Demik	CLOSED
<b>Nursery</b>	Eileen Nagtegaal Shae Knevel	Sandi Buwalda Christina Demik	Trish Demik Maegan Demik

If you are **unable** to fulfill your duties, it is your responsibility to find someone else. Thank you.



## Church Calendar

### **Thursday, August 24**

Noon - Bulletin announcements due

### **Sunday, August 27 (Installation Service)**

10:00 a.m. - Pastor Joel Bootsma

Offerings: Budget & Faith Formation Ministries

### **UPCOMING OFFERING COLLECTIONS**

**September 3** - Budget & Shalom Manor

**September 10** - Budget & Classis Hamilton's Classis Ministry (University and College Sunday)

**September 17** - Budget & HDCH

**September 24** - Budget & Safe Church Ministry

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## Our Mission Statement

"To glorify God as a vibrant community of disciples that actively and joyfully serve one another and our community."

### Vision: Grounded, Growing, Going

**Grounded:** Through our Reformed tradition, we are rooted in the nourishing soil of God's Word and the saving grace of Christ

**Growing:** We are becoming more Christ like and Spirit filled as God works in our hearts and minds to grow closer to Him

**Going:** Out of gratitude to God for his work in us, we seek to bear fruit by being the hands and feet of Christ to each other and our community

*\*\*see paintings made by Petra Zantingh in Fellowship Hall \*\**