

*I will extol the Lord at all times;
his praise will always be
on my lips. Ps. 34:1*



Mt. Hope Community

Christian Reformed Church

MOUNT HOPE COMMUNITY CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH

September 10, 2023 Pastor Joel Bootsma 10:00 a.m.

Music: John & Ellen Hunse, Alyssa Tisch

* (denotes please stand if you are able)

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements - Verse of the Month: Colossians 2:6-7 **Ryan Flokstra**

GATHERING BY GOD'S PRESENCE

* Call to Worship & God's Greeting

* Opening Prayer

* Song of Praise: **LUYH #512 "Now with Joyful Exultation"**

GROUNDING IN GOD'S GRACE

Time of Confession

Song of Confession: **LUYH #899 "Seek Ye First"**

Words of Assurance

Song: **"God Sees the Little Sparrow Fall"**

Offering: **Budget & Classis Hamilton Ministries at McMaster University & Mohawk College (University & College Sunday)**

Prayer: Church Family and Community

GROWING IN GOD'S LOVE

- Solo - **"Blessed Quietness"** (Richard Blake)

Scripture Reading: Acts 27:27-44

Message: "On a Boat, in a Storm"

*Song of Response: **LUYH #519 "God, We Sing Your Glorious Praises"**

The Lord's Supper

The Invitation

*The Thanksgiving

*The Words of Institution

*The Prayer of Consecration

The Communion

Prayer

GOING TO SERVE

* Sending

* Benediction

* Closing Song of Praise: **PsH #197 "The Trees of the Field (2x)"**

September 10, 2023

We welcome all who join us this morning! We are being led in worship by **Pastor Joel Bootsma** and in music by **John & Ellen Hunse**, and **Alyssa Tisch**. Our offerings are for the **Budget & Classis Hamilton Ministries at McMaster University & Mohawk College (University & College Sunday)** 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, 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.

We are celebrating the Lord's Supper this morning. All those who are baptized and are truly sorry for their sins, who believe in Jesus, and desire to live an abundant, *godly* life, ought to accept the invitation to come with gladness to the table of their Lord. If you are visiting with us and have children who are accustomed to partaking in the Supper with you, know that you are welcome to continue that practice here. To others among us, we are grateful you are here! If you feel you cannot partake in the Lord's Supper this morning, perhaps pray or reflect on these words (based on Psalm 139) during communion: Search me, O God, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts. See if there is any offensive way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting.

Church Family

We mourn with **John & Ellen Hunse**, and **Ben and Julie Winter** with the passing away of **Alice Winter** their sister-in-law, on Tuesday. May God comfort you and your family during this time of loss. We congratulate the following who will celebrate their birthdays this week. We pray for a special blessing on them as they celebrate with their families:

September 10 - Corrie Kronemeyer

September 12 - Harmen Vander Meulen

September 13 - Effie Visser

September 14- Doug Nagtegaal

September 15 - Lydia Demik

September 17 - Joy-Hannah Flokstra

Announcements

Prayer Service: We are gathering to **pray** on **Tuesday, September 12** at **7:30 pm**. Let's lift up our hearts together! There will be no bus available for this service, but if you wish to attend please speak to Marlene at the church office to arrange a ride.

Welcome Back Barbeque: Please join us **next Sunday** following the service for our Annual Welcome Back Barbeque. We will be serving hamburgers and salads as we kick off a new year here at Mt. Hope Church. See you then! PS: Busing has been arranged for a later pick up for those who use the bus.

Attention Congregation: Our GEMS program has always been a great success here at our church, and this year we find ourselves in need of 1 or 2 counsellors in order for us to be able to run the program. If you can help out please let Marlene or Shae Knevel know. We meet on every other Monday night from **6:30 - 7:45 p.m.** and we normally begin the first week of October. Please reach out as soon as you are able if you are interested. Thank you.

Men's Breakfast: On **September 16th, at 8:00 a.m.,** at Cora's on Upper James, we will be holding the first meeting of a men's breakfast. At this first meeting we will enjoy breakfast together, and talk about how we will hold upcoming get togethers. We hope you can join us.

Community Announcements

Griefshare: it's a tough time, and things are hard. But you're not alone. We've got you and you don't have to do this without help. Get the support you need at Griefshare by interacting with others who are also grieving and understand what you are going through. Next group session starts **Sept 13th, 7:00pm** at the Immanuel CRC 61 Mohawk Road West. Contact Melinda for more info or griefshare@immanuelministries.ca

September 18 Home Energy Upgrades I: Join us for the first in a series of monthly presentations on making your home more energy efficient. For this first session. our speakers will be Lynda Lukasik, Director of the Office of Climate Change Initiatives for the City of Hamilton, who will provide an overview of Hamilton's Climate Action Strategy and Cathrin Winkelmann, who will provide information about the 'Better Homes Hamilton' home energy retrofit pilot program – set to launch before the end of 2023. You will learn about an energy audit, financial assistance, adding insulation to attic and walls and other ideas to reduce your carbon footprint. **When?** Monday, September 18 at 7:30 **Live-stream available at** <https://vimeo.com/event/385354> **Where?** Meadowlands Fellowship Church, 211 Stonehenge Dr. **Sponsor?** Creation Care Support Team at Meadowlands Fellowship **Questions?** Contact Henry Brouwer (hbrouwer746@gmail.com)

Fall Hymn Sing at Grace Community CRC - September 24th, 4-5pm: You're invited to sing some of your favourite songs and hymns! All are welcome. Refreshments served at 3:30pm. Hope to see you there. Please contact the office for more information: Grace Community CRC | 70 Garner Rd. E | 905-648-2323 | office@ancastercrc.org | www.gracecommunitycrc.ca

Reflecting on the generational effects of immigration: How have you and your family been shaped by an immigration experience? Dr. Arthur Boers is a pastor and the son of post World War II immigrants to Canada. After reflecting a great deal on the ways his family's immigrant experience affected him, he has written *Shattered, A son picks up the pieces of his father's rage*. You are invited to attend a public reading. Dr. Boers will share what led him to write this book, read excerpts, and engage in conversation with his audience. Meadowlands Fellowship Christian Reformed Church, Ancaster. **Thursday, SEPT 28, 7:30 - 9:00 pm.** Admission is free.

CARPENTEROS HOLDING FINAL DINNER - It has been an amazing 22 years, and the Carpenteros and Friends hope you will join us in celebrating all that God has done by attending the FINAL Building Hope for Honduras dinner and auction on **Thursday, Oct. 5** at Carmen's Banquet Centre in Hamilton (doors open 5:30PM, program begins 6:30). Tickets are \$85/person, and eligible for a \$50 donation receipt. Please reserve your tickets today through any member of the Carpenteros, by email (info@carpenteros.ca) or by calling Ken at 905-630-6977. Ticket payment can also be made through e-transfer to info@carpenteros.ca.

CRC Announcements

ReFrame Ministries

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.

Kids Corner: Angels Around Us - Check out this week's kids' devotion at www.kidscorner.net. When you read the Bible and find out that there are angels around us, how do you picture them? Do you think they have a glowing, heavenly light shining on them? Or majestic wings like the ones on Christmas ornaments? Check out all the great content at kidscorner.net like the KC's Liz and Friends Podcast "At Your Service."

Other

Tour the Biblical Lands of Israel - February 26 – March 8, 2024. Experience a refreshing renewal of your faith, and gain a deeper understanding of the Bible, as you tour the biblical lands with teaching host, Pastor Peter Tuininga, and Sindbad Tours of Israel. See many of the biblical places (Jerusalem, Galilee, Caesarea, Jericho, and much more), and gain spiritual and historical insights which will make the Bible come alive for you. For complete information, cost, and registration, go to website: toursofisrael.wordpress.com or call Peter Tuininga: 1 289 877-8433 or e-mail: peter.tuininga@gmail.com



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Word Bank

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Church Duties

Date	September 10	September 17	September 24
Welcome	Ryan Flokstra	Alex Demik	Louise Dekker
Music Congregational Prayer	John & Ellen, Alyssa	Praise Team	John & Ellen, Alyssa
Open / Close Coffee Duty	Shae Knevel Ryan & Joy-Hannah Flokstra	Marlene Knevel Len & Anita Moelker	Frank & Sandi Buwalda Bob & Trudy de Haan
Sound	Ryan Flokstra	Josh Knevel	Frank Buwalda
Streaming Overhead	Meagan Demik Henk Van Tuyl	Henk Van Tuyl Jack Demik	Rebecca Bootsma Louise Dekker
Library	Margaret Kool	Louise Dekker	Sandi Buwalda
Nursery	Kristen Roth Marlene Knevel	Shae Knevel Trish Demik	Eileen Nagtegaal Lisa Schuurman

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



Church Calendar

<p>Tuesday, September 12 7:30 p.m.- Prayer Service</p> <p>Wednesday, September 13 7:00 p.m. - CST Meeting</p> <p>Thursday, September 14 Noon - Bulletin announcements due</p> <p>Saturday, September 16 8:00 a.m. - Men's Breakfast - Cora's</p> <p>Sunday, September 17 Commissioning Service & Welcome Back BBQ 10:00 a.m. - Pastor Joel Bootsma</p>	<p>Offerings: Budget & HDCH</p> <p><u>UPCOMING OFFERING COLLECTIONS</u></p> <p>September 24 - Budget & Safe Church Ministry</p> <p>October 1 - Budget & Seafarer's Ministry</p> <p>October 8 - Budget & World Renew - Free A Family</p> <p>October 15 - Budget & Ministries of our Denomination (Disability Concerns)</p>
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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 ***