

*Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous,  
and give thanks to his holy name. Ps. 97:12*



# Mt. Hope Community

Christian Reformed Church

MOUNT HOPE COMMUNITY CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH

October 15, 2023 Pastor Joel Bootsma 10:00 a.m.

Music: New Shoots

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\* (denotes please stand if you are able)

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements - Verse of the Month: Romans 12:9,10 **Rien Bassie**

**GATHERING BY GOD'S PRESENCE**

\* Call to Worship & God's Greeting

\* Opening Prayer

\* Opening Song: **LUYH #593 "Lord Most High (Be Magnified)"**

**GROUNDING IN GOD'S GRACE**

Time of Confession

Words of Assurance

Songs of Praise: **"Great Are You Lord"**  
**"Lion of Judah"**

Children's Ministry (Children ages 3-5, grades 1-4)

**GROWING IN GOD'S LOVE**

Scripture Reading: 1 Peter 2:11-3:16

Message: "Exiles - Living with Gentleness and Respect"

\*Song of Response: **LUYH #738 "Jesus, all for Jesus"**

Prayer: Church Family and Community

**GOING TO SERVE**

Offering: **Budget & Ministries of our Denomination - Disability Concerns**

\*Sending

\* Benediction

\* Closing Song of Praise: **LUYH #660 "Jesus, Draw Me Ever Nearer" / LUYH #965 "Praise God,  
from Whom All Blessings Flow"**

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

## October 15, 2023

We welcome all who join us this morning! We are being led in worship by **Pastor Joel Bootsma** and in music by **New Shoots**. Our offerings are for the **Budget & Ministries of our Denomination - Disability Concerns**. 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](mailto: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 rejoice with **Neil, Kristen, and Josie Roth**, with the birth of their new son and brother, **Gordon Patrick** last Friday, October 6th. We are grateful mom and baby are doing well. **Ted Postuma, John & Marge's son**, has been diagnosed with a large aggressive brain tumour. We pray for him, his wife and children, and for John & Marge and their family during this difficult journey. Ted will be having surgery on Tuesday, October 17th. We congratulate **Rien Bassie** who will celebrate his birthday on **October 17th**. We pray for a special blessing on him as he celebrates with his family.

### Announcements

**In Your Mailbox:** Please find a copy of the September Treasurer's Statement in your mailbox if you do NOT currently receive this digitally. There will be extra copies at the Welcome Center for those who would like one. As well, the October issue of The Banner will be in your mailboxes.

**Staff Vacation:** Please be advised that Marlene Knevel will be on holidays from **October 21 - October 28th**. Frank & Sandi Buwalda will be doing the custodial work while she is away and Henk Van Tuyl the administrative duties. Please still email or call the church office with any announcements for the bulletin. Thank you.

**Part-time Bookkeeper:** Mount Hope Community CRC is seeking a part-time bookkeeper for an average of 6 hours per week to begin January 1, 2024. Full posting details can be found on our church website [www.mounthopecommunitycrc.org](http://www.mounthopecommunitycrc.org). Any further information may be requested via email addressed to [treasurer.mhccrc@rogers.com](mailto:treasurer.mhccrc@rogers.com).

**Sunday evening studies** - This Fall we're jumping into **Jonah**. Our first gathering will be **TONIGHT, 7 p.m.** - there will be a dramatic presentation of the biblical story of *Jonah*, and then we'll have time to discuss and ask questions and drink coffee and eat goodies. We'll dive deeper into the book for 3 more sessions; every other Sunday until November 26. We hope that you can join us!

**Fall Food Drive:** It is that time of year again when we go out into the village of Mount Hope to deliver flyers and later on pick up food for our N2N Food Drive. **WE NEED YOU TO HELP!** On **Saturday, October 21st at 10:00 a.m.** we will be meeting here at the church to assemble the flyers and bags and deliver them around Mount Hope. As well, on **Saturday, November 4th** also at **10:00 a.m.** we will be driving throughout Mount Hope to pick up the food that is left on doorsteps which is brought back to the church. If you are able to help on either day or BOTH of these days, we would very greatly appreciate it. Please let **Shae Knevel** or **Marlene Knevel** know so that we can proceed accordingly. Thanks so much, the Community Service Team.

## **Community Announcements**

**Is a Heat Pump Right for Your Home?** : Replacing furnaces with heat pumps has been identified as one of the most effective means of protecting our planet from global warming. And they have increasingly been recognized as a way to reduce the escalating costs of heating. Have you considered one for your home? If you have, you may have struggled to get clear information. If you haven't, perhaps it is time to consider it. This seminar will cover the performance (including in cold weather), durability, price, operating costs and carbon emissions of modern residential heat pumps, comparing them against the furnaces that currently heat the vast majority of Canadian homes. You will learn of some of the more recent advances in commercially available heat pumps and learn how to discuss your needs and concerns with any HVAC supplier. **When?** Monday October 23 at 7:30 pm **Where?** Meadowlands Fellowship CRC, 212 Stonehenge Dr., Ancaster **Who?** **Larry McClung, P.Eng.** Recently retired from his position as the Chief Energy Systems Engineer for a mid-sized consulting engineering firm, Larry has over four decades of experience in working with renewable energy systems, including solar energy, heat pumps, wind turbines and highly effective building envelopes. A graduate of McMaster's Engineering Physics program, Larry currently resides in Ancaster, in a home heated by an air-source heat pump.  
**Sponsor:** Creation Care Support Team **Livestream:** <https://vimeo.com/event/385354>

**Mid-America Reformed Seminary** is finally headed to see our friends in Ontario! It has been far too long since we've been together. We've missed you! The Lord has been faithful as we seek to train His servants for a lifetime of fruitful ministry. Please join us for a night of celebration and fellowship on **October 28 at 5:30 p.m. at the Grand Oak Culinary Market in Vineland, ON.** You'll hear exciting updates, including our program and campus expansion plans from Dr. Cornelis P. Venema, President, Mr. Michael Deckinga, Vice-President of Advancement, Rev. Paul Ipema, Assistant Professor of Ministerial Studies and Director of the Ministerial Apprenticeship Program, current students, and alumni. You'll also lift your voice in praise and be invited to financially support the school. Please join us, and kindly let us know by Monday, October 16 that you're coming by registering at <https://bit.ly/MARS-dinner>. If you're unable to join us, but would like to support the work of the Seminary, please send your cheque to: Mid-America Reformed Seminary Foundation PO Box 10612 Stoney Creek Stn. Winona, Winona ON L8E 5R1

## **CRC Announcements**

### **World Renew**

Thank You for Supporting the Free A Family® Offering! - Your support is building capacity for families to join World Renew's programming and journey out of poverty. To learn more about the Free A Family® program and find out about our monthly giving program, visit [worldrenew.ca/FreeAFamily](http://worldrenew.ca/FreeAFamily).

### **ReFrame Ministries**

**Kids Corner:** God's Provision Gives Us Hope - Check out this week's kids' devotion at [www.kidscorner.net](http://www.kidscorner.net). God promises to give us better gifts (Matthew 7:9-11), and he promises to "take care of all [our] needs" (Philippians 4:19). This week's devotion is all about trusting God to provide, even when God's gifts might not look the way we expect. (Just think how he saved us from our sins!) Check out all the great content at [kidscorner.net](http://kidscorner.net) like the Bible story podcast "Wilderness Journey."

**Groundwork:** God is in Charge, Now and Forever - God revealed truths about the End Times to Daniel through complex images and symbolism. Join our Groundwork conversation as we conclude our study of Daniel with the dreams and prayer we find in chapters 7-12 where we discover a reassuring message from God: God is in charge and only God's kingdom will endure forever. Listen now at [GroundworkOnline.com](http://GroundworkOnline.com) and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

### **Resonate Global Mission**

**Pursuit Young Adult Conference** - Attention young adults ages 18-30! You are invited to join the Pursuit Conference on November 4th at Zion CRC in Oshawa for a day centered around pursuing God in worship, prayer, family, friends, mental health, and work. Participants will hear from three primary speakers who are passionate about equipping the next generation with a strong foundation of faith to live and spread God's word. This event-packed day will include worship and prayer, moving stories of testimony, workshops, and meals. Visit <https://www.resonateglobalmission.org/pursuit> to sign up!

Children's Bulletin

# 1 Peter

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Salvation  
Genuine  
Elect

Foreknowledge  
Trails  
Tested  
Exile

Peter  
Faith  
Inheritance

## Church Duties

| Date   | October 15  | October 22                                   | October 29  |
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| <b>Welcome</b>                               | Rien Bassie   | Len Moelker                                  | Neil Roth   |
| <b>Music</b><br><b>Congregational Prayer</b> | New Shoots  | John & Ellen, Alyssa                         | Linda Geerts<br>Bob de Haan                       |
| <b>Open / Close</b><br><b>Coffee Duty</b>    | Marlene Knevel<br>(Greg & Lisa Coffee)<br>Neil & Kristen Roth | Frank & Sandi Buwalda<br>Alex & Maegan Demik | Doug & Eileen Nagtegaal<br>Mark & Christina Demik |
| <b>Sound</b>                                 | Ryan Flokstra   | Frank Buwalda                                | Josh Knevel                                       |
| <b>Streaming</b><br><b>Overhead</b>          | Henk Van Tuyl<br>Rebecca Bootsma                              | Rebecca Bootsma<br>Mark Demik                | Jack Demik<br>Henk Van Tuyl                       |
| <b>Library</b>                               | Louise Dekker   | Sando Buwalda                                | Christina Demik                                   |
| <b>Nursery</b>                               | Sandi Buwalda<br>Eileen Nagtegaal                             | Shae Knevel<br>Lisa Schuurman                | Marlene Knevel<br>Kristen Roth                    |

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



## Church Calendar

### **Monday, October 16**

6:30 p.m. - GEMS

### **Thursday, October 19**

Noon - Bulletin announcements

### **Saturday, October 21**

Marlene on holidays - October 28th.

### **Sunday, October 22**

10:00 a.m. - Pastor Joel Bootsma

Offerings: Budget & Indwell

### **UPCOMING OFFERING COLLECTIONS**

**October 29** - Budget & Neighbour to Neighbour

**November 5** - Budget & World Renew / World Hunger

**November 12** - Budget & Benevolence

**November 19** - Budget & Ministries of our Denomination - Chaplaincy & Care 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 \*\**