



Mount Hope Community
Christian Reformed Church

MOUNT HOPE COMMUNITY CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH
November 26, 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: Romans 12:11,12 **Len Moelker**

GATHERING BY GOD'S PRESENCE

* Call to Worship & God's Greeting

* Opening Prayer

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

GROUNDING IN GOD'S GRACE

Time of Confession

Song of Confession: **LUYH #770 "In Christ Alone"**

Words of Assurance

Song of Praise: **SB #13 "My God is so Great"**

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

GROWING IN GOD'S LOVE

- Solo -

Scripture Reading: Jonah 4

Message: "God of This City"

*Song of Response: **LUYH #869 "Here I Am, Lord"**

Prayer: Church Family and Community

GOING TO SERVE

Offering: **Budget & Neighbour to Neighbour**

* Sending

* Benediction

* Closing Song of Praise: **LUYH #365 "I Serve a Risen Saviour"**

Thank you for joining us this morning!

November 26, 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** and **Neighbour to Neighbour**. 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.

Church Family

Last Sunday **Christina** received a new heart and the transplant thus far has been a success. Unfortunately Christina suffered a mild stroke on Monday but she has started to show improvements. The doctors are hopeful that she will recover from this setback. Please continue to keep **Christina, Mark, Meagan** and **Jack** and their surrounding families in your prayers. We congratulate the following members who celebrate their birthdays this week. We pray for a special day for them as they celebrate with their families and friends.

Nov 30 - Jean Postma December 3- Bob de Haan

Announcements

Jonah Bible Study: The bible "on stage" – see a small production of the book of Jonah, followed by a Q&A, and some reflections on the book by Pastor Joel Bootsma. This is our final Jonah bible study. When? **7:00 pm – 8:00 pm TONIGHT!** Refreshments included. We would love to see you there!

Mt. Hope Tree Lighting: Today from **3:30 - 5:30 p.m.** is when the Mt. Hope Tree Lighting will take place on the property on the corner of Homestead and Airport Road. We hope that you can join us for this fun community event!

Congregational Meeting: We will be having a Congregational Meeting on **Wednesday, November 29th** at **7:00 p.m.** We need a quorum to approve the budget. The bus has been arranged for those who live at Wellingstone Christian Home, (pick up at 6:15 p.m.) and if you still require a ride please speak to Marlene at the church office, thank you.

Senior's Tea - Mark Your Calendars! The Christmas Senior's Tea will be held on **Wednesday, December 6th** from **2 - 4 p.m.** Please bring a non-perishable food item for Mission Services or something for under the tree, which will also go to Mission Services. Thank you.

Attention Congregation: It is the time of the year again where with think of our “Mitten” Tree. This year we will be donating to **Mission Services**. Not only do they need hats, mittens and scarves, but they are also in need of non-perishable food, hygiene products like shampoo, deodorant, tooth paste and tooth brushes, etc. , socks and even \$5 Tim’s Gift Cards. The tree will be up **until Sunday, December 10th**, which will be your last day to bring in donations. Please prayerfully consider helping with this worthy cause.

Community Announcements

START YOUR ADVENT ON A NOTE OF PRAISE! Come to Bethel CRC, 616 Dundas Str. E., Waterdown for an Advent Hymn and Carol Sing, Sunday night **Dec. 3, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.** Lift your hearts and your voices; start the Christmas season on a joyful "note"! A thank you-offering for the Burlington Foodbank will be received. "

The **Hosanna Choir** and the **Mattaniah Christian Male Choir** will be presenting their annual Christmas concert on Friday, December 1 at 7:30pm at Ebenezer FRC, 253 Weirs Lane in Dundas. The choirs are accompanied by Andre Knevel & Ryan Vandenberg (Organ) and Naomi Noorduyn (Piano). Both choirs have recently released new CD/Audio recordings which can be purchased at the concert or via their websites (www.hosanna-choir.org and www.mattaniah.net). Looking forward to seeing you at the concert!

Annual Dutch Advent/Christmas Service: Sunday, December 3rd at **2:30 pm** at Emmanuel Reformed Church, 170 Clarke Street North, Woodstock, ON. Preaching of the word by Rev. Ralph Koops. Entire service is in the Dutch language. Refreshments after the service.

Christmas Concert - with the 100 voices of the Hosanna Choir, directed by Herman den Hollander, at Grace Community Christian Reformed Church, 70 Garner Road East. (formerly Ancaster CRC)**Monday, December 4 at 7:45pm.** Participating will be the Bell and Recorder Choirs of CCS-Hamilton. This annual event is a Benefit Concert for the Music Program at Calvin Christian School. Admission is FREE with a collection during the program. Bring a friend or neighbour. For info contact John VanderLaan at 905-648-3170

Blue Christmas Service Dec. 10th : Have you suffered the loss of a loved one, a relationship, a job? Is there something that makes facing Christmas difficult for you? If so, please join us for a service of remembrance, reflection and hope. **December 10th @ 5:00pm.** Grace Community/Ancaster CRC. 70 Garner Rd E, Ancaster . For more information contact Dr. Michael D. Fallon fallonm@mcmaster.ca.

Kerstzangmiddag: A Dutch Christmas Hymn Sing – 3pm **Sunday, December 17** there will be a Dutch Christmas Hymn Sing held at Immanuel CRC of Hamilton! Put it in your calendar, and plan to join! For more information, you may contact Femke Visser-Elenbaas at visser.elenbaas@gmail.com.

CRC Announcements

Thrive:

Thrive Faith Formation Tip - Our God is a generous God. Read Psalm 36:5-9, and spend some time thinking about the abundant gifts God has lavished on us in creation and in other ways. Make a list of everything you can think of that testifies to God's generosity. If there are kids in your home, invite them to draw pictures of those things. Hang your list where you can see it often! Learn more at crcna.org/FaithPracticesProject

ReFrame Ministries:

Groundwork: Love God By Loving One Another - Differences and disagreements are inevitable, even among Christians, because the gospel calls people of many ages, backgrounds, and experiences. Join Groundwork as we study Paul's instructions for Christian living in Romans 14-16 to discover what it looks like to live in a community and to hear the heart of Paul's message—love for God and love for each other. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

Kids Corner: When We All Work Together - Check out this week's kids' devotion at www.kidscorner.net. Did you know that Nehemiah convinced everyone to help build a wall around Jerusalem? Together they finished the work in 52 days! This week's devotion is all about how when we trust God and work together, he can accomplish some pretty amazing things through us. Check out all the great content at kidscorner.net like the Bible story podcast "The Story of Nehemiah."

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.

Diaconal Ministries Canada:

It's Giving Tuesday! - This coming Tuesday, November 28, is now known as #GivingTuesday - a day to give just a little bit back to make our world a better place! The NewGround program (formerly called Operation Manna) of Diaconal Ministries Canada equips and supports churches who want to make a difference in their local communities. This year we saw a sharp increase in grant requests: from \$35,000 last year to \$90,000 this year! Diaconal Ministries would love to help these churches be on mission in their own backyards: will you help us help them? Donate today - every single dollar will make a difference to a community in Canada that needs to see and experience the love of Jesus! Visit <https://diaconalministries.com/donate-now> today.

Resonate Global Mission:

"Advent in the Neighborhood" Free Webinar - How do you share the hope and peace of the gospel with your neighbors this season? Many of your neighbors might not know what Advent is, but most of them likely get into the festive spirit of Christmas. Advent is a wonderful opportunity to share the love of Christ, but how? Join us Monday, December 4 from 7-8:30 pm EST for a free webinar. Learn more and register at: www.resonateglobalmission.org/adventwebinar

Children's Bulletin

Jonah 4

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Church Duties

Date	November 26	December 3	December 10
Welcome	Len Moelker	Doug Nagtegaal	Rien Bassie
Music Congregational Prayer	John, Ellen & Alyssa	Mt. Hope Praise Team Henk Van Tuyl	John, Ellen & Alyssa
Open / Close Coffee Duty	Frank & Sandi Buwalda Ryan & Joy-Hannah Flokstra	Doug & Eileen Nag- tegaal Bob & Trudy de Haan	Henk & Rita Van Tuyl John & Ellen Hunse
Sound	Rebecca Bootsma	Ryan Flokstra	Frank Buwalda
Streaming Overhead	Henk Van Tuyl Henk Van Tuyl	Justin Knevel Rebecca Bootsma	Rebecca Bootsma Louise Dekker
Library	CLOSED	Sandi Buwalda	CLOSED
Nursery	Lisa Schuurman Shae Knevel	Kristen Roth Sandi Buwalda	Marlene Knevel Emma Schuurman

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



Church Calendar

Monday, November 27

7:60 p.m. - GEMS

Wednesday, November 29

7:00 p.m. - Congregational Meeting

Thursday, November 30

Noon - Bulletin announcements

Sunday, December 3 - First Sunday of Advent

Pastor Joel Bootsma

Offerings: Budget & Christmas Hampers

UPCOMING OFFERING COLLECTIONS

December 10 - Budget & Missionaries

December 17 - Budget & Dr. Bob Kemp Hos-
pice

December 24 - Budget & World Renew

December 25 - Reframe 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 ***