



*Come  
unto me, ye who  
are weary and overburdened,  
and I will give you rest. Matthew 11:28*

**Mt. Hope Community**  
Christian Reformed Church

MOUNT HOPE COMMUNITY CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH

January 21, 2024

Pastor Joel Bootsma

10:00 a.m.

Music: New Shoots

\* (please stand if you are able)

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements - Verse of the Month: Psalm 143:8

**GATHERING BY GOD'S PRESENCE**

\* Call to Worship & God's Greeting

\* Opening Prayer

\* Songs of Praise: LUYH #611 "Mighty to Save"

**GROUNDING IN GOD'S GRACE**

Time of Confession

Song of Confession: "O Come to the Altar"

Words of Assurance

Song of Praise: "Living Hope"

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

**GROWING IN GOD'S LOVE**

Scripture Reading: John 3:1-18

Message: "Nick at Night"

Song of Response: "No Longer Slaves"

Prayer: Church Family and Community

**GOING TO SERVE**

Offering: Budget & Redeemer University

\* Sending

\* Benediction

\* Closing Song of Praise: LUYH #965 "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

Thank you for joining us this morning!

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** and **Redeemer University**. 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.



We are accessible for those with hearing impairment. If you are hard of hearing, please go to the back sound booth and speak to an attendant for an assistive device.

## Children's Ministry

**Nursery** is available for children ages 0 - 3. Please sign your children in before the service. The nursery is located as soon as you enter the Fellowship Hall, on the left.

**Sunday School** is available weekly for children ages 3 years to 9 years old. Students will be dismissed to their classes during the service.

## Church Family

**Henk** and **Rita Van Tuyl's** brother, **John Van Tuyl**, remains in a coma in the hospital in Welland. Please continue to pray for him and his family as well as the medical team that is in charge of his care. We pray for all of those members who are shut ins, or are in long term care facilities who cannot attend church here with us. We know they often feel isolated and not a part of our communion of saints. A phone call, visit, or a card in the mail would be appreciated so much by these members.

**Birthdays this week:** 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.

**January 21 - Janny Bevaart; Charlie Demik**

**January 24 - Kristen Roth**

**January 25 - Marge Postuma**

**January 27 - Mark Demik**

## Announcements

**In Your Mailboxes:** Please find a copy of the new Banner in your mailboxes this morning, as well as the **December Treasurer's Statement** if you don't already receive it digitally. There are extra copies on hand at the welcome station if you would like a printed copy.

"**20-whatevers**" are invited to the Bootsma's place for lunch after our time of worship this morning. This is for anyone who falls into the "after high-school, before age 30" category. For more information, or directions, connect with Pastor Joel or Rebecca.

**Consistory (the elders) are meeting on Tuesday.** During our meetings we spend time in prayer for our church and her members. If there's something or someone you'd like prayed for, let one of our elders (Len, Ryan, Rien, Mark) or Pastor Joel know.

## Community Announcements

**Reducing Electricity Use in Your Home:** There are numerous ways in which we can use electricity more effectively. Henry Brouwer and Larry McClung, members of the Creation Care Support Team at Meadowlands Fellowship CRC, will explain how to measure and calculate the cost of electricity, what type of lights are best, how to interpret energy labels, what to look for when purchasing major appliances, and how new technologies can help us become better stewards by reducing our carbon emissions. Larry is a retired engineer with over 40 years experience working with new technologies and advising clients on energy efficiency and renewable energy. Henry is a retired Chemistry professor with an interest in climate change and how we can reduce our impacts on creation. **When?** Monday, January 22 at 7:30 pm **Where?** Meadowlands Fellowship CRC, 212 Stonehenge Dr., Ancaster **Livestream:** <https://vimeo.com/event/385354> **Questions?** Contact Henry Brouwer ([hbrouwer746@gmail.com](mailto:hbrouwer746@gmail.com))

Join us this **Wednesday, January 24, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.** for a comprehensive update on Calvin Christian School's Unity Campus. Unity has been operating on 32 Unity Side Road in Caledonia for three years now, and we are getting closer to outgrowing our current building. Find out the latest regarding Unity, including Unity's importance to the community, Current enrollment, Future enrollment, New building plans and Fundraising to date. **Where:** Unity Campus, 32 Unity Side Road, Caledonia

**NORTH OF SIXTY** will meet at Immanuel CRC this **Thursday, January 25, at 10:00 a.m.** Floyd Brobel, CEO of VOICE OF THE MARTYRS will share a presentation about their work and the challenges they face. Their goal is to give practical relief and spiritual support to families of Christian martyrs.

## CRC Announcements

### **ReFrame Ministries**

**Kids Corner: Feeling Like Enough** - Check out this week's kids' devotion at [www.kidscorner.net](http://www.kidscorner.net). It's easy to compare ourselves to others and end up feeling disappointed. Especially today, when people post so many photos of their lives online, it can be hard to feel good enough. Here's the good news: as a child of God, you are always enough! Check out all the great content at [kidscorner.net](http://kidscorner.net), like KC's The Bible in One Year Plan.

**Groundwork: Thankfulness and Gratitude** - Why are thanksgiving and gratitude important virtues for Jesus' followers to cultivate? Join our Groundwork conversation as we study Luke 17:11-19, 1 Corinthians 10:16-17, Philippians 4:4-9, and Colossians 2:6-7 to discover why grateful hearts and expressing thankfulness are essential virtues and to discuss the difference these virtues can make in our thoughts and our lives. Listen now at [GroundworkOnline.com](http://GroundworkOnline.com) and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

### **Thrive**

**Thrive Faith Formation Tip** - Phil Reinders writes, "Through the Holy Spirit, the Word shakes off ink, paper, and pixels, stepping out of the page or screen and into our daily lives. That comes through patient attentiveness, a listening that is slow and savours." Invite the Spirit to bring God's Word alive to you in ever deeper ways. Learn more at [crcna.org/FaithPracticesProject](http://crcna.org/FaithPracticesProject)

## Born Again!

In reply Jesus declared, "I tell you the truth, no one can see the kingdom of God unless he is born again." John 3:3 (NIV)

Based on John 3:1-17 (NIV)

*New Life in  
Christ*



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 G K U T D L O V E D S N I T D  
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BIRTH	TRUTH	SPIRIT	NIGHT	JEWISH
PHARISEE	AGAIN	ETERNAL	MAN	RABBI
BORN	WORLD	KINGDOM	NICODEMUS	FLESH
JESUS	LOVED	TEACHER	LIFE	WATER

## Volunteer Schedule

Date	January 21	January 28	February 4
<b>Welcome</b>	Rien Bassie	Len Moelker	Neil Roth
<b>Music</b> <b>Congregational Prayer</b>	New Shoots	John & Ellen, Alyssa	Mt. Hope Praise Team Len Moelker
<b>Open / Close</b> <b>Coffee Duty</b>	Marlene Knevel John & Ellen Hunse	Henk & Rita Van Tuyl Bob & Trudy de Haan	Doug & Eileen Nagtegaal Greg & Lisa Schuurman
<b>Sound</b>	Josh Knevel	Frank Buwalda	Ryan Flokstra
<b>Streaming</b> <b>Overhead</b>	Rebecca Bootsma Rebecca Bootsma	Justin Knevel Marlene Knevel	Henk Van Tuyl Henk Van Tuyl
<b>Library</b>	Margaret Kool	CLOSED	Louise Dekker
<b>Nursery</b>	Lisa Schuurman Marlene Knevel	Sandi Buwalda Kristen Roth	Maegan Demik Shae Knevel

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

## Church Calendar

### **Monday, January 22**

7:30 p.m. - COA Meeting

### **Tuesday, January 23**

7:30 p.m. - Elders Meeting

### **Wednesday, January 24**

7:30 p.m. - CST Meeting

### **Thursday, January 24**

10:00 a.m. - Worship Committee Meeting

12:00 noon - church announcements due for the bulletin

### **Sunday, January 28**

10:00 a.m. - Pastor Joel Bootsma

Offerings: Budget & City Kidz

### **UPCOMING OFFERING COLLECTIONS**

Feb 4 - Budget & SoCo Beach Project

Feb 11 - Budget & Hamilton Right to Life

Feb 18 - Budget & N2N

Feb 25 - Budget & Canadian Food Grains Bank (World Renew)

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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 \*\***