

LENT

Mount Hope Community CRC  
Sunday, March 3, 2024



MOUNT HOPE COMMUNITY CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH

March 3, 2024

Pastor Joel Bootsma

10:00 a.m.

Music: Praise Team

\* (please stand if you are able)

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements - Verse of the Month: Numbers 18:20      **Rien Bassie**

**GATHERING BY GOD'S PRESENCE**

\* Song: **LUYH #526 "Come, Now Is the Time to Worship"**

\* Opening Prayer

\* God's Greeting

\* Call to Worship

\* Songs of Praise: **LUYH #574 "How Great Is Our God"**

**GROUNDING IN GOD'S GRACE**

Time of Confession - Lent Litany

**The Odel's**

Prayer of Brokenness and Confession

Song of Confession: **LUYH #611 "Mighty to Save"**

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

**GROWING IN GOD'S LOVE**

Scripture: John 9

Message: "What Do I Know?"

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

Prayer: Church Family and Community

**Henk Van Tuyl**

**GOING TO SERVE**

Karen & Moses - Presentation - Working in Uganda

Offering: **Budget & Living Rock Ministry**

\* Sending

\* Benediction

\* Closing Song of Praise: **"Days of Elijah"**

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

We welcome all who join us this morning, the third Sunday of Lent. We are being led in worship by **Pastor Joel Bootsma**, and in music by the **Praise Team**. Our offerings are for the **Budget** and **Living Rock Ministry**. A special welcome to **Moses and Karen Odel**, the missionaries we support. Be sure to catch up with them after the service. 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 or instructions on how to connect to the hearing loop.

## 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

We remember our members who are unable to worship with us due to illness or mobility issues as well as those in long term care facilities. They struggle to feel a part of our community of believers as they cannot be with us in worship. Pray for them and reach out to them. **Rien's** brother, **John Bassie**, passed away during Tuesday night. We mourn the loss of life, and are thankful for the peace of Christ experienced in this situation.

**Birthdays/Anniversaries 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.

**March 3 - Lisa Schuurman**

## Announcements

**To the Congregation of Mount Hope Community CRC (Mount Hope, ON):** World Renew extends our deep gratitude for your commitment to advancing God's work of justice and mercy in our global communities. Your gifts of **\$3707.70** during 2023 helped equip 478,504 participants in 1,200 communities for a hopeful future in 29 developing countries around the globe.

**Verse of the Month:** This morning you will find a bookmark attached inside this bulletin with the new Verse of the Month for March, **Numbers 18:20** Keep it handy as we learn this verse together. "And the LORD said to Aaron, "You shall have no inheritance in their land, neither shall you have any portion among them. I am your portion and your inheritance among the people of Israel." (Numbers 18:20)

**KFC Dinner** - The Deacons and the Fellowship Committee will host the annual KFC Dinner this **Friday, March 8th** at **6:00 p.m.** There will be a bus available for those from Wellingstone Christian Homes. Pick up times are **5:15 p.m.** at Phase 2, and **5:25 p.m.** at Phase 1. If anyone else needs a ride, please call the church office so that one can be arranged. The sign up sheet is in the Fellowship Hall at the Welcome Station, **and this morning is your last chance to sign up.**

**Teaching and discussion on the Lord's Supper** - At our next Council Meeting on **Tuesday, March 19,** we'll be starting with a teaching about the Lord's Supper. And you're invited! From **7:30pm-8:30pm** we'll gather together to learn about our practice of Communion.

**Worship series** - as one of our "core 4 commitments" (along with *prayer, teaching, and fellowship*), we're going to focus on *worship* through a number of sessions of teaching + discussion on various aspects of worship. The first - about the Lord's Supper - will be held on **March 19** at **7:30 pm.**

## Community Announcements

**Calvin Christian School** is inviting Brett Ullman back on **Monday, March 25th at 7:00 pm** at the West 5th campus to speak on the topic of Parenting: Navigating Everything. Let's look together at how we can best help our children navigate the world they are growing up in. Brett Ullman will provide a captivating 90-minute discussion on guiding Christians through the journey of parenting. Let us know if you are coming by filling out the Google Form or scan the QR code. We look forward to seeing you there. Google Form: <https://forms.gle/3EoxbzkHr9Jdyht9>

**Enroll for Gr.9 @ HD!** The 2024-25 Gr. 9 class is 92% full! There are ten places available. Applications are welcome. [www.hdch.schooladmin.ca/portal/new\\_inquiry](http://www.hdch.schooladmin.ca/portal/new_inquiry)

**HDCH Eat, Give & Be Merry Market** - There are many ways to participate in this community event Apr 13, 8-2pm at HDCH and online Apr 1-11. Sign up now to be a vendor, sponsor or to donate to the presale or auction. Contact [tvandyk@hdch.org](mailto:tvandyk@hdch.org), 905.648.6655x110 or visit: [hdch.org/event/hdch-eat-give-be-merry-market/](http://hdch.org/event/hdch-eat-give-be-merry-market/)

## CRC Announcements

### World Renew

**Thank you for Walking Alongside World Renew** - Thank you for joining World Renew and Canadian Foodgrains Bank's mission to end global hunger. Through your gifts, you extend Christ's hope and love to vulnerable families in food crisis in countries where World Renew works around the world. If you would like to learn more about how World Renew is answering God's call for justice and mercy, please visit: [worldrenew.ca](http://worldrenew.ca)

### ReFrame Ministries

**Kids Corner: Living a Holy Life** - Check out this week's kids' devotion at [www.kidscorner.net](http://www.kidscorner.net). Have you ever wanted to do something that you knew wasn't right? We all wrestle with sin, but we need to take personal responsibility. We can't blame Satan for our poor behavior (Ephesians 6:11-17). Check out all the great content at [kidscorner.net](http://kidscorner.net), like KC's Lent and Easter Collection.

**Groundwork: The Shame Of The Cross** - As we seek to comprehend the fullness of Jesus' sacrifice, we need to revisit the shame of the cross. Join Groundwork as we study Isaiah 53:1-3, Philippians 2:5-8, Genesis 2:25, Genesis 3:7-10, Hebrews 12:1-3, and 1 Peter 2:4-6 to examine the relationship between sin and shame and unpack why Jesus' experience of shame was necessary for our salvation. Listen now at [GroundworkOnline.com](http://GroundworkOnline.com) and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

### Thrive

**Thrive Faith Formation Tip** - Most of us are not naturally good listeners, and that can affect our relationship with God. Practice "listening prayer" this week. Find a quiet spot, calm your mind, and invite God to speak to your heart. Learn more at [crcna.org/FaithPracticesProject](http://crcna.org/FaithPracticesProject)

### Calvin University

**Festival of Faith And Writing** - The Calvin Center for Faith and Writing invites you to attend the Festival of Faith & Writing, April 11-13, on the campus of Calvin University. The Festival features over 70 speakers, including plenary speakers Anthony Doerr, Yaa Gyasi, and Tracy K. Smith. Visit our website to see our full roster of fabulous speakers, purchase tickets, or to learn more. Questions? Reach out to [ccfw@calvin.edu](mailto:ccfw@calvin.edu).

### Other

**ART in Orvieto** - Join the Institute for Christian Studies in Italy for their summer residency, ART in Orvieto! ART in Orvieto is an advanced summer studies program in art, religion, and theology located in Orvieto, Italy - a magnificent hill town 90 minutes north of Rome. The program offers an ecumenical exploration of Christian understandings of the arts through a three-week residency designed for practicing artists, art teachers, graduate students, and other adult learners interested in engaging the intersection of art, religion, and theology. Financial aid is also available for graduate students, K-12 school teachers, and professional artists. Visit [icscanada.edu/art-in-orvieto](http://icscanada.edu/art-in-orvieto) to learn more, or email [recruitment-coordinator@icscanada.edu](mailto:recruitment-coordinator@icscanada.edu) to learn more - applications are due March 31, 2024 so don't delay!

# John 9

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pharisees  
opened  
light of the world  
man of God

washed  
give god the praise  
sabbath day  
eye  
blind  
He is a prophet

spittle  
jews  
sight  
siloam  
Lord I believe  
A man called Jesus

## Volunteer Schedule

Date	March 3	March 10	March 17
<b>Welcome</b>	Rien Bassie	Mark Demik	Ryan Flokstra
<b>Music Congregational Prayer</b>	Mt. Hope Praise Team Henk Van Tuyl	John & Ellen, Alyssa	New Shoots
<b>Open / Close Coffee Duty</b>	Shae-Lynn Knevel John & Trish Demik	Henk & Rita Van Tuyl Doug & Louise Dekker	Marlene Knevel Ryan & Joy-Hannah Flokstra
<b>Sound</b>	Ryan Flokstra	Rebecca Bootsma	Josh Knevel
<b>Streaming Overhead</b>	Henk Van Tuyl Henk Van Tuyl	Jack Demik Louise Dekker	Rebecca Bootsma Rebecca Bootsma
<b>Library</b>	Margaret Kool	CLOSED	Louise Dekker
<b>Nursery</b>	Trish Demik Sandi Buwalda	Marlene Knevel Maegan Demik	Eileen Nagtegaal Anita Moelker

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

## Church Calendar

### **Monday, March 4**

6:30 p.m. - GEMS

### **Thursday, March 7**

12:00 noon - church announcements due for the bulletin

### **Friday, March 8**

6:00 p.m. - KFC Dinner

### **Sunday, March 10 (Lord's Supper)**

10:00 a.m. - Pastor Joel Bootsma  
Offerings: Budget & Benevolence

### **UPCOMING OFFERING COLLECTIONS**

March 17 - Budget & Thrive - Faith Formation

March 24 - Budget & Calvin Seminary

March 29 - Benevolence

March 31 - Budget & Resonate Global Mission

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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 \*\***