



*Why
are you downcast,
O my soul? Why
so disturbed within me?
Put your hope in God, for I will
yet praise him, my Savior and my God.
Psalm 42:5-6*

MOUNT HOPE
CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH

MOUNT HOPE COMMUNITY CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH
May 5, 2024 **Pastor Joel Bootsma** **10:00 a.m.**
Music: Mt. Hope Praise Team

* (please stand if you are able)

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements - Verse of the Month: Acts 2:38-39 **Ryan Flokstra**

GATHERING BY GOD'S PRESENCE

* God's Greeting

* Opening Prayer

* Call to Worship

* Songs of Praise: **LUYH #375 "Your Name"**
LUYH #559 "Ten Thousand Reasons"

GROUNDED IN GOD'S GRACE

Time of Confession

Song of Confession: **LUYH #521 "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"**

Words of Assurance

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

GROWING IN GOD'S LOVE

Scripture: 1 Kings 19

Message: "People in Prayer - Elijah"

Song of Response: **LUYH #896 "Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying"**

Prayer: Church Family and Community

GOING TO SERVE

Offerings: **Budget & Diaconal Ministries - Canadian NewGround**

* Sending

* Benediction

* Closing Song of Praise: **LUYH #938 "My Friends, May You Grow in Grace"**

Thank you for joining us this morning!

We welcome all who join us this morning. **Pastor Joel Bootsma** will lead us in worship and the **Mt. Hope Praise Team** in music. Our offerings are for the **Budget** and **Diaconal Ministries - Canadian NewGround**. You are reminded that you can also donate through the "Give" function on the Bridge App, as well as e-transfer to **accounting.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: mounthopecommunitycrc.org, or from our YouTube Channel: [Mount Hope Community Church](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC...). 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

Rien Bassie had surgery on Friday to remove a growth from on his head. We pray that he will have a quick recovery and he will receive good news moving forward.

Birthdays/Anniversaries this week: We congratulate the following members who will celebrate their birthdays or anniversaries this coming week. We pray for a special day for them with their family and friends: ***There are none this week!***

Announcements

In Your Mailbox: Please find a copy of the Spring Newsletter IN TOUCH from Calvin Christian School in your mailboxes this morning. Please remember to empty your mailboxes on a weekly basis. Thank you.

Are you involved with the **audio-visual crew** on Sunday mornings? We're getting together after the service and coffee-fellowship **this morning**. We'll go over what's all involved in the technical part of our Sunday services, and make sure we're all on the same page with sound, 'projection', and livestreaming.

New Verse of the Month - May: "Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. The promise is for you and your children and for all who are far off - for all whom the Lord our God will call." (Acts 2:38-39)

Ascension Day Service: This **Thursday, May 9th**, is Ascension Day. We're having an Ascension Day Prayer Service here at **7:30 p.m.** If you require a ride, please let Marlene know at the church office and we can arrange one for you. Thank you.

Dear friends of Mount Hope Community Christian Reformed Church,

We would like to thank you for your recent contribution to supporting students at Redeemer University. As students wrapped up exams, headed home for the summer or graduated, I am reminded of the Lord's many blessings and his promises for our future. Mount Hope Community Christian Reformed Church's partnership has played a direct role in ensuring Redeemer can offer an affordable Christian post-secondary education.

Community Announcements

Christian Education Week at Calvin Christian School (West 5th Campus): CCS is excited to celebrate the blessings of Christian education. We invite family and friends of CCS to join us for our annual Open House which is scheduled for **Thursday, May 9**. Our students and their teachers are excited to showcase the beautiful work that they have created this past school year. We hope that you will join us for this special day. Our doors open at **9:00 a.m.**

Grandparents/Grandfriends Day: The following day, **Friday, May 10**, we invite the grandparents or grandfriends of our students to join us for an afternoon of performance and fellowship. This special day begins at **12:30 p.m.** with a coffee/tea social time. At **1:00 p.m.**, our students will showcase their talents via musical presentations. At **2:00 p.m.**, our special guests will have the opportunity to visit the classrooms and connect with their loved ones. We look forward to welcoming you to CCS!

Please save the date for our May Plant Sale! It will be held on **Saturday, May 25th from 9am-1pm** here at Shalom! We hope you will consider us for your garden and porch needs this year – Why? Because the proceeds go directly to improving our Resident experience! What a great cause! There will also be a bake sale, raisin buns, and coffee & cake for sale in the café. Our General Store will be open and well-stocked with Dutch goodies and a BBQ Lunch will take place from 11-1pm. We really hope we will see you there!

Libertas Male Choir Concerts - Join us for upcoming concerts at Elora Knox Presbyterian Church (51 Church St E, Elora, ON) on Thursday, May 30 at 7.30 PM; Knox Presbyterian Church (59 Riddell St, Woodstock, ON) on Friday, May 31 at 7.30 PM; or Mountainview CRC (290 Main St East, Grimsby, ON) on Saturday, June 1 at 7.30 PM. Tickets: Adult \$25, Youth (10-14) \$10. Child under 10: Free. E transfer: Tjitskevr@outlook.com. Email info: rtveld96@gmail.com. or Call: 905 522 0001 or 905 745 5609. Tickets at the door: Cash only. Learn more at www.libertasvoices.com. Libertas Male Choir is directed by Martin Mans and accompanied by organist Martin Zonnenberg and pianist Joyce Postmus.

CRC Announcements

Thrive

Thrive Faith Formation Tip - In *Whistling in the Dark*, Frederick Buechner writes, “Thy kingdom come . . . on earth’ is what we are saying. . . . To speak those words is to invite the tiger out of the cage, to unleash a power that makes atomic power look like a warm breeze.” What are we asking when we pray for God’s kingdom to come on earth? Learn more at crcna.org/FaithPracticesProject

World Renew

Please Help Reduce the Global Maternal and Newborn Death Rate - Maternal and newborn deaths in the Global South are often a result of preventable causes, including unsafe practices and unclean birthing conditions that are dismissed as “the way things have always been done.” World Renew works with local partners to provide training in proper health and nutrition practices to volunteers who share their knowledge through home visits to the homes of new and expectant mothers. Next week, join World Renew for Women of Hope Sunday and through your gift you can help provide crucial training and support to help reduce maternal and newborn deaths. For more information go to: worldrenew.ca/womenofhope

ReFrame Ministries

Kids Corner: The Unhurried Jesus - Check out this week’s kids’ devotion at www.kidscorner.net. Jesus knew that quiet time with God is special in a busy world. Sometimes, when all the activity stops and our bodies slow down, we feel bored. Instead of searching for a way to fill the quiet with extra activities, try this: Talk to God! Check out all the great content at kidscorner.net, like the KC Bible Story Podcasts.

Groundwork: Spiritual Priorities in Haggai and Zechariah - In good times and bad, life is full of struggles and challenges. Even when God answers our prayers, the way forward isn’t always straight. Join Groundwork as we study Haggai 1-2 and Zechariah 1-14 to glean biblical wisdom for navigating and enduring our own spiritual and physical challenges today and find courage to continue trusting God. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork’s weekly emails for future episodes.

CRC Communications

Please pray for Synod 2024! - We need everyone to be involved. The theme for synod worship and prayer is God With Us. You can sign up to pray on your own, with your church or small group, or at Calvin University in June. Check out the many opportunities at crcna.org/synod/prayer and join us in humble prayer for God’s will to be done in the CRC. Email SynodPrayer@crcna.org with your questions or comments.

The Banner

The Banner’s Counting On You! - Please support the award-winning, journalistic ministry of the CRC by donating online today. \$500,000 is needed every year to keep The Banner going. The more funds we are able to raise, the less we need to draw on ministry shares, releasing money to other ministries of the CRCNA. Give now at: TheBanner.org/Give

Elijah

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mount sinai	broom tree	earthquake	whisper
prophet	elisha	ravens	famine
Elijah	widow	altar	ahab
cave	baal	fire	wind

Volunteer Schedule

Date	May 5	May 12 Mother's Day	May 19
Welcome	Ryan Flokstra	Louise Dekker	Neil Roth
Music Congregational Prayer	Mt. Hope Praise Team	John & Ellen, Alyssa Len Moelker	New Shoots
Open / Close Coffee Duty	Marlene Knevel Doug & Louise Dekker	Frank & Sandi Buwalda John & Ellen Hunse	Doug & Eileen Nagtegaal Ryan & Joy-Hannah Flokstra
Sound	Ryan Flokstra	Frank Buwalda	Ryan Flokstra
Streaming Overhead	Henk Van Tuyl Henk Van Tuyl	Justin Knevel Marlene Knevel	Rebecca Bootsma Rebecca Bootsma
Library	CLOSED	Sandi Buwalda	CLOSED
Nursery	Maegan Demik Eileen Nagtegaal	Rebecca Bootsma Marlene Knevel	Anita Moelker Lisa Schuurman

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

Church Calendar

Wednesday, May 8

8:00 a.m. - Men's Breakfast - Ancaster Egg & I

Thursday, May 9

12:00 noon - church announcements due for the bulletin

7:30 p.m. - Ascension Day Prayer Service

Sunday, May 12 Lord's Supper / Mother's Day

10:00 a.m. - Pastor Joel Bootsma

Offerings: Budget & Benevolence

UPCOMING OFFERING COLLECTIONS

May 19 - Budget & World Renew - Women of Hope

May 26 - Budget & Missionaries

June 2 - Budget & Neighbour to Neighbour

June 9 - Budget & Dr. Bob Kemp Hospice

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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 ***