



*Happy is the man who finds
wisdom and understanding,
for the gain from it is
better than gain from
silver and profit better
than gold. Pr. 3:13,14*

MOUNT HOPE COMMUNITY
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February 1, 2026 10:00 a.m.

Pastor: Pastor Joel Bootsma **Music:** Praise Team

(please stand if you are able)

Welcome & Announcements - Verse of the Month: Hosea 2:19-20 **Doug Dekker**

GATHERING BY GOD'S PRESENCE

* God's Greeting & Opening Prayer

* Call to Worship

* Song of Praise: **LUYH #574 "How Great is our God"**

GROUNDING IN GRACE

Time of Confession & Assurance

Song: **LUYH #682 "Before the Throne of God Above"**

Children's song: **LUYH #610 "Lord, I Lift Your Name on High"**

Children dismissed for Children's Ministry

GROWING IN GOD'S LOVE

Scripture Reading: Amos 5:4-24

Sermon: "True Religion"

* Song of Response: **LUYH #295 "Let Justice Flow"**

Prayer: Church Family and Community

Henk Van Tuyl

GOING TO SERVE

Offering: **Budget & ThereforeGo Ministries**

* Sending

* Benediction

* Closing Song of Praise: **"Blessed Assurance (My King is Coming)"**

Thank you for joining us this morning!

We welcome all who join us this morning in worship. **Pastor Joel Bootsma** will lead us in worship and **the Praise Team** in music ministry. Our offerings are for the **Budget** and **ThereforeGo Ministries**. 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: mounthopcommunitycrc.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.



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

Joan Elzinga moved into Assisted Living at RVilla Caledonia Retirement home on Friday. We pray that she will soon feel settled in and comfortable in her new home. (See her new address below, she would appreciate a note or card.)

Birthdays/Anniversaries this week: We congratulate the following members who will celebrate their birthdays or anniversaries this week. May you be blessed and have a special day with your family and friends:

February 5 - Rita Van Tuyl (77th Birthday)

February 8 - Alyssa Tisch (39th Birthday)

Joan's New Address: Unit 129, 339 Argle Street South, Caledonia ON N3W 1L7
Home Phone: 289-523-0914.

In Your Mailbox: For those members who do not receive a copy digitally, you will find the **December Treasurer's Statement** in your mailbox this morning. As well, there is a few extra copies if you would like a printed one, by the Welcome Station in the Fellowship Hall.

Announcements

From the Deacons: The next month of offerings are for “International Missions”. It starts with ThereforeGo Ministries for today, World Renew for the 8th, Mission Aviation Fellowship for the 15th and Resonate Global Mission for the 22nd. Thank you.

New Verse of the Month: For February our new Verse of the Month is from Hosea 2:19-20 **“I will betroth you to myself forever. I will betroth you to myself in righteousness, and in justice, and in love, and in compassion. I will betroth you to myself in faithfulness, and you shall know the Lord.”** You will find a bookmark in this bulletin as well, it is in the announcement section of the Bridge App.

Community Announcements

The Act Five Discipleship Community invites you to join in our annual Winter Learning Series, “Unreliable Instincts: The Case for a Robust Christian Imagination.” The interactive lectures take place on Wednesdays between **February 18-March 25th** at 705 Main Street East, Hamilton. 10\$/lecture or \$50 for the entire series. Register today at actfive.ca

SUPPORTING THOSE WITH DEMENTIA: On **Monday, February 9**, Heather Luth will lead a workshop in Meadowlands Fellowship church focused on supporting those with dementia. Heather is a creative and compassionate pioneer in this field with a great deal of wisdom to share. She writes, "My specialty is supporting people who are living with dementia to enable them to live well, with purpose, dignity and autonomy even as their mind and body changes." Statistics tell us that 15% of the 65+ population and 35% of the 85+ population will live with dementia, and it is likely that all of us will be touched by this in some way. Please join us on FEB 9 at **7:30 pm**. to learn more about the changes that are part of living with dementia and some simple tips on how we can come alongside!

It's time get your tickets for the annual Hosanna & Mattaniah Choirs Concert at HAMILTON'S FIRST ONTARIO CONCERT HALL!! – April 4, 2026, DV Tickets are now available for the annual combined concert of the Hosanna Choir & Mattaniah Christian Male Choir concert which will once again be held, the Lord willing, at FirstOntario Concert Hall, 1 Summers Lane, Hamilton on Saturday, April 4 at 7:30pm. The choirs will be accompanied by Ryan Vandenberg (Organ), Andre Knevel (Organ), and Naomi Noorduynd (Piano) and the **16-piece Scott Harrison String/Brass/Percussion Ensemble**. Tickets are available at \$25 & \$35, and can be purchased through the choir's website (www.hosanna-choir.org). If you have any questions, please contact Wendy den Hollander at 905-628-1211 or at hdenhollander@yahoo.com.

Calvin Christian School (West 5th & Unity Campus) Enrollment is Now Open: Enrollment for the 2026/2027 school year is now open, and we're excited to welcome new families interested in providing a Bible-based education for their children, where they can Grow, Believe, Become, and Serve. Contact the [office](#) to schedule a consultation with the principal, where you can ask questions and learn more about Christ-centred education at CCS!

CAMP SHALOM SUMMER STAFF: Working at Camp Shalom has been life-changing for so many people. Grow in your faith, meet great new friends, make a meaningful impact on other people and earn money for your future. We're hiring 50 young adults as counselors, lifeguards, kitchen staff, and maintenance staff who are looking for a summer of fun and are interested in sharing the Gospel with those around them! All positions are paid and you must be 16 years old before Dec. 31st, 2026 to apply. Visit www.countrysidecamp.com to apply and for a list of available positions.

TrueCity Conference: Friday, February 20 & Saturday, February 21, Immanuel CRC (61 Mohawk Road W, Hamilton) Visit our website (www.truecity.ca) to purchase your tickets. Adults \$30 // Students \$15 // Kids 12 & Under Free And a special treat ... Friday Evening is FREE for everyone!

TrueCity Prayer Room February 21st @ 6pm - March 7th @ 2pm Open Daily from 8am - 10pm
(GOHOP Prayer Room - 1907 King St E) We would love for your church to come & take part in this 2-week prayer event. If a group from your church would like to come (youth group, small group, bible study group, etc.), or if your church would like to pick a specific block of time where individuals come to pray each hour, please email Ian Stuart to let him know (stuartian2000@gmail.com).

CRC Announcements

ReFrame Ministries

Kids Corner Devotions: Patience: God is at Work in You - Check out this week's kids' devotion, "Patience: God is at Work in You," at www.kidscorner.net. Feeling impatient when things don't go your way? Remember, just like Paul in the Bible, God can help you be patient and trust His perfect timing! Check out all the great content at kidscorner.net, like Kids Corner Valentine's Day Cards.

Groundwork: The Biblical Meaning of Forgiveness - Telling someone to forgive is easy. Actually offering forgiveness can be a lot more difficult. Join Groundwork as we study Exodus 34:4-9, Matthew 6:12-15, Psalm 51:1-9, Hebrews 4:14-16, Colossians 1:9-14, and 1 John 1:5-10 to discuss the biblical concept of forgiveness by beginning with God's forgiveness and what it teaches us about God's character. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

Thrive

Thrive Faith Formation Tip - As we begin Black History Month, let's take time to explore and reflect on the church's role in Black history. One way to do this is to commit to learning from voices that have shaped both the Black experience and the broader Christian tradition. For example, choose two Black theologians—one historical and one contemporary—and study how their theological insights have influenced not only Black history but also the life and witness of the institutional church. If you have young children, consider reading one of these picture books together: God's Very Good Idea by Trillia Newbell or Let it Shine by Ashley Bryan. Brought to you by Thrive: crcna.org/Thrive

Children's Bulletin

Prophets in the Bible

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Amos	Joel
Elijah	Jonah
Elisha	Malachi
Ezekiel	Micah
Habakkuk	Micaiah
Haggai	Nahum
Hosea	Obadiah
Huldah	Oded
Isaiah	Zechariah
Jeremiah	Zepaniah

Volunteer Schedule

Date	February 1	February 8	February 15
Welcome	Doug Dekker	Doug Nagtegaal	Len Moelker
Music	Praise Team	Ed Bosveld	Bruce VanderMolen
Congregational Prayer	Henk Van Tuyl		
Open / Close	Frank & Sandi Buwalda	Shae Knevel	Henk & Rita Van Tuyl
Coffee Duty	Neil & Kristen Roth	Alex & Maegan Demik	John & Trish Demik
Sound	Frank Buwalda	Rebecca Bootsma	Josh Knevel
Streaming	Rebecca Bootsma	Jack Demik	Henk Van Tuyl
Overhead	Rebecca Bootsma	Jack Demik	Henk Van Tuyl
Nursery	Maegan Demik Shae Knevel	Sandi Buwalda Kristen Roth	Anita Moelker Louise Dekker

If you are **unable** to fulfill one of your scheduled duties, we ask that you please find your own replacement. Thank you.

Church Calendar

Tuesday, February 3

7:30 p.m. - Prayer Gathering

Thursday, February 5

12:00 noon - Bulletin Announcements due

Saturday, February 7

Rental at church

Sunday, February 8

10:00 a.m. - Pastor Joel Bootsma

Offerings: Budget & World Renew

SCHEDULED OFFERING COLLECTIONS

February 15 - Budget & Mission Aviation Fellowship

February 22 - Budget & Resonate Global Mission

March 1 - Budget & Reframe Ministries

March 8 - Budget & Indigenous Ministry Canada

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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