



*May
the God
of hope fill you
with all joy and peace as you
trust in him, so that you may overflow
with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit. Romans 15:13*

Mt. Hope Community

Christian Reformed Church

MOUNT HOPE COMMUNITY CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH

January 25, 2026 10:00 a.m.

Pastor: Pastor Joel Bootsma **Music:** Leah Lammers

(please stand if you are able)

Welcome & Announcements - Verse of the Month: Psalm 3:3 **Shae Knevel**

GATHERING BY GOD'S PRESENCE

* God's Greeting & Opening Prayer

* Call to Worship

* Song of Praise: **LUYH #2 "O Worship the King"**

GROUNDING IN GRACE

Time of Confession

Song of Confession: **LUYH #639 "Lord, Have Mercy"**

Words of Assurance

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

Children dismissed for Children's Ministry

GROWING IN GOD'S LOVE

Scripture Reading: Amos 5:21-24

Sermon: "True Religion"

* Song of Response: **LUYH #739 "I Surrender All"**

Prayer: Church Family and Community

GOING TO SERVE

Offering: **Budget & Ministry to Seafarers**

* Sending

* Benediction

* Closing Song of Praise: **LUYH #926:1,3,4 "God of Grace and God of Glory"**

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 **Leah Lammers** in music ministry. Our offerings are for the **Budget** and **Ministry to Seafarers**. 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 remains in the hospital but is showing some signs of improvement. Continue to pray for her and her family as she proceeds with her physiotherapy and gaining her strength back. We pray for **Louise & Doug Dekker** and **Lora & Dan Roy**, and their families as they continue to mourn the death of Margaret. Her Memorial Service was held here in our church on Friday. May we all be comforted during our time of mourning and sadness.

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:

January 27 - Mark Demik (53rd Birthday)

January 30 - Nasrin Payamisaloot

Announcements

GEMS - We meet again this Monday at **6:30 p.m.**

Consistory: Will meet this **Tuesday, January 27th** at **7:00 p.m.**

Community Announcements

It's time get your tickets for the annual Hosanna & Mattaniah Choirs Concert at HAMILTON'S FIRSTONTARIO 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 Noorduyn (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 Campus) Kindergarten Open House: Families are warmly invited to join us on **Thursday, January 29, from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.**, to explore what makes Calvin Christian School a wonderful place for Christ-centred learning. This drop-in event is open to parents and children who are eligible to begin Kindergarten in **September 2026**. Come meet our staff, ask questions, and see firsthand how biblical truth is thoughtfully woven into every aspect of learning at CCS. CCS is a place where students come to GROW in knowledge and faith, BELIEVE in the truth of Scripture, BECOME more Christ-like, and SERVE with impact. We look forward to welcoming you on January 29!

Calvin Christian School (Unity Campus) Kindergarten Open House: Families are warmly invited to join us on **Friday, January 30, from 9:30 to 11:15 am**, to explore what makes Calvin Christian School a wonderful place for Christ-centred learning. This drop-in event is open to parents and children who are eligible to begin Kindergarten in **September 2026**. Come meet our staff, ask questions, and see firsthand how biblical truth is thoughtfully woven into every aspect of learning at CCS. CCS is a place where students come to GROW in knowledge and faith, BELIEVE in the truth of Scripture, BECOME more Christ-like, and SERVE with impact. We look forward to welcoming you on January 30!

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.

CRC Announcements

ReFrame Ministries

Kids Corner Devotions: Gentleness: It's Your Move - Check out this week's kids' devotion, "Gentleness: It's Your Move," at www.kidscorner.net. Discover the secret power of gentleness—a strength that helps you stay kind, calm, and caring even when things get tough. Like carefully moving a Jenga® block, your gentle words and actions can help keep hearts standing strong! Check out all the great content at kidscorner.net, like KC's The Bible in One Year Plan.

Groundwork: Saved by Grace Alone. Let Your Works Respond Accordingly. - The apostle Paul wrote a lot about salvation and the Christian life. Study Galatians 2:19-21, Galatians 3:1-3, Galatians 5:13-25, Romans 8:1-4, and Colossians 3:12-14 with Groundwork to gain clarity from his teaching on how we walk in step with the Spirit and grow in Christlikeness while keeping grace and Christ's work on the cross at the center of salvation. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

Celebrating 75 Years of Today - For 75 years, Today has been part of the daily rhythms of faith for readers around the world, and we thank God for the ways these devotions continue to point people to Christ. ReFrame Ministries invites you to a special virtual Direct Connect on Thursday, January 29 at 1:00 pm EST as we celebrate this milestone, reflect on God's faithfulness, and look ahead to what God is still doing through Today. Register at reframeministries.org/events. A recording will be shared with all who sign up.

Thrive

Thrive Faith Formation Tip - The faith practice of remembering provides a way to center our attention on what God has done in our lives as a reminder that God is with us here and now. As the month of January draws to a close, share your favorite memory from the past month or past year with your family members or friends, recognizing God's care and love for you in that moment. For more info on the faith practice of remembering, see crcna.org/FaithPracticesProject/remembering. Brought to you by Thrive: crcna.org/Thrive

Children's Bulletin

Bible Prophets

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Deborah	Ezekiel	Malachi	Micaiah	Mirrian	Noadiah
Obadiah	Ahijah	Daniel	Elijah	Elisha	Haggai
Huldah	Isaiah	Nathan	Samuel	Aaron	David
Hosea	Jonah	Micah	Moses	Nahum	Amos
Jehu	Joel	Oded	Gad		

Volunteer Schedule

Date	January 25	February 1	February 8
Welcome	Shae Knevel	Doug Dekker	Doug Nagtegaal
Music	Leah Lammers	Praise Team	Emma Schuurman
Congregational Prayer		Henk Van Tuyl	
Open / Close	Marlene Knevel	Frank & Sandi Buwalda	Shae Knevel
Coffee Duty	Clifford & Kathy Turks- tra	Neil & Kristen Roth	Alex & Maegan Demik
Sound	Josh Knevel	Frank Buwalda	Rebecca Bootsma
Streaming	Meagan Demik	Rebecca Bootsma	Jack Demik
Overhead	Louise Dekker	Rebecca Bootsma	Jack Demik
Nursery	Rebecca Bootsma Alyssa Tisch	Maegan Demik Shae Knevel	Sandi Buwalda Kristen Roth

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

Church Calendar

Monday, January 26

6:30 p.m. - GEMS

Tuesday, January 27

7:00 p.m. - Consistory Meeting

Thursday, January 29

12:00 noon - Bulletin Announcements due

Sunday, February 1

10:00 a.m. - Pastor Joel Bootsma

Offerings: Budget & ThereforeGo Ministries

SCHEDULED OFFERING COLLECTIONS

February 8 - Budget & World Renew

February 15 - Budget & Mission Aviation Fellowship

February 22 - Budget & Resonate Global Mission

March 1 - Budget & Reframe Ministries

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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