



*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

**February 8, 2026 10:00 a.m.**

**Pastor:** Pastor Joel Bootsma **Music:** Mr. Ed Bosveld

( please stand if you are able)

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

**GATHERING BY GOD'S PRESENCE**

- \* Call to Worship (overhead)
- \* Song: **LUYH #347 "The Steadfast Love of the Lord"**
- \* God's Greeting & Opening Prayer
- \* Song of Praise: **LUYH #348 "Great is Thy Faithfulness"**

**GROUNDED IN GOD'S GRACE**

Time of Confession  
Song of Confession: **LUYH #737 "Have Thine Own Way, Lord"**  
Words of Assurance  
Song of Assurance: **LUYH #709 "Jesus Loves Me"**  
Children dismissed for Children's Ministry

**GROWING IN GOD'S LOVE**

Scripture Reading: Habakkuk 2:1-5  
Sermon: "Waiting on God"  
\* Song of Response: **LUYH #407 "If You But Trust in God to Guide You"**  
Prayer: Church Family and Community

**GOING TO SERVE**

Offering: **Budget & World Renew**  
\* Sending  
\* Benediction  
\* Closing Song of Praise: **LUYH #782 "In God the Father I Believe"**

**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 we welcome **Mr. Ed Bosveld** who will play the organ for us this morning. Our offerings are for the **Budget** and **World Renew**. 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](mailto: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](http://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

**Fenny Jagt's** sister (Marge) and brother (George), who live out West, have both passed away in the last couple of weeks. We pray for her and her family as they mourn the loss of their family members.

**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 8 - Alyssa Tisch (39th) February 9 - Alida Zantingh (93rd)**

**February 14 - Gus & Irene VanOmmeren - 42nd Anniversary**

## Announcements

**Church Parking Lot:** Please note that on **Monday, February 9th**, there is a TV shoot taking place down the street in Mt. Hope. Our parking lot will be used for the day by the production crew. There will be limited access to Homestead Drive for the entire day of shooting.

**From the Deacons:** Our offering next week is for **Mission Aviation Fellowship**. MAF is a ministry that does three things, they deliver supplies to communities that are otherwise inaccessible and are often missionary sites. They ferry people to and from these sites, and they also provide medevac to bring people from these remote communities to health centres in larger cities.

**Church Duties:** If there is anyone who would like to help out with being in the nursery (requires a police check) or with cleaning up the coffee after church on Sundays and you are not currently on the list, can you please let Marlene know and she can make arrangements to add you. Thank you!

**Attention Congregation - Re: Church Library:** Although we no longer have volunteers helping with the Library on Sunday mornings, the doors are always unlocked and there are still a number of books available to read. Just take them with you and return them when you are finished reading. There is a nice collection of books in the Little Hope Library outside, where a lot of Mt. Hope residents have donated books as well.

## 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](http://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 Noorduyt (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](http://www.hosanna-choir.org)). If you have any questions, please contact Wendy den Hollander at 905-628-1211 or at [hdenhollander@yahoo.com](mailto:hdenhollander@yahoo.com).

**HDCH Spring Market: Growing Together** - Sat Apr 18, 10am-3pm! There will be a vendor market, coffee shop, complimentary lunch, flowers and plants, kids activities, raffles and more. Items purchased through our online auction and presale (Mar 26-Apr 2) will also be available for pickup. For more info, to donate or register as a vendor, visit: [hdch.org/events/hdch-growing-together-vendor-market](http://hdch.org/events/hdch-growing-together-vendor-market) or contact Leanne ([lwrench@hdch.org](mailto:lwrench@hdch.org), 905-648-6655x104).

**Ask The Experts:** Come to HDCH Wed Feb 25, 10am, for a panel discussion on will planning and financial stewardship, all in a Christian context. Contact Sandra Baker, 905-648-6655 x 122, [sbaker@hdch.org](mailto:sbaker@hdch.org) to register (free).

**TrueCity Conference:** **Friday, February 20 & Saturday, February 21**, Immanuel CRC (61 Mohawk Road W, Hamilton) Visit our website ([www.truecity.ca](http://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](mailto:stuartian2000@gmail.com)).

**Safe Church Conference:** The annual Inter-Classis Safe Church Conference will be held on **Saturday, March 7, 2026** from **9 AM – 3 PM** at Waterloo CRC. At a time of history when truth is being challenged and when power is being abused, join us for a time of learning and discussion. Our plenary speaker will be Dr. James Watson who will be joined by speakers Cathi Watson, Dr. Stephen Vander Klippe, and Julia Rathbun. For further information and registration go to <https://crcna.regfox.com/2026-classis-huron-safe-church-conference>. This conference is for all ministry leaders and those interested in making our churches safe places to work, volunteer and worship. For additional information, contact Pastor Carel Geleynse (Classis Huron Safe Church Coordinator) at [carelgeleynse20@gmail.com](mailto:carelgeleynse20@gmail.com). We would love to see you at the conference!

## CRC Announcements

### **ReFrame Ministries**

**Kids Corner Devotions:** Kindness: Practice, Practice, Practice - Check out this week's kids' devotion, "Kindness: Practice, Practice, Practice," at [www.kidscorner.net](http://www.kidscorner.net). Kindness is something you can get better at by practicing a little every day, just like a sport or a talent. Even small choices—like sharing, helping, or speaking gently—can make a big difference and inspire others to be kind too. Check out all the great content at [kidscorner.net](http://kidscorner.net), like Kids Corner Valentine's Day Cards.

**Groundwork:** What it Means to Forgive and Why it Matters - We're human in a sin-filled world; brokenness and grievances will happen. God calls us to forgive. Join Groundwork as we study Ephesians 4:31-32, Colossians 3:12-13, Matthew 18:21-35, Romans 12:17-21, and Psalm 13:1-2 to learn how our ability to forgive others grows out of God's forgiveness, what forgiveness looks like in everyday life, and what to do when it's not easy. Listen now at [GroundworkOnline.com](http://GroundworkOnline.com) and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

### **Thrive**

**Thrive Faith Formation Tip** - As you prepare to celebrate Valentine's Day this week, spend some time learning about Saint Valentine and his ministry to persecuted Christians. Explore why Valentine's Day was first celebrated, and spend time as a family, with your friends, or on your own, praying for persecuted Christians around the world. If you know missionaries serving in areas where Christians are persecuted, consider making and sending cards to encourage them in their ministry. Brought to you by Thrive: [crcna.org/Thrive](http://crcna.org/Thrive)

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## Volunteer Schedule

Date	February 8	February 15	February 22
<b>Welcome</b>	Doug Nagtegaal	Len Moelker	Anita Moelker
<b>Music</b>	Ed Bosveld	Bruce VanderMolen	Leah Lammers
<b>Congregational Prayer</b>			
<b>Open / Close</b>	Shae Knevel	Henk & Rita Van Tuyl	Marlene Knevel
<b>Coffee Duty</b>	Alex & Maegan Demik	John & Trish Demik	Mark & Christina Demik
<b>Sound</b>	Rebecca Bootsma	Josh Knevel	Frank Buwalda
<b>Streaming</b>	Jack Demik	Henk Van Tuyl	Mark Demik
<b>Overhead</b>	Jack Demik	Henk Van Tuyl	Marlene Knevel
<b>Nursery</b>	Sandi Buwalda Kristen Roth	Anita Moelker Louise Dekker	Marlene Knevel Rebecca Bootsma

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, February 9

(ALL Day - filming on Homestead Drive - Parking Lot Rental)

10:00 a.m. - Worship Team Meeting

6:30 p.m. - GEMS (Valentine's Party)

### Tuesday, February 10

7:00 p.m. - Council Meeting

### Wednesday, February 11

8:00 a.m. - Men's Breakfast (Egg & I - Upper James Location)

### Thursday, February 12

12:00 noon - Bulletin Announcements due

### Sunday, February 15

10:00 a.m. - Pastor Joel Bootsma

Offerings: Budget & Mission Aviation Fellowship

### SCHEDULED OFFERING COLLECTIONS

February 22 - Budget & Resonate Global Mission

March 1 - Budget & Reframe Ministries

March 8 - Budget & Indigenous Ministry Canada

March 15 - Budget & DMC NewGround

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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