



*You are
all sons of God
through faith in Christ
Jesus, for all of you who were
baptized into Christ have clothed
yourselves with Christ. Gal. 3:26-27*

Mount Hope Community

Christian Reformed Church

MOUNT HOPE COMMUNITY CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH

April 12, 2026 10:00 a.m.

Pastor: Pastor Joel Bootsma **Music:** Anne te Grotenhuis

(please stand if you are able)

Welcome & Announcements - Verse of the Month - **Sandi Buwalda**

GATHERING BY GOD'S PRESENCE

* God's Greeting & Opening Prayer

* Call to Worship

* Song of Praise: **LUYH #181 "See, What a Morning"**

GROUNDING IN GOD'S GRACE

Time of Confession

Song of Confession: **LUYH #660 "Jesus, Draw Me Ever Nearer"**

Words of Assurance

Song: **LUYH #193:1,2,4,7 "I Know that My Redeemer Lives"**

Children dismissed for Children's Ministry

GROWING IN GOD'S LOVE

Scripture Reading: Matthew 3:13-4:11

Message: "To Fulfill All Righteousness"

Song of Response: **"He Will Hold Me Fast"**

Prayer: Church Family and Community

GOING TO SERVE

Offering: **Benediction & City Kidz**

* Sending

* Benediction

* Closing Song: **LUYH #187 "Thine Is the 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 **Anne te Grotenhuis** will lead us in music ministry. Our offerings are for the **Budget** and **City Kidz**. 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

We continue to keep **Jean Postma** in our prayers as she recovers from her broken hip and recent surgery.

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.

April 13 - Bill & Effie Visser (64th Wedding Anniversary) April 16 - Tina Fennema (96th Birthday)

April 17 - Jerome Vos (48th Birthday) April 19 - John Demik (60th Birthday)

Announcements

Verse of the Month: Our new Verse of the Month for April is from **Colossians 3:1** *"Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God."* There is a bookmark with this on it in today's bulletin, and extra copies at the Bulletin Station.

BIBLE STUDY – Well, sorta. A study of the pages in between the Old Testament and **New Testament**. We'll gather in the Fellowship Hall on Wednesday nights, from 7:30pm to about 8:30pm, from **April 22 through May 13**. Tea will be on – come out for a time of learning, discussion, and fellowship.

Our Annual KFC Dinner will take place on **Friday, April 17th at 5:30 p.m.** There is NO cost to attend this dinner, our deacons sponsor and cover the cost of the meal. A sign up sheet is at the Bulletin Station, so be sure to register to join us! If you require a ride, please indicate that, and we will arrange one for you.

Monthly Euchre Night: will take place on **Friday, April 17th at 7:00 p.m.** following the KFC Dinner. Len & Anita Moelker will be hosting. Please let them know if you will be attending.

Annual Mount Hope Community Clean-up: Takes place this year on **Saturday, April 18th from 10 a.m.—noon.** Please meet at the bus shelter at Airport Road and Homestead for instructions. We hope that you can join us keeping our community clean!

Community Announcements

Ebenezer CRC, Jarvis will be hosting a **Youth Service on Sunday April 12 at 5:30PM.** All are invited and welcome for wings & fries following the service. Hosted by the Schuurmans - 1215 Sandusk Rd.

Flamborough Calvary CRC is hosting a Technology Talk with Brett Ullman. They would love to have you join them, **Tuesday May 12 @ 7:30 p.m.** at their church, for a talk with our youth on technology.

Shalom Invitation: Pastors & Pastoral Caregivers & Children of Elderly: Support Through the Ages April 29th at 7:00 pm – Grimsby Auditorium You are invited to attend an evening exploring conversations that relate to supporting one another through the ages! The topics to be explored will help you navigate change with our aging community, ie., navigating family anxiety and communication styles, honouring our elderly with their experience of change, how to have conversations with family members, including grandchildren and more! Please contact us to register at giving@shalommanor.ca or call 905.945.9631 ext. 1173. Please see your church bulletin board for a poster with more information.

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 or contact Leanne (lwrench@hdch.org, 905-648-6655x104).

Seniors Day - Grandparents and senior members of our community are invited to HDCH's Seniors' Day **Thurs May 7, 9am-12:30pm.** Enjoy the program, visit classrooms, and stay for a hot lunch. To RSVP for the luncheon, visit hdch.org/events/seniors-day or contact Leanne at 905-648-6655 x 104, lwrench@hdch.org by April 29.

Spring Play Performance - HDCH presents, Arsenic and Old Lace **April 30, May 1-2.** Recommended for ages 12 and over. Tickets are \$15 each. Discounted rates are offered for groups of immediate family members. A Super Fan Ticket has a reduced fee for admission to all three performances. Tickets are available at the door and in advance from our box office: hdch.org/events/spring-play-performance

CRC Announcements

ReFrame Ministries

Kids Corner Devotions: Go Outside and Learn About God - Check out this week's kids' devotion, "Go Outside and Learn About God," at www.kidscorner.net. Come explore God's amazing world like Job did and discover how animals, plants, and stars can teach us about how wise and powerful God is! Grab a friend or family member and go on a fun outdoor adventure with snacks, games, and even a backyard campout to thank God and learn more about Him. Check out all the great content at kidscorner.net, like KC's Earth Day collection.

Groundwork: Salvation Through Jesus Christ Alone - As the Christian faith spread, the Apostle Paul often wrote letters to churches he planted to help clarify and solidify his teachings. Join Groundwork as we begin a study of his letter to the church in Galatia by studying Galatians 1. Together, we'll study Paul's teaching about salvation and let it continue to encourage our faith and strengthen our commitment to Christ today. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

Thrive

Thrive Faith Formation Tip - The practice of gratitude, rooted in recognizing and responding to God's constant goodness, moves us to respond fully to God's generosity. Each day this week take some time to write down one thing for which you are grateful. At the end of the week share your list with your family or friends in celebration of God's goodness and provision in your life. For more ways to practice gratitude, see crcna.org/FaithPracticesProject/gratitude. Brought to you by Thrive: crcna.org/Thrive

Calvin Theological Seminary

Paul's Missionary Journeys in Turkey and the Seven Churches of Revelation - October 9-19, 2026, visit ancient sites connected with Paul's First, Second, and Third Missionary Journeys as well as the seven churches to whom John wrote the Book of Revelation. Join Jeff Weima, professor at Calvin Theological Seminary and leading biblical scholar, for this inspirational biblical tour. Contact Dr. Weima at 616-328-3110 or weimje@calvinseminary.edu

The Baptism of Jesus

And a voice from heaven said, "This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased." Matthew 3:17 (NIV)

Based on Matthew 3:13-17



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SPIRIT

Volunteer Schedule

Date	April 12	April 19	April 26
Welcome	Sandi Buwalda	Doug Nagtegaal	Frank Buwalda
Music	Anne te Grotenhuis	Leah Lammers	Linda Geerts
Congregational Prayer			
Open / Close	Shae Knevel	Henk & Rita Van Tuyl	Marlene Knevel
Coffee Duty	Mark & Christina Demik	Eric & Alyssa Tisch	Len & Anita Moelker
Sound	Frank Buwalda	Rebecca Bootsma	Josh Knevel
Streaming	Mark Demik	Jack Demik	Meagan Demik
Overhead	Marlene Knevel	Jack Demik	Louise Dekker
Nursery	Trish Demik Shae Knevel	Kathy Turkstra Sandi Buwalda	Marlene Knevel Anita Moelker

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, April 14

7:00 p.m. - Council Meeting

Wednesday, April 15

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

Thursday, April 16

12:00 noon - Bulletin Announcements due

Friday, April 17

5:30 p.m. - KFC Dinner
7:00 p.m. - Euchre Night (at Moelker's)

Sunday, April 19

10:00 a.m. - Pastor Joel Bootsma
Offering: Budget & Living Rock Ministries
Church Rental - noon- 5 p.m.

SCHEDULED OFFERING COLLECTIONS

April 26 - Budget & GEMS
May 3 - Budget & Hamilton Right to Life
May 10 - Budget & Beginnings
May 17 - Budget & Canadian Cancer Society

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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