

*Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new
creation; the old has gone, the new
has come. 2 Cor. 5:17*



MOUNT HOPE
CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH

MOUNT HOPE COMMUNITY CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH

April 19, 2026 10:00 a.m.

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

(please stand if you are able)

Welcome & Announcements - Verse of the Month - Colossians 3:1 **Doug Nagtegaal**

GATHERING BY GOD'S PRESENCE

* God's Greeting & Opening Prayer

* Call to Worship

* Song of Praise: **LUYH #224 "Rejoice the Lord is King"**

GROUNDING IN GOD'S GRACE

Time of Confession

Song of Confession: **LUYH #628 "Give Us Clean Hands"**

Words of Assurance

Song: **"Behold Our God"**

Children dismissed for Children's Ministry

GROWING IN GOD'S LOVE

Scripture Reading: Matthew 4:12-23

Message: "A New King is Here"

Song of Response: **LUYH #746 "Holy Spirit, Living Breath of God"**

Prayer: Church Family and Community

GOING TO SERVE

Offering: **Budget & Living Rock Ministries**

* Sending

* Benediction

* Closing Song: **LUYH #227 "He is Lord"**

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** will lead us in music ministry. Our offerings are for the **Budget** and **Living Rock 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

Kim Gradwell has lost two aunts recently. She was very involved in their care. We also pray for **Pastor John Postuma** and **Marge**, with the passing away last Sunday of Pastor John's brother Ben. May God be a comfort to both these families 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. **April 19 - John Demik (60th Birthday)** **April 22 - Josh Knevel (28th Birthday)** **April 25 - Coby Lammers (78th Birthday); Henk & Ann DeGroot's 68th Wedding Anniversary**

Announcements

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.

Church Spring Clean Up - Saturday, May 2nd: *Many hands make light work!* There is some clean up and small jobs that need to be done in and around the church building. The COA Committee is hoping that you can help out! On **Saturday, May 2nd**, from **9:30 a.m.—noon**, we plan to have a

Spring Clean Up here at the church. Refreshments will be provided. There is a **Sign-Up Sheet** at the Bulletin station, please let us know if you are able to come on out. If you have questions, please connect with Frank Buwalda. Thank you!

Council Report Apr 14 2026 Meeting:

1. Opened with prayer
2. Joel and Eric continue with the Thrive program process
3. Shalom AGM upcoming discussed attendance
4. Church visitors to be scheduled soon
5. Reports received from all committees and Joel
6. KFC dinner upcoming
7. Unanimous approval for Home School rental of our sanctuary one day a week starting Sept
8. Mount Hope hosting Classis Meeting May 26
9. Closed in prayer

Community Announcements

NORTH OF SIXTY is hosting Bingo and Pizza for **Thursday , April 23** at **10:00**. All are welcome! Cost \$10.00 per person. RSVP to 905-577-5277 or vdwaljjoosse@bell.net.

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.

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

Resonate Global Mission

Healing Hearts, Transforming Nations Workshop - Co-hosted by Resonate Global Mission and the CRC's Indigenous and Intercultural Ministries, this 4-day immersive workshop will engage you in meaningful practices of healing and reconciliation, and equip you to repair and rebuild relationships in your local communities. You will experience: Personal healing and forgiveness, Tools for Intercultural teamwork, Examples of trauma-informed ministry, and Biblical frameworks to care for divided communities. Join us July 6–10, 2026, at the Five Oaks Retreat Centre in Paris, ON. Cost: \$400 (\$500 after May 1st). Learn more and register: tinyurl.com/yj972wxe

ReFrame Ministries

Kids Corner Devotions: Go On a Microadventure - Check out this week's kids' devotion, "Go on a Micro-adventure," at www.kidscorner.net. Big adventures don't have to be far away—exciting discoveries are waiting right outside your door! Grab your family, explore nearby paths and places, and see how much fun a little adventure can be. Check out all the great content at kidscorner.net, like KC's Earth Day collection.

Groundwork: The Cross of Jesus is the Only Way - As Galatians continues, Paul continues to emphasize that the cross of Jesus is the only way to salvation and he confronts Peter's hypocritical behavior. Join our Groundwork conversation as we study Galatians 2 to explore the struggle the apostles faced as the Christian faith spread, and along the way find the courage to embody the truth of salvation in your relationships and daily life. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

Groundwork 15th Anniversary - Groundwork is celebrating its 15th anniversary! For more than 15 years now, this radio show and podcast has been digging into the richness of God's Word as the foundation for our lives. Come celebrate God's faithfulness with us! Register online at reframeministries.org/events

Thrive

Upcoming Webinar: Reimagining Youth Ministry - Join Thrive Faith Formation Consultant Rick Zomer for a webinar and conversation using Andrew Root's book *The End of Youth Ministry?* as a guide. Together, we will consider why churches might be struggling in youth ministry efforts and explore strategies for moving forward in intergenerational discipleship. Register for the May 5th, 4pm EDT webinar here: tinyurl.com/y6m8crje or the May 14th, 7pm EDT webinar here: tinyurl.com/ds2mrdx7 or by emailing thrive@crcna.org

Thrive Faith Formation Tip - As you continue to celebrate Eastertide—50 days of practicing resurrection living—pick one area of your life in which you want to live more fully into resurrection hope. Perhaps it's in how you handle conflict, care for your body, or serve your community. Invite Jesus into that space, recognizing his risen presence. Brought to you by Thrive: crcna.org/Thrive

CRC Communications

Pray for Synod 2026 - Starting May 3, and for 40 days leading up to Synod 2026, pray with CRC members, leaders, and friends for God's presence and guidance for the CRC and this year's synod gathering. Learn more and find prayer resources at network.crcna.org/topic/spiritual-formation/prayer/40-days-prayer-synod-2026, including a link to sign up to receive daily emails throughout the 40 days with prayers written by people from across the denomination.

Matthew 4 - Jesus' Temptation

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| followers | Jerusalem | nazareth | kingdoms | mountain |
| worship | galilee | matthew | prayer | andrew |
| serve | bread | rocks | simon | jesus |
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Volunteer Schedule

| Date | April 19 | April 26 | May 3 |
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| Welcome | Doug Nagtegaal | Frank Buwalda | Anita Moelker |
| Music | Leah Lammers | Linda Geerts | Praise Team |
| Congregational Prayer | | | John Demik |
| Open / Close | Henk & Rita Van Tuyl | Marlene Knevel | Doug & Eileen Nagtegaal |
| Coffee Duty | Eric & Alyssa Tisch | Len & Anita Moelker | Doug & Louise Dekker |
| Sound | Rebecca Bootsma | Josh Knevel | Frank Buwalda |
| Streaming | Jack Demik | Meagan Demik | Rebecca Bootsma |
| Overhead | Jack Demik | Louise Dekker | Rebecca Bootsma |
| Nursery | Kathy Turkstra Sandi Buwalda | Anita Moelker Kristen Roth | Alyssa Tisch Maegan Demik |

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, April 20

6:30 p.m. - GEMS

Tuesday, April 21

7:30 p.m. - COA Meeting

Wednesday, April 22

7:30 p.m.- Bible Study

Thursday, April 23

12:00 noon - Bulletin Announcements due

Sunday, April 26 (Gem's Sunday)

10:00 a.m. - Pastor Joel Bootsma

Offering: Budget & GEMS

SCHEDULED OFFERING COLLECTIONS

May 3 - Budget & Hamilton Right to Life

May 10 - Budget & Beginnings

May 17 - Budget & Canadian Cancer Society

May 24 - Budget & Life Water 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

***see paintings made by Petra Zantingh in Fellowship Hall ***