



Mount Hope Community

Christian Reformed Church

MOUNT HOPE COMMUNITY CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH

July 12, 2026 10:00 a.m.

Pastor: Pastor Joel Bootsma **Musician:** Leah Lammers

Welcome & Announcements - Verse of the Month: Psalm 143:8 **Mark Demik**

GATHERING BY GOD'S PRESENCE

- * God's Greeting
- * Opening Song: **LUYH #529:1,2,3 "Gather Us In"**
- * Opening Prayer
- * Call to Worship
- * Song of Praise: **"Behold our God"**

GROUNDING IN GOD'S GRACE - The Lord's Supper

The Invitation

Song of Preparation: **LUYH #840 "Behold the Lamb" vs 1**

Words of Institution

Prayer

Communion

During the Bread: **LUYH #840 "Behold the Lamb" vs 2**

During the Cup: **vs 3**

After the Cup: **vs 4**

Prayer

Song after Supper: **LUYH #709 "Jesus Loves Me"**

Prayer: Church Family and Community

GROWING IN GOD'S LOVE

Song of Preparation: **LUYH #755:1,3 "Speak, O Lord"**

Scripture Reading: John 9

Sermon: "Learning to See"

Song of Response: **LUYH #859:1,2,3 "Be Thou My Vision"**

GOING TO SERVE

Offering: **Budget and Mission Services**

* Sending

* Benediction

* Closing Song of Praise: **LUYH #482 "Soon and Very Soon"**

Thank you for joining us this morning!

We welcome all who join us this morning. **Pastor Joel Bootsma** will lead us in worship and **Leah Lammers** in music ministry. Our offerings are for the **Budget** and **Mission Services**. 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. We are celebrating the Lord's Supper this morning. All those who are baptized and are truly sorry for their sins, who believe in Jesus, and desire to live an abundant, godly life, ought to accept the invitation to come with gladness to the table of their Lord. 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 finished until September. There are colouring activities for the children at the Sanctuary entrance, and the younger children are welcome to attend the nursery before or during the service.

Church Family

Joan Elzinga passed away on Wednesday, July 8th. We are thankful she is no longer suffering but we mourn and we pray for her family during this great loss. Funeral details will be announced soon. May God be a comfort to the Elzinga, Crans, Boomsma, and Flokstra families during this difficult time. **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.

July 12 - Spencer Tisch (6th Birthday)

July 14 - Parker Roth (1st Birthday); Bill Nagtegaal (97th Birthday)

July 17 - Adam Jay (31st Birthday)

Announcements

Dear Mount Hope Community CRC Deacons and Church Family, Thank you for your generous offering to GEMS. Your June gift of \$265 is more than support—it is an investment in girls' lives and in God's Kingdom. Thank you for believing in this ministry and for helping raise a generation

of girls who know their true identity in Christ. Together, we are passing on the hope of the Gospel to the next generation. With deep gratitude and joy, Jill Postma , Director of Finance , GEMS Global.

Community Bike Donations - For New Hope Community Bikes: We are hosting a used bicycle donation drop off at our church on **Tuesday, July 21 from 2 - 4 p.m.** New Hope Community Bikes restores used bicycles to provide affordable access to those in need. They are experiencing a shortage and could really use some more donations! If you have some old bikes sitting around or know someone else who does, please keep them in mind for this project. We will be advertising this to the Mount Hope Community as well.

Attention Congregation: Due to the program that we use to make our weekly bulletins being discontinued in October, I will be experimenting over the summer months with a new format for the bulletin. It will be a much more simple version. If there is one you like the best, let me know. Otherwise, please be patient as you may see a couple of different styles before I find the one that works best. Thanks, Marlene

Community Announcements

Biblical Study Tour to Italy (April 12-22, 2027): Visit the Vatican with its Sistine Chapel and St. Peter's Cathedral; the impressive monuments of ancient Rome; Hadrian's Villa; Pompeii and Mt. Vesuvius; the spectacular Amalfi Coast; and much more! Join Jeff Weima, professor at Calvin Theological Seminary and leading biblical scholar, for this inspirational tour. Contact Dr. Weima at weimje@calvinseminary.edu or 616-328-3110.

The Ministry to Seafarers will hold its **7th annual Seaway Bike Tour Fundraiser** on Saturday, **September 12, 2026**. Join us **in-person** or **virtually** from your own community. We ride along the Saint-Lawrence seaway to raise awareness about our work serving seafarers 365 days of the year. Our goal is to raise \$25,000 so that we can meet the spiritual, emotional and physical needs of seafarers docking in the port of Montreal. A matching grant of \$8000 means your donations can go further. In 2025 we visited 5100 seafarers on board 1224 ships. We transported 3082 seafarers in our two vans. We served 10,139 seafarers from merchant and cruise ships at the Seafarers' Centre. Visit www.ministrytoseafarers.org/bike-tour for details, to register or to sponsor a rider.

CRC Announcements

ReFrame Ministries

Kids Corner Devotions: Who Taught You About Jesus? - Check out this week's kids' devotion, "Who Taught You About Jesus?" at www.kidscorner.net. Everyone learns about Jesus from someone special—just like Timothy, who heard amazing stories about God from his mom and grandma. Who is someone in your life you can learn from—and what awesome God story will you explore together next? Check out all the great content at kidscorner.net, like Family Practices for Family Collection.

Groundwork: Saul and David: Envy, Conflict, and Broken Shalom - As we follow the ups and downs in the life of Saul, we witness firsthand the conflict and broken shalom that results when the deadly sin of envy grips our hearts. Join our Groundwork conversation as we study 1 Samuel 18-24 to witness God's sovereignty and see how he continues to work in the lives of his people even through difficult and fraught circumstances. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

Thrive

Thrive Faith Formation Tip - In the Northern Hemisphere this time of year is filled with longer days and sunnier weather, allowing many of us to spend more time outdoors. In Psalm 19, David speaks of the many ways creation displays the glory of God and his creative work. Take some intentional time this week to notice something specific in God's creation and to give God thanks for it. Brought to you by Thrive: crcna.org/Thrive

We're Hiring! Ministry Consultant - Chaplaincy - The Ministry Consultant for chaplaincy is responsible for enlisting, endorsing, advocating, training, and supporting the Chaplains of the Christian Reformed Church in North America (CRCNA). This ministry consultant will also participate in the general consulting work of Thrive. This is a full-time, remote position based in Canada or the U.S. Learn more and apply by July 19, 2026, at crcna.pinpointhq.com

World Renew

Volunteer with World Renew Disaster Response Services this fall! - Local communities in Florida are still helping homeowners recover from Hurricanes Helene and Milton. Could you make a difference in their recovery? Consider repairing hurricane-impacted homes with World Renew Disaster Response Services! With on-site leadership, tools, and materials, we're ready for you. Find fall team dates and site locations at worldrenew.org/get-involved/volunteer to sign up or contact us today.

John 9

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give god the praise
 He is a prophet
 sabbath day
 spittle
 siloam
 clay

light of the world
 Lord I believe
 man of God
 washed
 sight
 jews

A man called Jesus
 he is of age
 pharisees
 opened
 blind
 eye

Volunteer Schedule

Date	July 12	July 19	July 26
Welcome	Mark Demik	Doug Dekker	Len Moelker
Music	Leah Lammers	Bruce Vander Molen	Praise Team
Congregational Prayer			
Open / Close	Doug & Eileen Nagtegaal	Frank & Sandi Buwalda	Shae Knevel
Coffee Duty	Neil & Kristen Roth	Clifford & Kathy Turkstra	Alex & Maegan Demik
Sound	Rebecca Bootsma	Frank Buwalda	Josh Knevel
Streaming	Mark Demik	Rebecca Bootsma	Meagan Demik
Projection	Louise Dekker	Rebecca Bootsma	Marlene Knevel
Nursery	Eileen Nagtegaal	Sandi Buwalda	Anita Moelker
	Shae Knevel	Trish Demik	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

Tuesday, July 14 7:00 p.m. - Council Meeting Wednesday, July 15 8:00 a.m. - Men's Breakfast Egg & I - Upper James Location Thursday, July 16 12:00 noon - Bulletin Announcements due Sunday, July 19 10:00 a.m. - Pastor Joel Bootsma Offering: Budget & Benevolence	<u>SCHEDULED OFFERING COLLECTIONS</u> July 26 - Budget & Interval House (Hamilton) August 2 - Budget & Calvin Christian School Hamilton August 9 - Budget & Calvin Christian School - Unity Campus August 16 - Budget & HDCH
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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 ***