Community Announcements

Soup Support for All Things at McMaster

Could you help us offer students a warm meal and a warm welcome? All Things, our Christian Reformed fellowship dinner at McMaster, gathers every Thursday evening, and we're looking for volunteers to provide soup for approximately 25–30 students. Whether you can help once or occasionally throughout the term, your contribution would be warmly appreciated. You're also very welcome to join us for dinner! If bringing the soup yourself doesn't work, Michael would gladly pick it up from your home or church. To offer your help or learn more, please contact Dr. Michael Fallon at fallonm@mcmaster.ca or 289-880-6134. Thank you for helping nourish both our students and our community!

CRC Announcements

ReFrame Ministries

Kids' Corner Devotions: **Keep Things Simple** - Check out this week's kids' devotion, "Keep Things Simple" at www.kidscorner.net. Jesus teaches us that life isn't about collecting a bunch of stuff or being greedy. Just like God takes wonderful care of the birds and flowers, He promises to always look after you, too! Check out the new Kids Corner Devotions app at https://kidscorner.net/app

Groundwork: The Pain and Struggle of Unanswered Prayer - A listener wrote to us about childlessness and asked us to talk more about unanswered prayer. Join our Groundwork conversation as we honor his request and study Galatians 6:2, Isaiah 55:8-9, Hebrews 2:17-18, and Hebrews 4:15 to bring compassion, awareness, and biblical insight to the tender, often painful experiences and unanswered prayers in our lives. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

Resonate Global Mission

Last Day for Early Bird Rates - Early bird rates end tonight for the Moving Forward in Faith Conference (Nov. 13-14). Come for part of the conference or the entire conference! With over 20 dynamic workshops to pick from, plenary sessions and times of worship, this conference will equip you with practical skills and spiritual insights to better serve your local community. Registration details found at: resonateglobalmission.org/moving-forward-2026. (Group rates, a Young Adult Stream, and hotel discounts are also available!) We can't wait to see you there!

Calvin Theological Seminary

Paul's Missionary Journeys in Greece (April 2 - 12, 2027) - Travel by motor coach (6 days) and cruise ship (3 days) to sites connected with Paul's second and third missionary journeys, as well as visit other major sites of biblical, archaeological, and cultural interest. Jeff Weima, professor at Calvin Theological Seminary and leading Pauline scholar, hosts this inspirational tour. For more information, contact Dr. Weima at 616-328-3110 or weimje@calvinseminary.edu

Thrive

Thrive Faith Formation Tip - From Psalm 65:8: "The whole earth is filled with awe at your wonders; where morning dawns, where evening fades, you call forth songs of joy." Make this passage your morning and evening prayer this week. During the day, look for God's "wonders" and point them out to the people you share life with. Brought to you by Thrive: crcna.org/Thrive

October 18, 2026 10:00 a.m.

Pastor: Joel Bootsma **Musician:** Bruce Vander Molen

We welcome all who join us this morning. **Pastor Joel** will lead us in worship. Our offerings are for the **Budget** and **Ontario Christian Gleaners.** 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: **mounthopecommunitycrc.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 in your children before the service. The nursery is located as soon as you enter the Fellowship Hall, on the left.
Sunday School is provided for children aged 3-5, and from grades 1 – 4. They will be dismissed for their classes during the service.

Church Family

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. **There are none this week**.

Thank You: I wanted to thank everyone for the cards, meals, visits and prayers since I had my knee replacement surgery a few weeks ago. It is during times like this when the community of our church family means so much. **Eileen Nagtegaal**

Order of Service

Welcome & Announcements - Verse of the Month: 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18
Len Moelker

GATHERING BY GOD'S PRESENCE
* Gods Greeting & Opening Prayer
* Call to Worship
* Song of Praise: **LUYH #581 "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"**

GROUNDED IN GOD'S GRACE
Time of Confession
Song of Confession: **LUYH #863:1,3,6 "Take My Life and Let it Be"**
Words of Assurance
Song: **LUYH #682 "Before the Throne of God Above"**
Children Dismissed for Children's Ministry
Song: **LUYH #26 "He's Got the Whole World in His Hands"**

GROWING IN GOD'S LOVE
Scripture Reading: Luke 19:1-10
Message: "Seeing Jesus – Zacchaeus"
Song of Response: **LUYH #537 "Open the Eyes of My Heart"**
Prayer: Church Family and Community

GOING TO SERVICE
Offerings: **Budget and Ontario Christian Gleaners**
* Sending
* Benediction
* Closing Song of Praise: **LUYH #482 "Soon and Very Soon"**

Scheduled Offerings

November 1 – Budget & Shalem Mental Health Network
November 8 – Budget & Christians Against Poverty
November 15 – Budget & TBD
November 22 – Budget & Indwell

Upcoming Events
Monday, October 19
6:30 p.m. - GEMS
Wednesday, October 21
7:30 p.m. – COA Meeting
Thursday, October 22
9:30 – noon – Home School
12:00 noon - Bulletin Announcements due
Sunday, October 25
10:00 a.m. – Pastor Joel Bootsma
Offering: Budget & World Renew – World Hunger

Volunteer Schedule

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

Date	October 18	October 25	November 1
Welcome	Len Moelker	Sandi Buwalda	Anita Moelker
Music	Bruce Vander Molen	Marleah Wiersma	Praise Team
Cong Prayer			Len Moelker
Open / Close	D. & E. Nagtegaal	Shae Knevel	Shae Knevel
Coffee Duty	John & Trish Demik	C. & K. Turkstra	Mark & Christina Demik
Sound	Frank Buwalda	Frank Buwalda	Josh Knevel
Streaming	Rebecca Bootsma	Meagan Demik	Rebecca Bootsma
Projection	Rebecca Bootsma	Louise Dekker	Rebecca Bootsma
Nursery	Louise Dekker Kathy Turkstra	Rebecca Bootsma Eileen Nagtegaal	Trish Demik Shae Knevel

Announcements

Euchre Night: Euchre night in October will be on **Friday** the **23rd** at the Moelkers. We will meet at **7:00 p.m.** and play till **9:00.** There is always room for more and everyone is welcome. Please let Anita or Sandi know if you plan to attend so we can do our best to have enough people for every table. We will play again on **Friday, November 20th** and we will skip December and play again in January.

Council Meeting Report – We met on October 13, 2026.
1. Welcome with communal prayer.
2. Continuing discussion on the Thrive meetings
3. Election of executive results:
   - John Demik – Chair
   - Shae Knevel – Vice all
   - Mark Demik – Treasurer
   - Doug Dekker – Clerk
4. District list discussed, list to be presented to congregation shortly
5. Reports received from all Committees
6. Report received from Joel
7. Services over the Christmas time discussed, further details to be shared with membership.
8. Meeting adjourned