Community Announcements

GRACE COMMUNITY CHURCH, Ancaster: We are pleased to invite seniors and friends to the OWLS meeting on Wednesday, Nov.18, 2026. Our guest speaker will be Allan Romkema, well known to many of us as a literary contributor to Christian Courier. Allan will entertain us with readings from his collection, "Stories from Grace Manor." Please join us at 10 am in the Church Café. For more information, contact Mary Guldemond at 289-684-5611 or maryguld@icloud.com.

Hope Canadian Male Choir is excited to present their Christmas concert series 'Oh Come, All Ye Faithful' with 4 concerts December 2-5, 2026. For more information or to purchase tickets, please visit their website www.hopecanadianmalechoir.com . Email hopecanchoir@gmail.com or call/text 226 338 5459.

Hamilton District Christian High (HDCH): If you are considering HDCH for a school year 27-28 student, inquiries and applications are welcome. Come for a visit! Contact Sandra (905-648-6655 x 122, sbaker@hdch.org)

Love God. Love Your Neighbour Appeal. Thank you for making the discipleship of HDCH teens possible with your donations. Give online - hdch.org/giving/ or contact Sandra, sbaker@hdch.org, 905–648-6655 x 122

CRC Announcements

Thrive

Thrive Faith Formation Tip - "Wondering questions" are an excellent way to engage kids (and people of all ages!) with Scripture. For example, after you read the creation story, ask open-ended questions like "I wonder what it looked like when God created the stars?" "I wonder what it would be like if there were no predators in our world?" "I wonder what you would feel like if you were the first person in God's creation?" Take some time to read a favorite Bible passage this week, asking wondering questions to explore the text in a new way. Brought to you by Thrive: crcna.org/Thrive

World Renew Kenya Discovery Tour - Explore the heart of Kenya through an unforgettable journey to engage with both culture and creation from February 26 - March 8, 2027. Connect with World Renew partners working alongside local communities, hear stories of resilience and hope, and experience the beauty of Africa's wildlife through a safari adventure. Learn more and register online: bit.ly/kenya2027info

ReFrame Ministries

Kids Corner Devotions: When Things Go Wrong - Check out this week's kids' devotion, "When Things Go Wrong" at www.kidscorner.net. Have you ever made a big mistake? Have you ever said mean things to yourself? Sometimes we try our hardest, but things still don't turn out the way we want. Colossians 3:12 reminds us of how much God loves us. As his children, God calls us to be gentle, kind, humble, meek, and patient. And that's not just toward other people. It's also toward ourselves. Check out the new Kids Corner Devotions app at https://kidscorner.net/app

November 8, 2026 10:00 a.m.

Pastor: Dr. Syd Hielema **Musician:** Olivia Guillaume

We welcome all who join us this morning and especially to **Dr. Syd Hielema** who will preach for us while Pastor Joel is on vacation**.** Our offerings are for the **Budget** and **Christians Against Poverty.** 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.**
We pray for our missionary **Karen Lubbers Odel**. She sustained a bad fall this week and broke her leg. She is now in a cast and not mobile. Moses is away for now so that makes things rather difficult for her.

Pastor Joel Away: A reminder that Pastor Joel will be away on vacation until **November 22nd.** If you have a pastoral need during this time, it's best to connect with your district elder.

Order of Service

Welcome & Announcements - Verse of the Month: 2 Timothy 1:7 **Shae Knevel**

GATHERING BY GOD'S PRESENCE
* God's Greeting & Opening Prayer
* Call to Worship
* Song of Praise: **LUYH #529:1,2,4 "Gather Us In"**

GROUNDED IN GOD'S GRACE
Time of Confession
Song of Confession: **"He Will Hold Me Fast"**
Words of Assurance
Song: **LUYH #693 "Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)"**
Children Dismissed for Children's Ministry
Prayer: Church Family and Community **John Demik**

GROWING IN GOD'S LOVE
Scripture Reading: Revelation 5
Message: "Priests of the Lamb"
Song of Response: **LUYH #356 "Fill Thou My Life, O Lord My God"**
Personal Testimony

GOING TO SERVICE
Offerings: **Budget and Christians Against Poverty**
* Sending
* Benediction
* Closing Song of Praise: **LUYH #947 "We Receive Your Blessing"**
* Sing **"O Canada"**

Scheduled Offerings

November 22 – Budget & Indwell
November 29 – Budget & Canadian Mental Health Association (Hamilton Branch)
December 6 – Budget & Christmas Hampers
December 13 – Budget & N2N (Hamilton)

Upcoming Events
Tuesday, November 10
7:00 p.m. – Council Meeting
Wednesday, November 11
Remembrance Day
Thursday, November 12
12:00 noon - Bulletin Announcements due
12:30-3:00 p.m. – Home School
Sunday, November 15
10:00 a.m. – Rev. Siebert Van Houten
Offering: Budget & Diaconal Ministries

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	November 8	November 15	November 22
Welcome	Shae Knevel	Doug Nagtegaal	Doug Dekker
Music	Olivia Guillaume	Bruce Vander Molen	Walt Haveman
Cong Prayer	John Demik	Henk Van Tuyl	Mark Demik
Open / Close	Henk & Rita Van Tuyl	Marlene Knevel	Doug & Eileen Nagtegaal
Coffee Duty	Neil & Kristen Roth	Alex & Maegan Demik	Doug & Louise Dekker
Sound	Rebecca Bootsma	Frank Buwalda	Josh Knevel
Streaming	Mark Demik	Jack Demik	Meagan Huinink
Projection	Marlene Knevel	Jack Demik	Louise Dekker
Nursery	Sandi Buwalda Kristen Roth	Anita Moelker Maegan Demik	Marlene Knevel Eileen Nagtegaal
Sunday School	Eric Tisch	Eric Tisch	Eric Tisch

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Hamilton Classis Meeting Report: For those who did not receive a copy of this report via email, there are some printed copies by the bulletins if you would like one.

Mark your Calendars: Advance notice of some events going on here at Mt. Hope Community CRC during the upcoming Christmas Season. Please mark your calendars!
Sunday, November 22 - 3:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. - Annual Mount Hope Christmas Tree Lighting - some volunteers are needed to help the CST with setting up and service Hot Chocolate and Coffee at this festive event.
Friday, December 11 - 7:00 p.m. - 3rd Annual Christmas Concert/Variety Event
We will need volunteers to help bake for this event, as well as musicians! If you are interested in performing please speak to Mark Demik or Marlene Knevel. This event has really become something we look forward to every year and is very well attended by our Mt. Hope Community.
Monday, December 14 - 6:30 p.m. – GEMS Annual Mother/Daughter Christmas Craft/Dessert Social
Thursday, December 24th - 6:00 p.m. - Christmas Eve Candlelight Service
Friday, December 25th - 10:00 a.m. - Christmas Day Service

Euchre Night: Our next euchre night will be Friday, November 20 from 7:00 till 9:00 p.m. at Frank and Sandi's house. Please let Anita, Len or Sandi know if you plan to attend so we can make sure we have four players at each table. Everyone is welcome! (We will not meet in December but you can mark your calendar for the 22nd for the euchre night in January.)