



HOPE ^{IN} CHRIST
CHURCH

A Christian Reformed Church

Glorifying God by Knowing,
Living and Proclaiming
our Hope in Christ

TODAY'S MESSAGE

The Covenant of Redemption

Ephesians 1:4, 2 Timothy 1:9, Psalm 2:5-9

Pastor Scott Roberts

JULY 24, 2022

WELCOME!

Welcome to Hope in Christ Church. We are so glad you have joined us today!
May God bless you as you worship with us.



Order of Worship

Only A Holy God

Call to Worship 2 Corinthians 5:17-21

What a Beautiful Name

You Alone Can Rescue

There is a Redeemer

Contemporary Testimony:

Our World Belongs to God (Preamble)

Sovereign

Prayer

Scripture

Ephesians 1:4, 2 Timothy 1:9, Psalm 2:5-9

Message

The Covenant of Redemption

O Lord My Rock and My Redeemer

Benediction

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Church Potluck: Save the date for the church potluck on Saturday, August 6 at Birch Bay State Park. Arrive around 3, and dinner will be at 5:30. Check upcoming bulletins for menu information.

New Members Class: Pastor Scott will be leading a class for anyone interested in membership on August 7, 14, 21, 28 from 11 a.m. until noon. Please contact the office if you will be attending so that materials will be ready for everyone.

Church Directory Update: From 11am-1pm on the Sundays in July, we will be updating the photos and information on file for a new church directory! Please be ready with numbers, addresses, emails, and people to include in family photos, and go to Pastor Ethan's office to have your photo taken.

Crafting with Friends: Mixed media, painting techniques (watercolor and acrylic), prayer journal, paper-crafting, jewelry, fun fold cards, and more at HCC on August 3 & 4, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Call or email Darlys Recker to register.

PRAYERS

Each week we pray for members of our church family. Suggested prayers are for their spiritual growth, opportunities to see Christ in their everyday lives, and anything else that God puts on your mind for them.

This week please pray for:

Jay & Avis K

Don K

Michael, Connie, Heidi K

Marilyn K

SERVANTS FOR SUNDAY, JULY 31ST

Greeters: Gina, Joe P

E-Street Taxi: Tanya

Prayer Room: Ida

Cookies: Faye, Ruth

The suggested donation for the offering this morning is the General Fund.

COUNCIL MEMBERS AND DISTRICTS

District - Last name A to C

Elder: Lou Kooistra (360-820-2548)
Deacon: Barb Zylstra (360-312-9695)

District - Last name N to R

Elder: Mark Ruiter (360-398-0101)
Deacon: Mike Button (360-739-5435)

District - Last name D to G

Elder: Jerry Hop (360-734-9510)
Deacon: Doug Konn (360-224-1254)

District - Last name S to Z

Elder: Don Recker (360-393-4179)
Deacon: Rachel Carlson (509-899-3963)

District - Last name J to M

Elder: Brian Koning (360-927-6407)
Deacon: Dan Obbink (360-738-4718)

District - Council Members

Pastor Scott Roberts (360-733-6177)

Council President: Lou Kooistra (360-820-2548)

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TEAM LEADERS

Education Director:

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Friendship:

Tanya Obbink (360-393-5171)

Custodian:

Don Recker (509-949-7441)

Safe Church Coordinator:

Don Recker (360-393-4179)

Worship:

Jerry Hop (360-734-9510)

Women's Ministry Liaison:

Evelyn Kooistra (360-224-2663)

GEMS:

Darlys Recker (360-393-4179)

Health Minister:

Alice Brakke (360-671-2155)

Church Office Hours

- Mon.: Closed
- Tues., Wed., Thurs.:
10 a.m. - 3 p.m.
- Friday: 1 p.m. - 3 p.m.

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The Covenant of Redemption

Ephesians 1:4, 2 Timothy 1:9, Psalm 2:5-9

- I. What was God doing before the creation of the world?
 - a. Augustine's answer (Rev 21:8)
 - b. Westminster Confession of Faith 8.1
 - c. The Covenant of Redemption, i.e. *pactum salutis*.

- II. Is there Scriptural Support for this idea (*Pactum Salutis*)?
 - a. Ephesians 1:4 & John 17:1-2, 6
 - b. 2Tim. 1:8-10 & Acts 2:23

- III. Why is it called the Covenant of Redemption?
 - a. Louis Berkhof describes the covenant of redemption ([*Systematic Theology*, 271](#)).
 - b. What is a covenant?
 - c. Who are the parties of this covenant (Lk 22:28-30)

- d. What was the agreement made in the covenant (Ps 2:5-9)
- e. What does redemption imply?

IV. Why does any of this matter? (Wilhelmus à Brakel's *Christians Reasonable Service*, p261-265)

- a. Firstly – Redemption wasn't an afterthought, a plan B. (Eph 1:10, Rev 13:8, Rom 8:30)
- b. Secondly – It guarantees that your salvation is secure (Eph 2:8, Ps 115:1)
- c. Thirdly – It reveals the unconditional Love of God (Jer 31:3, 1 John 4:19).

V. Conclusion

Further Resources:

<https://www.thegospelcoalition.org/blogs/kevin-deyoung/theological-primer-pactum-salutis/>

<https://journal.rts.edu/article/the-covenant-of-redemption/>

<https://biblicalspirituality.files.wordpress.com/2010/03/reasonableservicevol1-indexed.pdf>