



HOPE ^{IN} CHRIST
CHURCH

A Christian Reformed Church

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

TODAY'S MESSAGE

God's Abundance

Mark 4:35-41

APRIL 23, 2023

GEMIS GIRLS CLUB **SUNDAY**

Guest Pastor Aaron Walters
Senior Pastor Scott Roberts
Associate Pastor Ethan Rogers

Order of Worship

Come People of the Risen King

Call to Worship Mission Statement

Only A Holy God

You Alone Can Rescue

He Will Hold Me Fast

G.E.M.S. Presentation

Prayer

Sermon God's Abundance
Mark 4:35-41

The Lord is My Salvation

Benediction

It Is Well (When Peace Like a River)



Today's Offering

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

The G.E.M.S will be collecting an offering today also.

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.

God is Moving Mountains

On Resurrection Sunday, 9 April, police raided the Baptist church in Qarshi, the capital of Uzbekistan's southern Qashqadaryo Region. Then they used batons and electric shock prods to incapacitate worshippers. Ten believers were taken to the police station and detained until 3pm. Under President Shavkat Mirziyoyev, Uzbekistan is undergoing transformative reforms, yet remains fearful of full religious freedom. The Religion Law bans unregistered gatherings and churches belonging to the Baptist Council of Churches refuse to register on principle. Qarshi's unregistered Baptists had invited German Baptist musicians to participate with them in public Gospel presentations at 15 localities over Easter. Unfortunately, the religion law also bans 'missionary activity and proselytism' and 'activities which offend the religious feelings of believers', i.e., Christians witnessing to Muslims and Christians delivering public Gospel presentations. ***Please pray the Lord will raise up Christian leaders across ethnic and denominational lines – both inside Uzbekistan and internationally – who can articulate the Christian message to Uzbek authorities and make the case for religious liberty.***

For more information, contact Rebekah Roberts at
Rebekah@ChristianResponse.org

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:

Anne	Darryl & Gloria
Dan G	Jerry & Faye
	Junior

Announcements

Elder/Deacon Nominations: The following members are being presented by Council as candidates for Elder: Michael Boer, David Richards, and Ken Wick; and for Deacon: Hildred Abee, Jolene Skovron, and Philip Bergman.

During the congregational meeting on April 30, a vote will be taken to accept or reject the names presented by council. On May 14, we will draw lots and the Holy Spirit will select our next Elders and Deacons. We give thanks to Brian Koning for his service as Elder, and to Dan Obbink and Barb Zylstra for their service as Deacons.

Family Promise Meals: Our next opportunity to provide meals for Family Promise will be on Sunday May 22. The families pick the meals; you provide the ingredients and bring them to church on May 22. If you are interested in helping, please contact Lorraine. Thank you!

Congratulations to Pastor Scott! Pastor Scott has recently completed all of the requirements for a Master of Theology degree (ThM). The Roberts family is hosting an open house to celebrate his graduation and would love for you to come. Everyone is welcome to join the celebration! Contact the office for more details.

World Renew in the News: Thursday's *Ferndale Record* carried a front page headline "World Renew Flood Rebuild Team Comes to Whatcom." World Renew is a diaconal ministry of our denomination. Disaster Relief Services (DRS) teams go in to assist clean-up and rebuilding in the name of Christ and his people after disasters such as fire, hurricane, flood, tornado, etc. Several Hope in Christ members have served on DRS teams in different areas of the country. If you'd like to read the article, a copy is on a small table in the foyer.

Servants for Sunday, April 30th

Greeters: Ida & David **E-Street Taxi:** Alice

Prayer Room: Ken **Cookies:** Avis, Marilyn, Evelyn

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

Deacon Chair: Dan Obbink (360-738-4718)

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 D to G

Elder: Jerry Hop (360-734-9510)

Deacon: Doug Konn (360-224-1254)

District - Last name J to M

Elder: Brian Koning (360-927-6407)

Deacon: Dan Obbink (360-738-4718)

District - Last name N to R

Elder: Mark Ruiter (360-398-0101)

Deacon: Mike Button (360-739-5435)

District - Last name S to Z

Elder: Don Recker (360-393-4179)

Deacon: Rachel Carlson (509-899-3963)

District - Council Members

Pastor Scott Roberts (360-733-6177)

Team Leaders

Education Director: Pastor Ethan Rogers (360) 733-6177
ethan@hopeinchristchurch.org

Custodian: Don Recker (509-949-7441)

Worship: Jerry Hop (360-734-9510)

GEMS: Darlys Recker (360-393-4179)

Friendship: Tanya Obbink (360-393-5171)

Safe Church Coordinator: Don Recker (360-393-4179)

Health Minister: Alice Brakke (360-671-2155)

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Mon.: Closed
Tues., Wed., Fri.: 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Thursday: noon - 3 p.m.



BULLETIN DEADLINE

All bulletin items are due on Thursdays at noon.



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