



HOPE ^{IN} CHRIST
CHURCH

A Christian Reformed Church

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

TODAY'S MESSAGE

The Wastefulness of Worldly Pursuits

James 1:9-18

JULY 2, 2023

Senior Pastor Scott Roberts
Associate Pastor Ethan Rogers

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

Opening Song

Call to Worship

Songs of Praise

Prayer

Scripture James 1:9-18

Reader: Joy Rogers

Message The Wastefulness of Worldly Pursuits

Communion

Songs of Response

Benediction

Closing Song

The Lord's Supper, which we celebrate today, is a way for the Christian to remember the sacrifice of Christ. If you have not yet believed in Christ as Savior, we invite you to watch and learn. We are glad you are here! If you have questions about Jesus, please see Pastor Ethan after the worship service.

The bread we use is allergen free and contains no wheat, dairy, nuts or soy. However, it may contain egg.



Today's Offering

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

God is Moving Mountains

On 15 April conflict erupted in Khartoum between the Sudan Armed Forces (SAF) and its former partner, the Rapid Support Forces (RSF). Fighting quickly spread to Darfur, where genocide is currently underway (with Arab militias killing black Africans), and North Kordofan, where the capital, El Obeid is now besieged – its Cathedral hit by rockets. In recent weeks the conflict also spread to South Kordofan, where the Sudan People's Liberation Movement/Army-North (Hilu faction: which represents the interests of the predominantly Christian Nuba tribes) is fighting both RSF and SAF forces. On 12 June bombs fell on the Nuba Mountains for the first time since 2016. Hundreds of thousands of war-weary Christians in the jihad-ravaged Nuba Mountains – many of them genocide survivors – are again facing the spectre of war, famine and death. ***Please pray.***

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:

Michael, Jennifer, Nathan, Evan Alice
Steven Del & Pat Helen

Servants for Sunday, July 9th

E-Street Taxi: Doug S **Prayer Room:** David **Greeters:** Tanya

The Wastefulness of Worldly Pursuits

Outline

I. The True Worth of Wealth

II. Endurance Against and Origin of Temptation

III. Everything Good and Perfect Comes From God

James 1:9-18

July 2, 2023

Questions for Thought

1. In what way does a poor believer have a high position? In what ways are the rich humiliated? How does this connect to his discussion on trials-think of this in light of verses 1:1-8.

2. How does it help us to know that we ourselves are full of evil desires in our battle against temptation?

3. In light of verses 16-18, why do you think that a person who overcomes temptation is referred to as a person who loves God? (vs. 12)

Announcements

CHURCH REMODELING HELP NEEDED: The sanctuary will be painted between July 10-15. To that end there are a number of things that need to be done to prepare for the freshening up of the room. Sign-up sheets are in the foyer on the shelf by the bulletins. Please add your name if there is a time that you are available to help.

ONLINE INTERVIEWS WITH CALVIN PROFS: The January Series at Calvin University is offering a set of three pre-recorded interviews with professors in July. To access the online-only talks, visit the January Series Facebook and calendar pages just before 9 a.m. (Pacific time). On July 12, Jennifer Holberg (English) will talk about her upcoming book, "Nourishing Narratives," with college chaplain Mary Hulst. On July 19, Kevin Timpe (philosophy) will be interviewed by Nicholas Wolterstorff on the philosophy of disabilities. On July 26, Matt Heun (engineering) and Kate van Liere (history), recent winners of the Presidential Award for Exemplary Teaching at Calvin, will be interviewed by professor Karen Supe.

NEW THRIFT STORE MINISTRY STARTING: Summit Thrift Store is planning to open in August with profits going to Envision Ministries to disciple the homeless of Whatcom County. You can help Pastor Mitchell Senti and the Envision team open more Summit Discipleship Houses by donating items at 410 First St., Unit 5, Lynden. You can also volunteer by calling Diane at (360) 961-6407. For more information, visit summitthriftstore.org and envisionthesummit.org

VOLUNTEER WITH JESUS TAXI: Whatcom County Love INC (In the Name of Christ) is offering mini-missions trips in the form of the Jesus Taxi. The servant ministry brings together those in need with volunteers who are "taxied" to neighborhoods to pray, offer a helping hand, and love those who need it. To get a tour of the Jesus Taxi building at 1215 Commercial St., Bellingham, or for more information about this and other Love INC programs, call (360) 671-6201, e-mail oskar@whatcomloveinc.org, or visit www.whatcomloveinc.org

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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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