



HOPE ^{IN} CHRIST
CHURCH

A Christian Reformed Church

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

TODAY'S MESSAGE

End Time Living

1 Peter 4:7-11

FEBRUARY 18, 2024

Guest Pastor Don Recker
Pastor Scott Roberts

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

Lord's Prayer (It's Yours)

Rejoice

Psalm 27

The Lord is My Salvation

As The Deer

Congregational Prayer

Sermon *End Time Living - Ezekiel 33:10b, 1 Peter 4:7-11*

May the Mind of Christ My Savior

Benediction

Build Your Kingdom Here

Today's Offering

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

God is Moving Mountains

Pastor's Forced Out

There were 15 Christian leaders and pastors arrested inside Iran from our network last year. Nine of these pastors were released not long after their arrest and interrogation, while six remained imprisoned. Two of the six were released in subsequent months after each of them had to come up with the equivalent of \$100,000 bond payment to secure their release. Both of those individuals essentially had to turn over the deeds to their house in order to satisfy the payment, and now they are being forced out of the country by authorities. If they stay in Iran, authorities have assured them they will face a lengthy prison term. The remaining four still in prison are all converts from Islam to Christianity and have been very active and bold in their Christian faith. They have recently been informed that they will spend the next 5-10 years of their life in prison.

Prayer Points

- 1) Pray the pastors who are being forced to leave Iran will find countries that will welcome them in and help them settle into their new home.
- 2) Pray the boldness of the Iranian believers will not waver with their pastors having to leave the country.
- 3) Pray the Iranian government will have their eyes blinded to the work of Christians in Iran so they can continue to minister without government interference.

For more information, contact Rebekah Hurty
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Servants for Sunday, February 25th

Greeters: Clair & Hildred **E-Street Taxi:** Ida
Scripture Reader: Reid **Prayer Room:** Ida
Cookies: Alice, Rachel, Gloria

Announcements

Tena Crosby on March 9 from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. Do you want to be more effective in sharing your faith with others? We believe that the four communication muscles each contribute an essential part when we share the wonder of Jesus with people. We need to recognize the kinds of questions people are asking in order to share the message of hope in a way that connects with those who are hearing. Come and join us on Saturday, March 9 to learn how each muscle contributes to an effective gospel witness. Lunch will be provided. Childcare is available for children under 12; older children may attend with their parents. Online registration may be found by scanning this QR code.



Dordt Choir Coming To Lynden: The Dordt University Concert Choir from Sioux Center, Iowa, invites you to a concert on Wednesday, March 6 at 7:00 PM at the Third Christian Reformed Church in Lynden. This free concert is part of a spring tour with performances scheduled in Montana, Washington, British Columbia, Idaho, and South Dakota. Directed by Dr. Ryan Smit, the Dordt University Concert Choir will perform a wide variety of music including hymn arrangements; spirituals; songs from other cultures; standards of the choral repertoire by Sweelinck and Hassler; and newer modern works by Shawn Kirchner, Jake Runestad, Dan Forrest, Elaine Hagenberg, Kim André Arnesen, Patrick Vu, and others. The concert is free, with a freewill offering received to help defray tour expenses.

Friendship Fellowship is in need of a new mentor to help finish off this year, and possibly continue on with us into the next year(s). We meet on the 2nd and 4th Monday of each month from 7-8:30ish each night. If you're interested, or know of someone who is, please contact Tanya Obbink. A female mentor would be preferred.

Attention Women! The upcoming Women's Seminar scheduled for March 2nd at Hope In Christ Church is being postponed. If you have questions please talk with Hildred or Katie.

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SERMON NOTES

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