

A Christian Reformed Church

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

TODAY'S MESSAGE

Shamgar and an Oxgoad

Judges 3:31

AUGUST 17, 2025

Pastor Scott Roberts

Welcome!

Welcome to Hope in Christ Church. We are so glad you have joined us today!



Order of Worship

Opening Song

Welcome

Call to Worship

Songs of Praise

Prayer

Judges 3:31

Sermon: Shamgar and an Oxgoad

Song of Response

Benediction

Closing Song



Today's Offering is for the Outreach Fund. There is a collection basket next to the sound booth.





God is Moving Mountains

ICR partners in Southeast Asia have found opportunities in the natural rhythms of life. People are willing to attend the funerals and birthday parties of Christians, even if they aren't believers.

Minh* came to know Christ at the funeral of a Christian acquaintance. He was a lifelong alcoholic but, during the funeral service, a pastor shared a Bible verse that touched Minh's heart. Afterward, he spoke to the pastor, who explained the gospel to him and promised God could free him from his addiction. Minh gave his heart to Christ right then, and he hasn't had any alcohol since.

In the next two weeks, Minh won his whole family to Christ. They became a ten-person house church, meeting together each week. Minh plans to attend an ICR-sponsored training for Christian leaders that will teach him more about the Christian faith and help him lead this new church well.

How to Pray:

- 1. Praise God for the ways he is drawing people to himself in countries where become a Christian is greatly frowned upon.
- 2. Pray for God to raise up good leaders for the new churches so his truth is preserved and shared clearly.
 - 3. Pray for protection for new believers.

For More Information Visit:

https://christianresponse.org/news/birthday-parties-and-funerals/

Sermon Outline

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Announcements

SUNDAY SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS: A binder with the sign-up sheet for teaching Sunday School is on the credenza. Please take a moment to indicate which dates you'd like to spend with our youth, sharing God's word with them.

HOME/ROOM NEEDED: A gal from Bellevue, who was recently accepted into a program at WCC, is moving to Bellingham and is in search of a place to live. She would like to live in a Christian community and would enjoy renting a place with another Christian young adult or renting a room with a family. Contact Hanna if you know of any opportunities. She will be in Bellingham from Mid-September thru August 2026.

BACKGROUND CHECK / SAFE CHURCH: All those who are on council, or are helping with Sunday School, GEMS, and/or Friendship will need to sign a release for the annual background check to be completed and sign a statement of agreement to our Safe Church Policy. Copies of these forms can be found on the counter in the church office and attached to the Friday announcement email. Please hand in completed forms to Tanya.

OUT OF OFFICE: Tanya will be out of the office from August 13-20. **SUNDAY SCHOOL**: Sunday School will begin on September 7 at 11am.

Hospitality for Sunday, August 24, 2025

Set up: Needed Serve: Needed

Clean-up: David

Servants for Sunday, August 24, 2025

Greeters: Jay, Avis Scripture Reader: David
Foyer Monitor: Jack Prayer Room: Needed

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