



HOPE ^{IN} CHRIST
CHURCH

A Christian Reformed Church

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

TODAY'S MESSAGE

Unholy Worship Part 2: Dan Takes a Levite

Judges 18

FEBRUARY 08, 2026

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

Almighty

Welcome

Call to Worship: Proverbs 3:3-6

Great is Thy Faithfulness

He will Hold Me Fast

Litany: Hebrews 11 & 12, excerpts

By Faith

Not What My Hands Have Done

Prayer

Judges 18, Reader - Don

Sermon: Unholy Worship Part 2: Dan Takes a Levite

Ancient of Days

Benediction

Holy Forever

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

God is Moving Mountains

In southwestern Asia, leaving Islam can be a death sentence. Converts are not simply killed—their homes may be burned, and if an entire family has converted, all may be executed. Because of this, Christians live quietly and cautiously.

Surveillance has increased dramatically, forcing believers to learn new ways to protect themselves. Many now read the Bible from hidden SD cards or carefully concealed paper copies. Economic pressure is severe: one income often supports twelve or more people, and finding work is extremely difficult.

Despite this, believers endure. Many choose apartment buildings over houses for safety. Families are large, marriages are delayed, and women face heavy restrictions. Yet amid fear and control, Christians stand out—marked by hope, dignity, and quiet courage.

How to Pray:

1. Pray for God to provide for the needs of his people enduring persecution, and for his presence to be felt.
2. Praise God for the Christians who are enduring persecution as their hope, dignity and quiet courage points others to God.
3. Pray for God to soften the hearts of people in SW Asia and draw them into a loving relationship with Himself.

For More Information Visit:

<https://christianresponse.org/news/snapshot-southwestern-asia/>

Hospitality for Sunday, February 15, 2025

Provide: Avis

Set up: Needed

Serve: Needed

Clean up: Avis

Servants for Sunday, February 15, 2025

Greeters: Chidubem

Scripture Reader: Chidubem

Foyer Monitor: Joe

Prayer Room: Needed

Sermon Outline
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I. Tribe of Dan (Judg 18:1a, 21:25)

A. Lack of trust (Judg 18:1b, Num 26:43, Judg 1:34, Josh 19:47, Dt 27-28, Prov 3:5-6)

B. Lack of faithfulness and obedience (Judg 18:9-10)

1. They are willing to abandon their assigned portion

2. The men they send return with an eager report and they struggle to get folks to go

C. Looking to make their own way

D. Choosing God or idols

1. Levite's interesting response (Judg 18:4, Jer 29:26, Heb 5:1, 8:3)

2. "Under the eye of the Lord" (Gen 6:8, 1Ki 15:5, Ps 33:18, Prov 5:21, Amos 9:8)

3. A detour at Micah's house (Judg 18:14)

E. Kill the innocent and unsuspecting (Judg 18:27, 30)

II. False worship/idolatry can easily trip us up

A. Ways we lack trust, faithfulness and obedience

B. Ways we try to make false religion look good

C. Ways we entice one another to sin

III. We need a King to rule us

A. What a king would do

1. Restrain our madness

2. Enforce his law

3. Punish evildoers

4. Change our heart

B. Christ is king!

Announcements

OVERTCOME STRUGGLES WITH BIBLICAL COURSE: Finding yourself overwhelmed? Barely keeping your head above water? When you stop are you irritable, can't sleep at night? Wondering why you keep doing the thing you told yourself you would stop doing? Maybe you see unhealthy or even addictive behavior in a loved one. Maybe you want to help folks who are coming out of such behavior too. Take three hours of your **Saturday, 9am-12pm, on March 14 at Bethel Christian Reformed Church in Lynden** and come to a training called "Introduction to The Genesis Process" that is used to overcome these struggles with Biblical and brain researched tools. The training will be led by Aaron Speyer who has over 20 years of experience working with those who struggle. This stuff is life changing, so don't miss it. Coffee/snacks included. Any questions e-mail info@envisionmission.org

FLOOD RELIEF & WORD RENEW: The Whatcom Long Term Recovery Group (LTRG) has entered the reconstruction phase of recovery from the December 2025 flood. Disaster Response Services of World Renew is supporting efforts with one-week volunteer groups, furniture for volunteer housing, and more. Local volunteers can follow the LTRG on Facebook or contact them directly (whatcomltrg@gmail.com) for upcoming work days. We encourage local volunteers to get involved however possible for you!

SINGLES FELLOWSHIP NIGHT: Join the other singles in our church, and invites friends, for the next Single's Fellowship Night! The fun will be on Sunday, February 15 at 3:30pm in our church. Food, games, socialize!

FREE INCOME TAX PREPARATION: IRS certified volunteers will prepare most tax returns for free at First Congregational Church (2401 Cornwall Ave). First come first served. Monday—Wednesday from 2pm—6pm. Saturdays from 1pm—5pm. Call 360-474-7066 for the latest information on possible schedule changes. See flyer on the credenza.

PRAYER PARTNERS: If you're both present, take time after the service to connect with your prayer partner while enjoying some coffee or juice and cookies together.

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS: From March 15—May 17 there are no people signed up to teach Sunday School to our youth. Is this an opportunity God may be calling you to?

Council Members and Districts

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Elder Chairperson: David Richards (360-961-0459)

Deacon Chairperson: Jenn Boer (360-820-6164)

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CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Mon - Thurs: 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

BULLETIN DEADLINE

All bulletin items are due on Wednesdays at noon.

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