



HOPE ^{IN} CHRIST
CHURCH

A Christian Reformed Church

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

TODAY'S MESSAGE

I Believe

Mark 9:14-27

MARCH 22, 2026

Guest Pastor Don Recker

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

God is here

Welcome

Call to Worship

The Church's One Foundation

By Faith

Confession and Assurance

Speak O Lord

Prayer

Mark 9:14-27, Reader - Philip

Apostles Creed

Sermon: I Believe

Lead On, O King Eternal, vs 1 & 2

Benediction

Lead On, O King Eternal, vs 3



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

God is Moving Mountains

In 2021 Myanmar (Burma) went through a political coup. While political change has been frequently discussed, only superficial change has occurred, and the military still controls the country.

Most Christians are from the Chin and Karen tribal groups. Relatively few of Myanmar's Burman ethnic majority have come to faith. Most Burman tribal members are Buddhist.

The people groups who identify as Christian are oppressed by the government, in cooperation with Buddhist monks. The widespread, long-running civil war directly affects Christians when they are targeted for attack by the warring factions. Local officials and tribal militias also persecute Christians as well as families and villagers who practice animism. Villagers with animistic beliefs take vengeance on Christians, claiming they are angering the local spirits. Church gatherings and church buildings are allowed in many parts of the country, but tolerance varies from state to state. Active believers who share their faith face difficulties. Within tribal groups, families oppose conversion, and new believers are subject to close government monitoring.

Buddhist monks have actively opposed new Christian converts and evangelists. Some pastors have been arrested and detained for a few days at a time.

Despite widespread persecution, Myanmar has many Bible schools, even though most are illegal, and indigenous church planters and missionaries boldly proclaim the gospel. Churches are growing.

How to Pray:

1. Pray for God to encourage and give renewed courage to pastors who have been arrested for proclaiming the gospel.
2. Pray that churches, orphanages and other ministries will remain open despite government restrictions and crackdowns.
3. Pray for God to guide and direct Burmese Christians as they minister amid a complicated civil war.

For More Information Visit:

[https://www.persecution.com/globalprayerguide/myanmar%20\(burma\)/?_source_code=WP26GPG2](https://www.persecution.com/globalprayerguide/myanmar%20(burma)/?_source_code=WP26GPG2)

Sermon Outline

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Announcements

SERVICE TIME CHANGE: For the sake of folks who may want to invite others to our church over the next few months, the council has decided to move our morning service to 10:00 a.m.. The service will be 1 hour long, ending at 11:00 a.m. and the Sunday School hour, called Deep Dive, will be 25 minutes long. We will have time to enjoy refreshments and visiting with others between the service and Deep Dive. This *new schedule will begin on April 12th*, the Sunday after Easter. We're excited to see who God may bring into our midst! Please be praying and thinking about who you may want to invite.

CAMPUS SPRING CLEAN UP: Mark your calendar! Our annual campus clean-up date is *March 28 at 8am*. Hospitality will serve coffee and snacks at 10am. Come when you can. Leave when you must. If possible, please bring shovels, rakes, wheelbarrows, weeding & trimming tools/buckets, etc.

VISIT BIBLICAL SITES IN TURKEY: Visit ancient sites in Turkey on *Oct. 9-19* connected with Paul's First, Second, and Third missionary journeys as well as the seven churches to whom John wrote the Book of Revelation. Jeff Weima, professor at Calvin Theological Seminary and leading Pauline scholar, hosts this inspirational tour. To sign up or for more information, contact Weima at weimje@calvinseminary.edu.

RESONATE'S GLOBAL MISSION'S SPRING CAMPAIGN: Resonate, the CRC's church-planting assistance program, has been blessed to receive an offer from generous donors to match ALL contributions received between now and April 30th! In the memo of your check, write "Resonate - Where Most Needed." And on Easter Sunday, our offering is for Resonate, to go where most needed.

Hospitality for Sunday, March 29, 2026

Provide: Needed	Set-up: Needed
Serve: Needed	Clean-up: Needed

Servants for Sunday, March 29, 2026

Greeters: Needed	Scripture Reader: Needed
Foyer Monitor: Clair	Prayer Room: Needed

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