



HOPE ^{IN} CHRIST
CHURCH

A Christian Reformed Church

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

TODAY'S MESSAGE

The Breakup with Humanity

Genesis 3:22-24

APRIL 12, 2026

Pastor Mitchell Senti

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

How Majestic is Your Name

Welcome

Call to Worship

How Deep the Father's Love for Us

Change My Heart, O God

Prayer

Genesis 3:22-24, Reader - Chidubem

Sermon: The Breakup with Humanity

Lord, I Need You

Benediction

Grace Greater Than All Our Sins

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

God is Moving Mountains

In Mali, Bintu continued to serve despite enduring persecution. She visited poor villages, sharing about Jesus and helping those in need. Having once lived on the streets because of her faith, she carries deep compassion for women living on the margins.

Pregnant women in these villages often could not afford prenatal care. Without examinations, complications went unnoticed—and mothers or babies frequently died in childbirth. Bintu helped them reach doctors and prayed for them and their children.

Traditionally, babies were consecrated to Allah on the eighth day after birth. Many said this custom could never change. But the women Bintu helped began asking a different question:

“Why should I consecrate my child to Allah when a Christian woman helped me and prayed for me?”

They asked Bintu to bless their babies, instead.

Early in the mornings, Bintu goes to them and blesses the babies in the name of Jesus. By the time the celebrations begin, she has long since disappeared. But the guests notice that there was no imam in the house and that no animal was sacrificed. This leads to great astonishment—but also to great discontent. Christians like Bintu live in constant fear of persecution—and yet they courageously follow Jesus.

Today, these believers also live with constant risk. And still, they continue to follow Jesus—step by step, act by act, love by love.

How to Pray:

1. Pray for protection and strength for believers who face persecution from their own families.
2. Pray for wisdom and courage as Christians live out Jesus' command to love their enemies.
3. Pray for open hearts among those who witness Christ's love through acts of compassion.

For More Information Visit:

<https://christianresponse.org/news/how-you-can-pray-for-christians-in-mali/>

Sermon Outline

Genesis 3:22-24

The Breakup with Humanity

1. The break up

2. The result?

3. What's the solution? The gospel

Announcements

PRAYER OPPORTUNITIES: Come and join others for a time of prayer: Sun @ 9:15am in foyer upstairs, Tues @ 12:15-12:45 on Zoom, Fri @ 7am in admin bldg., Fri @ 3pm—5pm in sanctuary. Come when you can, leave when you must. Let's worship and seek our great God together!

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. 801210"

PRAYER PARTNERS: If you're both present, take time after the service to connect with your prayer partner while enjoying a snack together.

CRAFTING WITH DARLYS: Darlys is hosting 'Crafting with Friends' on Saturday, April 18 from 8am—10pm in our foyer. Turn your fun crafting ideas into reality while having fun with others. Or ask Darlys for a card kit. Skip crafting and just enjoy chitchatting, snacks, coffee/tea, and/or a baked potato dinner. BYO Lunch. Come and go as needed.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: The high school and middle school classes will meet together today, upstairs where the high school class typically meets.

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 exactly 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 begins today*. We're excited to see who God may bring into our midst! Please be praying and thinking about who you may want to invite.

Hospitality for Sunday, April 19, 2026

Provide: Needed

Set-up: Needed

Serve: Needed

Clean-up: Needed

Servants for Sunday, April 19, 2026

Greeters: Chidubem

Scripture Reader: Damon

Foyer Monitor: Jay

Prayer Room: Needed

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