



HOPE ^{IN} CHRIST
CHURCH

A Christian Reformed Church

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

TODAY'S MESSAGE

How Can We Trust the Bible?

2 Peter 1:16-21

MAY 10, 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 we worship together.



Order of Worship

Ancient Words

Welcome

Call to Worship

How Firm a Foundation

Teach Me, O Lord, Your Way of Truth

Litany

If You But Trust in God to Guide You

Prayer

2 Peter 1:16-21, Chidubem

Sermon: How Can We Trust the Bible?

O Word of God Incarnate

Benediction

My Friends May You Grow in Grace



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



God is Moving Mountains

Most people in the Philippines are Christian, but the island of Mindanao includes areas with a significant Muslim majority and where Islamic extremism has a strong influence. In Mindanao, where Muslim-majority communities dominate the western and southern regions of the island, Islamist groups and the government have engaged in a long-standing conflict over the Islamists' desire to form an independent Muslim state. Groups such as Abu Sayyaf and Maute have pledged allegiance to the self-proclaimed Islamic State (ISIS) to gain financial help and recruit foreign fighters. Islamic extremists and communist rebels routinely threaten Christians and have driven many out of Muslim-majority areas. Many pastors and other believers have been killed. The attacks on Christians are sporadic and unpredictable, creating an environment of constant tension for Christians.

Government forces usually respond when conflicts occur, but Christians' rights are not protected in areas where the government has ceded control to Islamists. Churches are legal, and graduates of Bible schools in the Mindanao region boldly share the gospel in Muslim communities. A significant number of Christians remain in these areas as a bold witness for Christ.

How to Pray:

1. Lord, we pray that the Islamists in the Philippines would repent of their sins, turn to God, be baptized in Jesus' name, and be forgiven of their sins.
2. Lord, we pray that you would go before those sharing the gospel in Muslim majority communities, preparing hearts and minds to hear and accept you as their Savior.
3. Father, we pray for your comfort for families whose loved ones have been martyred for you name sake. Please provide for them.

For More Information Visit:

https://www.persecution.com/globalprayerguide/philippines/?_source_code=WP26GPG2

Sermon Outline

How Can We Trust the Bible?

2 Peter 1:16-21

1. Not cleverly invented myths

2. Eye witness accounts

3. Inspired by the Holy Spirit

Announcements

ELDER/DEACON NOMINATIONS: The following members were presented by Council and approved by vote as candidates for Elder: Brian Koning and Lou Kooistra; and for Deacon: Rockelle Ruiter and Chidubem Uchefuna. **Today we will draw lots** and the Holy Spirit will select our next Elders and Deacons. We give thanks to Mark Ruiter for his service as Elder, and to Barb Zylstra and Philip Bergman for their service as Deacons.

PRAY FOR SYNOD 2026: Starting May 3, and for 40 days leading up to Synod 2026, please pray with CRC members, leaders, and friends for God’s presence and guidance for the CRC and this year’s synod gathering. Learn more and find prayer resources at network.crcna.org/topic/spiritual-formation/prayer/40-days-prayer-synod-2026, including a link to sign up to receive daily e-mails throughout the 40 days with prayers written by people from across the denomination.

BCHS THEATER PRODUCTION: Come support Evan, Brenna and the rest of the crew at BCHS as they perform “Little Women: The Musical.” This event will take place in the Cordata Presbyterian Church gym (400 Meadowbrook Ct.) on May 14, 15, 21 & 22 at 7:00—9:30pm. General admission tickets are \$10 and can be purchased at: <https://www.zeffy.com/en-US/ticketing/little-women-the-musical-2>

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, May 16 from 8am—10pm. Come join her in the foyer. Turn fun crafting ideas into reality while enjoying time with others. Or skip the crafting and just enjoy time chitchatting and refreshments.

Hospitality for Sunday, May 17, 2026

Provide: Tena

Set-up: Needed

Serve: Tena

Clean-up: Tena

Servants for Sunday, May 17, 2026

Greeters: Tena

Scripture Reader: Needed

Foyer Monitor: Doug

Prayer Room: Needed

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