



HOPE ^{IN} CHRIST
CHURCH

A Christian Reformed Church

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

TODAY'S MESSAGE

Dew and Manna

Exodus 16:1-8, 12-21; Numbers 11:7-9

JULY 5, 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 we worship together.



Order of Worship

10,000 Reasons

Welcome

Call to Worship

Great is Thy Faithfulness

Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Prayer

Exodus 16:1-8, 12-21; Numbers 11:7-9

Text: Numbers 11:9

Sermon: Dew and Manna

Communion

His Glory and My Good

His Mercy is More

Benediction

Doxology



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

Sermon Outline

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Dew and Manna

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"When the dew fell upon the camp in the night, the manna fell with it."
Exodus 11:9

1. Dew & Manna: Our response, "natural and spiritual", God's mercies
2. Dew & manna: Universally fall, closely associated, and regularly fall
3. Dew & manna: Raw gifts to refine
4. Dew & manna: Pointing us to Jesus (Hos 14:5, Jn 6:48-51)



God is Moving Mountains

Eritrea is one of the world's most repressive states for Christians. The government recognizes only four religious groups, excluding most evangelical and Pentecostal communities, which are treated as illegal. Christians outside state-sanctioned churches face intense surveillance, violent raids, and indefinite imprisonment—often in shipping containers or underground cells, with no trial, medical care, or basic rights.

Converts from Islam or the Eritrean Orthodox Church risk familial rejection and social exclusion in addition to state persecution. The militarized nature of society compounds repression. Indefinite national service, akin to forced labor, offers no exemption for conscience, and Christians who worship while serving are punished severely. As youth flee the country in large numbers, traditional escape routes have become perilous. Conflict in Sudan, lawlessness in Libya, and deteriorating ties with Ethiopia have closed off regional exits. Eritrea's alleged role in the Sudanese war further jeopardizes refugees. Christians face a devastating dilemma: endure persecution and forced conscription at home, or flee through routes marked by trafficking, torture and danger.

How to Pray:

1. Lord, we pray that believers who are imprisoned would keep their hope alive in you and that they'd be set free.
2. Lord, we pray you would protect and provide for the daily needs of Christians who are arrested or detained for their faith.
3. Lord, we pray for you to soften the heart of Eritrea's dictator so he would turn away from oppression and towards the love of Jesus.

For More Information Visit:

<https://www.opendoorsus.org/en-US/persecution/countries/eritrea/>

Announcements

DEEP DIVE TODAY: You're invited to stay after our worship service for a 'Deep Dive' as Pastor Don Recker leads a conversation, with those present, on the sermon topic.

PRAYER GARDEN: Have you taken a walk to the grassy area behind the portables? There's a little prayer garden: trees, bench and cross. A peacefully setting to spend time with our Lord. Check it out. Linger. Share time with your Father.

BABY GIFT BOXES: Ezinne and Mattea are both expecting a baby in July. Would you like to join in their excitement and shower them with a blessing? A box for each family will be on the table by the sound booth through *Sunday, July 12*. Items that fit through the slit in the lid can be placed in each box: a prayer card of welcome, note of blessing, gift card, cash or a check. Please write checks directly to the family, not to HCC (Chidubem and Ezinne Uchefuna, Peter and Mattea Fast).

MEET THE SOUTHARDS: Pastor Will's "candidacy sermon" will be on *July 19*. Also on *July 19*, you're invited to spend time getting to know Pastor Will, and his wife Sophia, at our church picnic.

BIRCH BAY PICNIC & MEET N' GREET: *Sunday, July 19 from 2pm—dusk* at Birch Bay State Park is our annual church picnic! Brats, buns and condiments will be provided. Bring a salad or dessert to share. Also bring friends, lawn chairs, your own beverages and appetite. *Do you have a grill that can be used? Please let the deacons know.*

SUPPORT PAINTING OF LC MIDDLE SCHOOL: This summer, Lynden Christian is refreshing the exterior of its middle school, a building that has faithfully served students and the community for 32 years. Opportunities to support the project include sponsoring 1 gallon of paint for \$50, a 5-gallon bucket for \$150, or helping paint a wall for \$250. To support the project, visit the website www.lyncs.org/paint.

Hospitality for Sunday, July 12, 2026

Set-up: Ida **Serve:** Ida **Clean-up:** Ida, Chidubem

Servants for Sunday, July 12, 2026

Greeters: Tena **Scripture Reader:** Chidubem
Foyer Monitor: Doug K **Prayer Room:** Needed

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