

**Agenda for Sunday, April 13, 2008**

**Greeters:**

**AM:** Dennis Meo & Charlene Breukelman

**PM:** Andy & Teda Heerema

**Coffee Servers**

Irwin Bolt

Brad & Patty Wood

**Nursery: Morning**

**Infants:** Marlene Cronk

Carmen Boggs

**Toddlers:** Don Cronk

Trevor Boggs

Nathan Boggs

**Nursery: Afternoon**

**Infants/Toddlers:** Teda Heerema

Chelsea Cahais

**Audio** **AM:** Ken Paulusma

**PM:** Andy Heerema

**Video** **AM:** Paul DeOude

**PM:** Randy Carmichael

**Sunday School**

**3 & 4:** Colleen Heerema, Rachel Heerema,  
Ryan Vanderwees

**SK & Gr 1:** Jessica DeBruin, Jennifer  
DeBruin, Henriët DeBruin

**Gr 2 & 3:** Erin Voortman, Maxwell  
Janssens, Hunter Janssens

**Gr 4:** Emily Bolt, Greg Huitsing

**Offering: SERVE Thunder Bay**

**Agenda for Sunday, April 20, 2008**

**Greeters:**

**AM:** Peter Miedema

**PM:** Frans & Linda Heerema

**Coffee Servers**

Wayne & Sonya Cahais

Ty & Sue Williams

**Nursery: Morning**

**Infants:** Henriët DeBruin

Chelsea Cahais

**Toddlers:** Arjen DeBruin

Dylan Cronk

Riley Cronk

**Nursery: Afternoon**

**Infants/Toddlers:** Andy Heerema

Jessica DeBruin

**Audio** **AM:** Dave Wieringa

**PM:** John Miedema

**Video** **AM:**

**PM:** Aly Miedema

**Sunday School**

**3 & 4:** Colleen Heerema, Rachel Heerema,  
Ryan Vanderwees

**SK & Gr 1:** Jessica DeBruin, Jennifer  
DeBruin, Henriët DeBruin

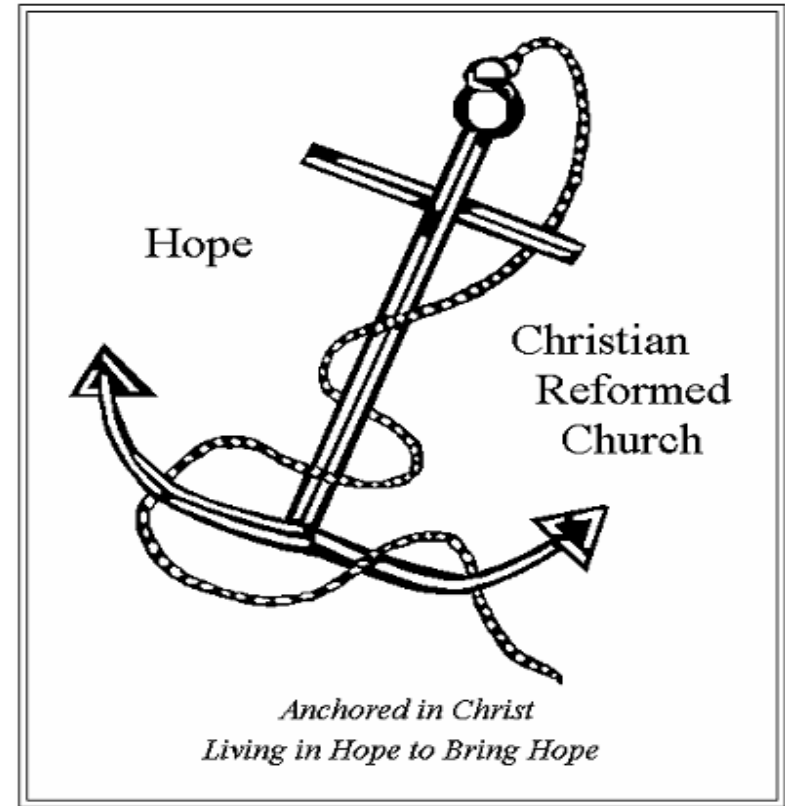
**Gr 2 & 3:** Erin Voortman, Maxwell  
Janssens, Hunter Janssens

**Gr 4:** Emily Bolt, Greg Huitsing

**Offering: CRWRC Embrace Aids**

**Weekly Agenda**

- Monday 14<sup>th</sup> - 7:00 PM Prayer Group
- 7:30 PM Friendship
- Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> - 7:00 PM Catechism (Grades 9-12)
- Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> - 7:00 PM Gems & Cadets



**Sunday, April 13, 2008**

**Worship Services: 10:00 a.m. & 2:30 p.m.**

Please join us for coffee following the morning service

Library open after morning service, located on 2<sup>nd</sup> floor

**Sunday School during the morning service** (age 3 – grade 4)

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To listen to sermons visit our website and click on "sermons"

Welcome to Hope Church. We're glad you're here. We hope you will meet God and make some friends as well.

Information for visitors: restrooms are just to the right as you exit the sanctuary. Nurseries are to the right, through the double doors, left up the stairs, past the Sunday School rooms at the end of the hall. Coffee is served in the foyer after the service. You are invited to stay and fellowship with us. During the service the children (age 3 – grade 4) will be dismissed for Sunday School. You are encouraged to accompany them to their classrooms and pick them up after the service.

In preparation for the election of elders and deacons at the congregational meeting on April 22, Pastor Bob will reflect this morning on various scriptures as they pertain to those offices.

This afternoon, Pastor Bob will continue the series on the Heidelberg Catechism and prayer: the third request of the Lord's Prayer – Your Will Be Done.

**Hope Church Family:** Gary Ogilvie remains in hospital testing for a variety of issues and awaiting hip replacement surgery. Council has received Carla Armstrong's membership transfer from Emo CRC, and we are pleased to welcome her into the fellowship of Hope Church.

**From the Deacons:** Next week Sunday is CRWRC Embrace Aids Day. **Embrace AIDS.** HIV/AIDS was identified and named in 1982. Since then, it has spread at alarming rates around the world. Today, AIDS is impacting millions of people in thousands of communities – many of whom were already struggling with poverty. It is time that the Christian community embrace those living with this disease and take it on as a cause that we are willing to do something about. **Embrace AIDS.** In many developing countries, AIDS is now the number one factor hindering food production, income earning, education, and community growth. Moreover, as income-earners pass away and health and funeral costs rise, many family members are forced to make difficult decisions that may put them at risk for contracting AIDS. The church has a long tradition of reaching out to those in need; it is time that we also embrace AIDS as a significant component of this ministry. **Embrace AIDS.** Today, millions of people have been orphaned by AIDS. Thousands more have been widowed by this disease. Today, grandparents are raising grandchildren, and kids are forced to be breadwinners. It is time for Christians to embrace these individuals and be examples of Christ's love to them.

**God's Love Embraces People With AIDS. Will You?**

**TEEN CLUBBERS** please have all Mom's Pantry orders handed in to Cathy Blekkenhorst **TODAY.** Thank you to everyone who participated and helped us out--a little bit here and there can add up to a lot. Thanks for all your support.

**HUSBANDS AND WIVES** – restore communication – rekindle romance – renew commitment. Join millions of couples worldwide who have learned how to keep their marriage vibrant and alive. The next Reformed Marriage Encounter weekend is **May 2-4, 2008** at the Airport Inn & Suites in **London.** Completely private weekend – **NO** group discussion. For more information or to register on-line, go to [www.reformedme.org](http://www.reformedme.org) or contact Chris & Cindy Otten at 519-393-5163 or by email at [Ontario\\_registration@reformedme.org](mailto:Ontario_registration@reformedme.org).

**Spring Sing:** Last year we enjoyed a great evening of remembering our past through song. Many have asked for a repeat event so let's do it again! On Mother's Day, May 11, we'll have a singing Sunday evening at Hope CRC. Starting today, you'll see a bright orange box in your church lobby with the word "Songs" written on it. Same as last year please write down the name of your favourite song and if possible why it's your favourite. Please sign your name to the suggestion if you wish; the suggestions will form the program for the evening. Do you have a favourite Sunday school song? Dutch gezang? Hymn only found in older hymn books? Let us hear from you! It would be great to have organizers from all the churches so please considering getting involved – this includes musicians, etc. Please call Jenny Mol @ 475-6995 to get involved or to get more information.

Lakehead Choral Group presents their spring concert, "All the World's a Stage" on Wed. April 30th at 8 pm at St. Agnes Church, corner of Mary and Brown Streets. Come out and enjoy favourite songs from Gilbert & Sullivan, Rodgers & Hammerstein and Andrew Lloyd Webber, among others. Tickets are \$10, available from Dominion Motors, Rollason Flowers, Hull's Family Bookstore and all Choral Group members. Tickets \$12 at the door. For more info, please call 577-8805.

### Youth Zone

**Spring Rally** plans are in the works!

Date: **May 16-19**

Place: **Sunny Cove Camp, Fort Frances**

**Teens in grades 9 - 12 (1yr post-high are welcome to attend)**

Theme for Weekend: **THE EMPIRE VS THE WORLD**

Keep watching the bulletin for more details.

Make plans to **attend!**

**Cadet Cub Car Race:** on April 24th. Weigh in is at 6:30 PM at Hope Church; race to start shortly after. There is a \$2 entry fee for new cars only. For a car contact Dennis Meo at 623-9189.

**Gems Reminder:** Mark your calendars that April 27<sup>th</sup> is Gems Sunday.

### **Council Mini Minutes of April 8, 2008**

1. Chairman Fred Cramer welcomes all present and asked for additional agenda items. Pastor Bob led opening devotions by reading from John 17: 20-26. He then led in prayer.
2. Roll Call: Absent with notification: Dave Richardson and Kris Tuuttila.
3. Council minutes of March 25, 2008 were presented and approved. Matters arising were dealt with.
4. Minutes of the Executive Meeting of April 1, 2008 were presented for information.
5. The Council had set a goal to visit 100% of the congregation, and have fallen short of that goal. Council discussed reasons for this and encourages one another and also the congregation members to accept home visits.
6. Nomination of officers: It was decided to run with a short list as several members have turned down their name for the list, and time is becoming a factor.
7. Presentation of updated and revised "Marriage Guidelines". A discussion was held and a committee formed to redraft the document.
8. Begin round table summation of the afternoon worship.
9. Correspondence: Membership transfer from Carla May and Aaron Armstrong of Emo Church.  
Jan & Darlene VanEe – Mission Memo – see Care and Share.  
CRHM "In Community" small group and Evangelism Conference July 18-20, Lombard, IL  
Advertise local Summer Bible Camps at Dorion, etc., see bulletin board.  
Prayer workshop on May 6 – 7, 2008 approved. See Sonia Cahais for more information.
10. Pastor's Report: Pastor Bob reported on visits made. The marriage request of Carly Hughes and Tom Pugliese for July 26, 2008 was approved.
11. Deacon's Report: Approximate shortage - \$23,000. They presented financial report for 2007 for presentation to congregation.
12. Committee Reports: All the committees are asked to prepare reports for the Congregational Meeting.
13. General Matters: Agenda was prepared for the congregational meeting. A ballot committee was appointed.
14. Theresa Henny closed the meeting in prayer.

A Teen Club and Young Peoples Leaders meeting will be held at First Church on Thursday, April 17 at 7:30pm. Please come ready to discuss details concerning the upcoming Rally.

### **Church Community News, Events & Activities**

**Bethlehem Church Family:** Klazien and Heero celebrated their 55<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary two days ago.

**URC Family:** Mrs. Gerda Vandenbroeke came home from Toronto on Thursday. We are grateful that the biopsy went well and pray that an effective course of treatment may ensue. Happy 80<sup>th</sup> birthday to Mrs. Elizabeth Zandstra who celebrated her birthday on this past Thursday, April 10<sup>th</sup>. Once again, we extend our condolences to Mr. & Mrs. Johan & Johanna Bakker with the death of her sister, Mrs. Jen Schutte, in Holland, a week ago, Wednesday.

### **TBCS NEWS:**

**CHRISTIAN EDUCATION WEEK** is scheduled for April 27 - May 3.

-Open House - Friday, May 2 in the morning (coffee at 10:00 a.m.)

-Grand Friends Day - Friday, May 2 program starting at 1:00 p.m.

**ATTENTION GOLFERS AND FUN SEEKERS:** Advance notice that the "6<sup>th</sup> Annual Golf Tournament" will be held June 7, 2008 at the Thunder Bay Country Club. It's time to mark it on your calendar and get your team together.

The Thunder Bay Christian Community Centre is in need of plastic grocery bags. Please put them in the food donation box at church or drop off at the Centre.

**Thunder Bay SERVE 2008:** The primary purpose of SERVE is to bring glory to God by our youth growing in their relationship with Jesus. The service work that the participants do while on SERVE supports the second element of the Youth Unlimited mission: to transform the world for Him. Pray for our local youth as they travel from Thunder Bay to various locations this summer and for the large group that will come to Thunder Bay the week of July 5-12. The theme "Right the Wrong" based on Isaiah 1:17 will focus on caring for the needs of others around us and how to deal with social injustices. Check our blog site at <http://tbayserve.blogspot.com>.

A follower of Islam was on a quest. Like many Muslims, he had questions about Christianity. Doubts, dreams, the nudging of the Holy Spirit – these things prompt Muslims to explore. This "explorer" urged a fellow Muslim to ask his Christian friend for a Bible. The fellow Muslim replied, "How can I do that? If people find out I have a friend who wants a Bible, they will burn you and the Bible!" The Muslim "explorer" pleaded, "I just want someone to answer, 'Who is Jesus?'" Please pray for the Holy Spirit's leading for these explorers. To help provide Bibles for these seekers, please call The Bible League of Canada at 1-800-363-9673 or go to [www.bibleleague.ca](http://www.bibleleague.ca).

Participants:

Accompanist: Jenny Mol

Liturgy and Preaching: Pastor Bob Vance

All Worshipers

### **MESSAGE OUTLINE – April 13, 2008**

Scripture – Various

Message – *“Officebearers in the Church”*

Aim – that listeners will better understand the concept of leadership in the church,  
chose their leaders wisely, and submit themselves to the work of God in them.

Introduction

1. Officebearers in the church
  - A. What they are:
  
  - B. What they are responsible for:
  
  - C. How they should discharge their duties.
  
2. Elders
  - A. Responsible for:
  
  - B. Areas they work in:
  
  - C. Qualifications:
  
3. Deacons
  - A. Responsible for:
  
  - B. Areas they work in:
  
  - C. Qualifications:

Conclusion

## ***Hope Christian Reformed Church of Thunder Bay***

April 13, 2008 – Morning Worship

Welcome to Sunday worship at Hope Church.

### **The Lord Draws Us to Himself**

Prelude

Welcome & Call to Worship

\*Song: “As the Deer”

“Step By Step” (SNC 17)

\*God’s Greeting and We Greet One Another

\*Response: “Shout to the Lord” (SNC 223)

### **The Lord Renews Us In His Grace**

In Case We’ve Lost Our Way

A Reminder of Who We Are in Christ

Song: “Come to the Saviour Now” (PH 535:1, 3, 4)

A Word of Encouragement

### **God Speaks Into Our Lives**

Children’s Message

\*Song: “Jesus, with Your Church Abide” (PH 508:1, 2, 4, 5)

(Children age 3 – grade 4 are dismissed for Sunday School)

Scripture Reading:

Prayer for Understanding

Message: *“Officebearers in the Church”*

Prayer for Transformation

### **The Lord Invites Our Thanksgiving and Prayers**

Offering: SERVE (Thunder Bay site)

Offertory Prayer

Pastoral Prayer

### **The Lord Sends Us to Love the People of the World**

\*Song: “The Church’s One Foundation” (PH 502:1, 2, 4)

\*Benediction

\*Doxology: “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow” (PH 638)

Postlude

\* You are invited to stand

Hope Christian Reformed Church  
April 13, 2008 – Afternoon Worship (2:30 PM)

**We Gather Unto the Lord**

Prelude

Welcome and Call to Worship

\*Song: “We Bring the Sacrifice of Praise” (SNC 12)

\*God’s Greeting & Greeting One Another

\*Song: “Have Thine Own Way, Lord” (PH 287:1, 3, 4)

“Take My Life and Let It Be” (PH 288:1, 5, 6)

**We Make Our Profession**

\*Heidelberg Catechism LD 49 Q&A 124

Pastoral Prayer

(concluded by the Lord’s Prayer in unison)

Offering: SERVE (Thunder Bay site)

Offertory Prayer

**We Hear God’s Word**

\*Song: “Dwell in Me, O Blessed Spirit” (PH 427:1, 2)

Scripture: various

Prayer for Understanding

Message: “Prayer – What To Ask For: Your Will Be Done”

Prayer for Transformation

**We Leave in Hope to Bring Hope to the World**

\*Song: “When We Walk with the Lord” (PH 548:1-3)

\*God’s Blessing

\*Doxology: “He Is Lord” (PH 633)

Postlude

\* You are invited to stand

**Participants:**

Accompanist: Bram Vanden Broeke

Liturgy & Preaching: Pastor Bob Vance

All Worshipers

**MESSAGE OUTLINE – April 13, 2008**

Scripture – various

Message – “Prayer – What To Ask For: Your Will Be Done”

Aim - that listeners will develop a healthy understanding of obedience to God

Introduction

1. Help us and all people (Luke 12:35-48)

Christians are more accountable than others.

2. to reject our own wills (Mt. 7:21; Lk. 22:42; Ps. 37:4; Ezekiel 36:26, 27)

God will help us want what He wants.

3. and to obey your will without any back talk. (Lk. 22:42; Rom. 12:1)

We may voice our opinions/fears to Him, but in the end, we must decide to obey.

4. Your will alone is good. (Ps. 143:8; Rom. 12:2; Mk. 10:17-18; Eph. 3:20)

Disciples of Jesus need to trust that what He wills is good, better than we could hope for.

5. Help us one and all to carry out the work we are called to, (I Cor. 7:17-24; Jn. 21:22)

Disciples of Jesus are called to specific things and are responsible only for those things.

6. as willingly and faithfully as the angels in heaven. (Ps. 103:20-21; Jn. 5:19; 14:31)

The angels and Jesus obeyed the Father perfectly. We can only give it our best shot. There will be improvement, and forgiveness along the way.

Conclusion

What is one thing God has been calling you to that you have not been responding to, but will now commit to do?