

**Denominational Announcements**

- Thank you for your Christmas Gift! - In 2012, your Christmas Day gift to CRWRC is making a real difference among those who live daily with poverty, disease, and oppression. CRWRC can bring help and hope to people in need around the world because you gave. Thank you for generously sharing God's great work of love in the world through your tithes and offerings last week. Happy New Year!
- A New Year - Join in praying that this year – 2012 – may be a year of abundant harvest. Use the book mark - available today – as we respond to “Jesus’ Prayer Request” to “ask the Lord of the Harvest to send forth workers.” A joint effort of Home and World Missions.

*A New Year's Prayer*

May God make your year a happy one!  
 Not by shielding you from all sorrows and pain,  
 But by strengthening you to bear it, as it comes;  
 Not by making your path easy,  
 But by making you sturdy to travel any path;  
 Not by taking hardships from you,  
 But by taking fear from your heart;  
 Not by granting you unbroken sunshine,  
 But by keeping your face bright, even in the shadows;  
 Not by making your life always pleasant,  
 But by showing you when people and their causes need you most,  
 and by making you anxious to be there to help.  
 God's love, peace, hope and joy to you for the year ahead.

-Anonymous



**HOPE CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH**

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*“Anchored in Christ”*

*“Living in Hope to Bring Hope”*

**Sunday January 1, 2012**

**Happy New Year**

**10:00 AM Worship Service**

**WELCOME** to Hope Church. We are glad you are here.  
 The restrooms are 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, library and office at the end of the hall.  
 The Library is open every Sunday after the service.  
*Please join us for refreshments after the service and visit for a while.*

**Weekly Agenda**

Sun 1st	Mon 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Tues 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Wed 4 <sup>th</sup>	Thurs 5 <sup>th</sup>	Fri 6 <sup>th</sup>	Sat 7 <sup>th</sup>	Sun 8 <sup>th</sup>
Happy New Year!			Prayer Ministry 7 pm				
			Gems & Cadets Swimming				

**Serving Sunday, January 1, 2012**

Greeters	Coffee	Nursery	Audio	Sunday School		
Glen & Carol	Cees & Hannelies	<u>Infants:</u> Teda	Micheal	3 & 4 year	SK/Gr 1	Gr 2/3/4
	James & Inez	<u>Toddlers</u> Carl Bridget	Visual Kathleen	No Sunday School		

**Offering Sunday, January 1, 2012: Benevolence**

**Serving Sunday, January 8, 2012**

Greeters	Coffee	Nursery	Audio	Sunday School		
Martin & Theresa	Justin & Stephanie	<u>Infants:</u> Cathy	Bill	3 & 4 year	SK/Gr 1	Gr 2/3/4
	Paul & Erin	<u>Toddlers</u> John Dawson	Visual Jenny	Tiffany Rebecca	Kim Dominique	Jody

**Offering Sunday, January 8, 2012: Hope Christian Reformed Church**

## Hope Church News

**Hope Church Family:** Our congratulations and best wishes go to Samara and Keith who were united in marriage Wednesday December 21st.

**Happy Birthday** to you! The following people will be celebrating birthdays this week: Ann (today), Seamus (today), Sonya, Adam and Andrew. Wishing each of you a very blessed year.

**ALL GEMS AND CADETS** are invited to go swimming at the Canada Games Complex Wednesday January 4, 2012 from 1 pm-4 pm. The cost will be \$3.25(mention that you are with 1st Church group) for kids age 14 and under. THUNDERSLIDE will be open which costs \$2.00 extra per person. Come out have some fun, meet up with your friends and get some exercise!! Any questions phone Gertrude.

**Seniors Luncheon, January 2012 will be served Thursday, January 22 at Hope Church.**

**The position of Music Director at Hope Church is available.** A job description is on the table in the foyer. Please contact Worship Committee if more information is needed.

## Church Community News

- Happy birthday to Ann, who will be celebrating her day this week Wednesday. We pray for a blessed day for you Ann.
- Because of pain, Herman is mostly bedridden. This week he has an appointment in order to see if the pain can be made more manageable. Continuing prayer from the congregation is requested for him and Alice.
- Pray as well for Art and Ann, Fred and Jane, and other Bethlehem CRC members struggling with emotional and/or physical illnesses.
- Annette is recovering from surgery to her foot.
- Remember in prayer and perhaps a card or visit, all who face various struggles with health and mobility in our church (URC): Anne, Johanna, Charlotte, Jan & Henny, Evert & Sien; and that they might also experience the community of the saints. The same for our special needs members: Joshua, Dale, Ashley and Laura.
- **Thank you note:** We would like to thank our congregation for their warm welcome and help settling in. We are looking forward to getting to know all of you better and growing together in the grace and knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. Iwan & Justine (interim pastor at URC)

*"Another year is dawning; dear Father let it be,  
In working or in waiting, another year with Thee."*

## Hope Christian Reformed Church of Thunder Bay New Year's Day

January 1, 2012

Prelude

Welcome

\*Opening Songs: "Sing a New Song Unto the Lord"  
(SNC)  
"There is a Redeemer"  
(PH)

\*God's Greeting and We Greet One Another

\*Song: "And Can it Be" (PH 267)

Scripture Reading: Isaiah 52:7-10

Song: "Our God Reigns" (PH 195)

Pastoral Prayer

Offering: Benevolence

Offertory Prayer

A Look Back at 2011 (Irene)

Song: "Love Divine, All Love Excelling" (PH 568)

Scripture Reading: Ephesians 5: 15-17

Prayer for Understanding

Message: "Now is the Hour"

\*Song of Praise: "My Jesus I Love You" (PH 557)

\*Doxology: "Great is the Lord" (SNC)

Postlude

\* You are invited to stand

## Nursery Duty

**Today: Teda, Carl, Bridget  
Jan. 8: Cathy, John, Dawson**

## Bulletin Board Postings

Seniors Luncheon Christmas luncheon pictures  
Friendship Ministry Christmas Programme pictures