

Welcome to Hope Church. We're glad you're here. We celebrate Pentecost Sunday this morning – remembering when the Father and the Son sent the Holy Spirit to dwell in and among believers. We will, therefore, also celebrate the Lord's Supper together. If you are a believer in Jesus Christ, trusting in Him for your salvation and following Him as Lord of your life, you are encouraged to join in this sacrament. The elders will serve you in your seats, and we will all eat and drink together. The inner ring of the trays of cups is grape juice; the others are wine.

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 second song of the service the children (age 3 – grade 4) will be dismissed for Sunday School. You are encouraged to accompany them to their classrooms and then return for worship. During the song after the message the children will return from Sunday School, and you are encouraged to meet them in the foyer and then return to your seats.

This morning the message will be on the meaning of Pentecost as the reversal of what happened at Babel: misplaced unity resulting in dispersion moving back to unity in the Spirit of God. This afternoon, Pastor Bob will conclude the series on prayer put forth in the Heidelberg Catechism. This will conclude the Catechism teaching series as well.

Hope Church Family: All are welcome to witness the exchange of vows between **David Cramer and Tiffany Sobush**, this Friday, May 16, at 1:00 PM at Hope Christian Reformed Church. **Margaret Doust** was laid to rest in Sunset Memorial Gardens on Thursday, May 8. Again, our condolences are extended to Joan and Ron McEachern, family, and friends. **Mrs. Theresa Vis** suffered a seizure or stroke last week, but is recovering well. **Gary Ogilvie** is at home now. He will receive chemotherapy and radiation treatments for the next 12 weeks on an outpatient basis. Visitors are reminded to be free of contagious diseases when visiting. **Henry Prenger** remains in hospital and is recovering well. He hopes to go next to St. Joseph's for continued therapy. We give thanks to God for all our **mothers:** those with us, and those who have gone ahead. God's blessings to **Tina Prenger** who celebrates her 76th birthday on Wednesday and to **Evert Gysen** who celebrates his 70th birthday on Saturday.

Agenda for Sunday, May 11, 2008

Greeters:

AM: Carl & Sylvie Muller

PM: John & Aly Miedema

Coffee Servers

Dave & Carolin Boer

James & Shirley VanDyken

Nursery: Morning

Infants: Andrea Grootenboer

Breanna Janssens

Toddlers: Ron Grootenboer

Greg Huitsing

Rachel Heerema

Nursery: Afternoon

Infants/Toddlers: Colleen Heerema

John Heerema

Audio AM: Jason Blekkenhorst

PM: Andy Heerema

Video AM: Paul DeOude

PM: Randy Carmichael

Sunday School

3 & 4: Nita Tuuttila, Leah Blekkenhorst,
Laura Blekkenhorst

SK & Gr 1: Andy & Teda Heerema, Jody
Heerema, Shelby Heerema

Gr 2 & 3: Angie Guarasci, Adam Agombar,
Matthew Agombar

Gr 4: Jolene Makkinga, Chelsea Cahais

Offering: CR World Missions

Agenda for Sunday, May 18, 2008

Greeters:

AM: Mike & Sue Otto

PM: Jim & Wilma Mol

Coffee Servers

Fred & Alice Cramer

Jack and Jo-Ann Vis

Nursery: Morning

Infants: Stacy Heerema

Victoria Miedema

Toddlers: Ron Heerema

Peter Miedema Jr

Maxwell Janssens

Nursery: Afternoon

Infants/Toddlers: Howard Heerema

Gabrielle Mol

Audio AM: Dan Blekkenhorst

PM: John Miedema

Video AM: Christina Mol

PM: Aly Miedema

Offering: TBCS

Weekly Agenda

Tuesday 13th

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7:30 PM Council

Church Community News, Events & Activities

Attention Seniors: A luncheon will be held in the church foyer at noon on May 21st. Mark your calendars and plan to attend!

Preaching suggestions welcome: Pastor Bob is soon to be planning the preaching schedule for the summer and fall. If you have suggestions for a series or requests for a particular topic or passage, he would be happy to consider them. A few requests have already come in. Please make your suggestions in writing and put them in Pastor Bob's church mailbox. Any information you can include (such as your name or why you are making the request/suggestion, for AM or PM services) will be helpful, but not necessary, and will be held in confidence.

Remember Your Missionaries: Today you will receive a prayer card of Jan and Darlene Van Ee, your missionary partners in Yucatan, Mexico. Please place this card on your refrigerator, in your bible, or any place where it will remind you to keep them in your prayers. We encourage you to write them a letter and let them know you are thinking about and praying for them. God uses these letters as a real source of encouragement and blessing!

Singing Our Songs: happens tonight at Hope Church at 8 pm. Bring your family and your friends for a sing-a-long of old favourites. If you have an old blue and red Psalter hymnal, a Joh. De Heer song book and you like singing harmony, bring them along. A limited number of blue Psalters will be available at the door. All the songs will be projected on overhead, words only. Stay for refreshments and fellowship after the singing.

This coming Friday, 51 eager youth along with 10 enthusiastic leaders, 3 energetic cooks, 1 empowering speaker and 1 exciting band will be heading to Fort Frances for a fun filled, spiritually enriching weekend. Please pray for safe travel, great weather and a good time to be had by all.

First Church Family: Our young people and Teen Club will be attending the Spring Youth Rally at Sunny Cove this coming weekend. We pray for safe travel and a weekend of spirit-filled activities. **John Staal's** health is failing and he was moved to St. Joseph's Hospice this past Thursday. Please keep both John and Lammie in your prayers. **Thank you:** Louis VanRamshorst would like to thank everyone who remembered him with cards, visits, phone calls and best wishes on his recent birthday, while he was in hospital and during his recuperation. Thank you so much, it is very much appreciated.

Bethlehem Church Family: Eero Tuuttila requires radiation to treat the cancer with which he has been diagnosed, and we pray that this may be effective. Henny Ypma continues to receive chemo, and is doing relatively well, for which we thank the Lord.

URC Family: Please continue to remember our sick and elderly in your prayers, including Mr. & Mrs. Jan & Henny Buitenhuis, Mrs. Ann Hoogsteen, Mrs. Gerda Vandenbroeke, and Mrs. Elizabeth Zandstra. Pray also for our special needs children, Ashley, Dale, Joshua and Laura. We also want to pray for Mrs. Charlotte MacMillan, who will soon be moving into a new home and for Mr. Eero Tuuttila, son-in-law of Mr. & Mrs. Buitenhuis who is battling cancer.

Thunder Bay SERVE 2008 is looking for Prayer Partners for students, leaders, and Host Team members. This year we are expecting 52 student participants and 10 leaders. If you are interested in serving them as a Prayer Partner, please contact Harold de Jong: tel. 622-4740, email hdejong@tbaytel.net.

PRISCILLA LADIES SOCIETY: Enrichment Day - D.V. May 15th 10:00 a.m. Come and visit Papua New Guinea with Donna Preator representative from Wycliffe Bible Translators. Ladies you **do not** want to miss this special presentation by Donna. She will be sharing their lives with us in Papua New Guinea. Her husband is a pilot, bringing Bible translators into remote areas. **Mark this date on your calendar.**

Get ready.....Article One is back for an Official CD Release Concert on **Saturday, May 31 @ 8:00** pm at Hope CRC. Tickets are \$10 in advance, \$12 at the door, with group pricing available. Pickup tickets at Holland Bakery, Hulls Bookstore or talk to Inez/James. Sound Bits at www.articleonemusic.com

TBCS NEWS: Just a reminder....Our TBCS Spring Service Auction is only 2 weeks away, and items of service are slowly coming in. To help reduce the \$10,000 deficit that our school is currently facing, we would like to have everyone get involved (students, parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles) Please help us promote TBCS at the same time by inviting your friends, co-workers, neighbours and relatives to this wonderful event on Friday May 23 rd at 8 pm in the TBCS gym. We would like to know by May 14th what your service auction item will be, so we can make up a list and send home with your child(ren). We are aware that there are other events going on that night, and we want you to still be a part of this evening. So if there is an item that you want to bid on, place your name and highest bid in a sealed envelope and we will take care of the rest! Also there will be food and refreshments available to be purchased that night, so come out to support the grade 8's for their last fund- raiser before their grade 8 Toronto trip! We would like to also Thank Mr. Ben Postuma for offering his Auctioneer services. One last thing....if you need ideas, here are some more: Host a murder mystery night at your house, ice fishing day trip, snow-boarding lessons, boat rides, snow removal, relief milker, house-sitting, pet grooming, pet sitting, tree removal and/or planting, and landscaping. Just remember that these items don't have to be just for spring and summer. They could be used for the fall and winter as well. We are hoping that this night is a success in helping to reduce the deficit. So please, have fun with this and be creative! If you need more information, please contact Sharon Breukelman @ 474-3224 or spuds@tbaytel.net Thanks.

Youth Zone

Youth attending the Rally please be at First CRC at 1:00pm. Remember to bring money to pay for supper in Fort Frances on Friday evening.

From the Deacons: This weeks offering is for **CRWM**.

World Missions at a Glance

Christian Reformed World Missions is the agency that leads the Christian Reformed Church in evangelistic outreach and discipleship outside of North America. It does this by working in partnership with the 1,000-plus congregations that make up the CRC.

Through World Missions, also known as CRWM, congregations currently send about 250 missionaries to 20 countries. The CRC also has partnerships with churches and agencies in 13 other countries where it cannot place missionaries.

In addition to sending fulltime missionaries, congregations in Canada and the United States send short-term missions teams and create connections for missions around the world.

Through World Missions, churches receive support in developing strategic missions plans and assistance in engaging in the international ministries to which God has called them. CRWM currently has ministries in

- Africa: Guinea, Mali, Nigeria, Sierra Leone
- Asia: Bangladesh, Cambodia, China/Taiwan, Japan, Philippines
- Europe: France, Hungary, Russia, Ukraine
- Latin America: Costa Rica, Cuba, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Haiti, Honduras, Mexico, Nicaragua

You can support the work of Christian Reformed World Missions through your offerings on Pentecost Sunday, as well as with your gifts and prayers throughout the year. For more information or to find ways to serve at home or abroad, please visit our website at www.crwmm.org or e-mail crwm@crcna.ca in Canada.

Next week's offering is for the **Thunder Bay Christian School**.

Participants:

Accompanist: Derric Tempelman

Liturgy and Preaching: Pastor Bob Vance

All Worshipers

MESSAGE OUTLINE – May 11, 2008

Scripture – Genesis 11:1-9 and Acts 2:1-13

Message – “*From Babel to Pentecost, Conspiracy to Unity*”

Aim – that listeners will appreciate the significance of Pentecost in redemptive history, work for the glory of God, and maintain their unity in the Spirit.

Introduction

1. The Conspiracy of Mankind (at Shinar) (Gen 11:1-4)

2. The Discipline of God (Babel) (Gen. 11:5-9)

3. The Healing of God (Pentecost) (Acts 2:1-13)

Conclusion

A. One area where I have been making a name for myself, and possibly robbing God of His glory: _____

B. One thing I will do, with the help of the Holy Spirit, to restore God’s honor and glory in this area is: _____

C. I need to work on being more unified with the following brother/sister in the Lord:

Hope Christian Reformed Church of Thunder Bay

May 11, 2008 – Morning Worship

Welcome to worship at Hope Church – Pentecost Sunday!

The Lord Draws Us to Himself

Prelude

Welcome & Call to Worship

*Song: “Majesty”

*God’s Greeting and We Greet One Another

*Response: “Gift of Christ from God Our Father” (SNC 167:1, 2, 4)
(Children age 3 – grade 4 are dismissed for Sunday School)

The Lord Invites Our Prayers and Thanksgiving

Pastoral Prayer

Offering: Christian Reformed World Missions

Offertory Prayer

The Lord Speaks Into Our Lives

*Song: “For Your Gift of God the Spirit” (PH 416:1, 3, 5)

Scripture Reading: Genesis 11:1-9 and Acts 2:1-13

Prayer for Understanding

Message: “*From Babel to Pentecost, Conspiracy to Unity*”

Prayer for Transformation

The Lord Renews Us In His Grace

*Song: “Breathe on Me, Breath of God” (420:1-3)

(Children return from Sunday School)

The Formulary, Brief Instruction, and Invitation

Sharing the Bread

Sharing the Cup

Our Thanksgiving

We Leave to Tell the World Good News

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

*Benediction

*Doxology: “Great Is the Lord”

Postlude

* You are invited to stand

Hope Christian Reformed Church
May 11, 2008 – Afternoon Worship (2:30 PM)

We Gather Unto the Lord

Prelude

Welcome and Call to Worship

*Song: “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing” (PH 486:1-3)

*God’s Greeting & Greeting One Another

*Song: “Spirit Divine, Inspire our Prayer” (PH 421:1-4)

We Make Our Profession

*Heidelberg Catechism Lord’s Day 52 Q&A 128-129

Pastoral Prayer

(concluded with the Lord’s Prayer in unison)

Offering: Christian Reformed World Missions

Offertory Prayer

We Hear God’s Word

*Song: “Open Our Eyes, Lord”

Scripture: Matthew 6:13b (some late manuscripts)

Prayer for Understanding

Message: “*Praying with Confidence*”

Prayer for Transformation

We Leave in Hope to Bring Hope to the World

*Song: “How Great Thou Art” (PH 483:1, 3, 4)

*God’s Blessing

*Doxology: “Threefold Amen” (PH 641)

Postlude

* You are invited to stand

Participants:

Accompanist: Derric Tempelman

Liturgy & Preaching: Pastor Bob Vance

All Worshipers

MESSAGE OUTLINE – May 11, 2008

Heidelberg Catechism: Lord’s Day 52 Q&A 128-129

Scripture – various

Message – “*Praying with Confidence*”

Aim - that listeners will be able to confess the kingdom, power, and glory of God, and pray with confidence.

Introduction

1. Approaching the King with confidence

2. Knowing He wants to bless us

3. Knowing He is able to bless us

4. Giving Him all the glory

5. Leaving His presence with confidence

Conclusion

A. One thing I have not brought to the King (because I was not sure how He would respond), but will now:

B. One area where I have been “stealing” the Lord’s glory is:

_____.

But I will give it to Him from now on by: _____.

