

Requested Announcements

Farewell service (2:30 pm) and farewell party (7:30pm) at First CRC for Pastor Henry VanderBeek TODAY. During the evening, we will have a short programme, refreshments, cake/ baking and fellowship. We look forward to seeing you there.

POSITION OPENING - Associate Curriculum Editor - The Christian Reformed Church in North America (CRCNA) is seeking a full-time (40 hrs/wk) Associate Curriculum Editor with Faith Alive Christian Resources in the Grand Rapids office. This position will assist the editor in chief and managing editor in developing the pedagogical content of materials for children and youth produced by Faith Alive and ensure their suitability for teaching in the churches. A detailed position description can be found at <http://www.crcna.org/jobs>. For consideration, complete the on-line application attaching a cover letter & current resume by Nov. 16.

SERVE & LEARN IN THE DOMINICAN THIS WINTER! - Christian Reformed World Missions is urgently seeking short term teams with an eagerness to serve and learn alongside members of La Iglesia Cristiana Reformada en la República Dominicana (Christian Reformed Church in the Dominican Republic) on church related projects. Winter projects have been planned and prioritized, and are now just waiting for your participation. Please contact ServiceLink today at volunteer@crcna.org to explore exciting partnership opportunities for your congregation. For further information on this or other opportunities visit www.crcna.org/servicelink

Prayer Request - Home Missions supports more than 120 ministries that are sharing the Gospel across North America. Please join us in praying that God works through these new churches, campus ministries, and other ministries to transform lives and renew communities together. www.crhm.org

Write for The Banner - The Banner is seeking a regional news correspondent for the region that includes Wisconsin, Minnesota, Manitoba and Northern Ontario. If you like to write, we'd like to hear from you. All expressions of interest should be emailed to Gayla Postma, News Editor, at gpostma@crna.org. Please include a resume or letter outlining your news-writing experience and a recent sample of your work.

THUNDER BAY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thunder Bay Christian School Bazaar and Auction: Buenos dias, mis amigos! Mark your calendars! We are gearing up for another exciting Bazaar and Auction on Thursday, November 24 and Friday, November 25. Doors open at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday and 6:00 p.m. on Friday. The auction will start at 8:00 p.m. on Friday evening. Come on out and enjoy the food, fellowship and fun that has always been a big part of the Bazaar. There will be new and used items for sale and fun games for everyone. Admission is free, so bring your friends.

Donations: If you would like to make a donation; either a new item, a service for the auction, or money, it can be brought to the school office or contact Cindy, or any other Bazaar Committee member. All proceeds go to the Thunder Bay Christian School "general fund".

Used Items: If you have used items to donate to the Bazaar, they can be brought to the wrestling room (downstairs) or contact a Bazaar Committee member if you need assistance transporting your items to the school. We would like to have these items by Friday, Nov. 18th so we can begin pricing and organizing them.

Baking: We're looking for yummy desserts for our Delectable Dessert Table. Call Brenda to sign up a dessert. We're also looking for baking for the bake room. Note that all baking must be nut free.

Your time: The Bazaar requires a lot of volunteers to run smoothly. Please call Brenda to sign up for a shift or 2 or you can sign up at the Membership meeting on November 7, 2011.

Your prayers: Please pray that the Lord will guide the Bazaar Committee in all that we do as we plan for this major fundraiser.

Pray not only for financial success, but also that an enjoyable time will be had by all.

PRINCIPAL/CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER OPENING: Thunder Bay Christian School is accepting applications for a principal/COO with some teaching responsibilities. The contract begins August 1, 2012 and the application deadline is January 9, 2012. Please see the Thunder Bay Christian School website - www.tbaychristianschool.ca for the full job posting and submission information

Weekly Agenda

Sun 30 th	Mon 31 st	Tues 1 st	Wed 2 nd	Thurs 3 rd	Fri 4 th	Sat 5 th	Sun 6 th
Pastor Henry's farewell @ First CRC		Cutting bags& making mats for third world countries 10 am First CRC	Prayer Ministry 7 pm		Hope Church office open 9 am – 1 pm		Linger Lunch
Committee Reports due		Council Executive Meeting	Coffee Break Bible Study 10 am				

Serving Sunday, November 6, 2011

Greeters	Coffee	Nursery	Audio	Sunday School		
Bill & Jenny	Fellowship Committee	<u>Infants:</u> Laura	Dan	3 & 4 year	SK/Gr 1	Gr 2/3/4
		<u>Toddlers</u> Gerald Samantha	Visual	Tammy	Jennifer	Alyssa
			Christina	Kiera	Laura	Madeline

Offering Sunday, November 6, 2011: CRWRC World Hunger



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"Anchored in Christ"

"Living in Hope to Bring Hope"

**Sunday October 30, 2011
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.

Today at Hope

Today – Experiencing God #4 – God Speaks to his People.

Jesus' sheep hear His voice. God is not a dumb idol, He is the living God. He speaks through the Holy Spirit and the gifts He distributes to His people, and in many other ways. God reveals (Mt. 11:25) Himself (His names), His purposes (Amos 3:7), and His ways (Isaiah 55:8; Zechariah 4:6; Micah 4:2; Psalm 25:8-9; John 14:6) of doing things.

We also welcome Mark & Nancy Vanderwees to the service as they give us a report of what God is doing through their work in Nicaragua with CRWRC.

Next Sunday at Hope

Experiencing God #5 – God's Invitation Leads to a Crisis of Belief

Passages to read in preparation:

Esther 1:1 – 4:14 (esp. 4:12-14); John 6:25-69 (esp.68-69); Hebrews 11:6

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Greeters	Coffee	Nursery	Audio	Sunday School		
Peter & Lauri	Andy & Teda	<u>Infants:</u> Henriet	James	3 & 4 year	SK/Gr 1	Gr 2/3/4
	Kyle & Michelle	<u>Toddlers</u> Andrew Mallory	Visual	Bridget	Kim	Kim
			Shirley	Rachel	Dominique	Ryan

Offering Sunday, October 30, 2011: Home Missions

Hope Church News

Hope Church Family: Joan successfully sustained gall stone removal on Wednesday of last week.

Happy Birthday to Matt and Kathryn, both of whom will be celebrating a birthday this week.

No Catechism classes this coming week.

Sunday Nov. 6 is designated by the CRWRC as World Hunger Sunday. Our offering here at Hope next Sunday will be for this worthy cause. One in six people in our world do not have enough to eat. CRWRC invites you to share with them through this year's World Hunger Campaign. Hunger and malnutrition are the number one risk to the health worldwide. Peter Fish banks will be distributed to the Sunday School children to enable them to help in this campaign and participate in World Hunger Sunday. Thank you for being part of God's kingdom feast by sharing your blessings with others. If you want to know more about world hunger and what CRWRC is doing to end it, or if you want to find out ways that you can volunteer or get involved, please visit www.crwrc.org.

Hello Hope Church! We, the Evangelism Committee, are looking for 1 or 2 more people to join our group! We would love to have you join us and see the fruits of bringing Christ to people that may not have known Him before. This committee is ideal for anyone and is really not a huge time commitment. Please call Carol or Stephanie if you have any questions! We'll hear from you soon!

Friday Night Drop-In is looking for 2 new leaders! There will be help and advice available for many weeks. This important ministry is rewarding and directly benefits the neighbourhood community. Please call Carol or Stephanie for more information.

Women's CoffeeBreak Bible Study will meet again this coming Wednesday mornings November 2, 10 am. at Hope Church.

If you would like to join, but cannot make it on Wednesday mornings, please talk to Hannelies to make other arrangements.

To All Hope Church Committees: Kindly have all written reports into the church office by TODAY so they can be included in the Congregational Package which will be distributed on November 6. They can be e-mailed to hopechurch@tbaytel.net.

Congregational meeting is November 22—please keep this date available and make every effort to attend.

Telephone Directory: Today is the last day to update your directory information. Sheets are on the table in the foyer, **OR** you can e-mail your new address to hopechurch@tbaytel.net. **THANK YOU** for all the updates sent in thus far.

Mailbox inserts: Council mini-minutes, November birthday calendars

Youth Group

1. Sending out an invitation to all high school students for Friday, November 18 for an evening of Laser Tag at Ron's Virtual World beginning at 7 pm. Cost will be approximately \$10/person.
2. For those youth who wish to go on Serve 2012, please see Cathy for a registration form today.

We invite you to a Linger Lunch Sunday, November 6 @ Hope immediately following the service

Hot Dogs & buns provided

Bring a pot of soup and extra baking if you have some

Church Community News

Congratulations to **Lammie** who celebrated her 85th birthday last Friday. Special birthday blessings to you Lammie and may the Lord grant you many more years. The family will be serving cake following the morning service. * Let us remember in our thoughts and prayers our shut-ins and elderly members: **Bill, Roelof, Johanna, Jan, Helen, Louis and Wilma.** * Cheryl has not been responding well to the latest treatments and has laryngitis and bronchitis. Speaking is such an effort. She is house-bound for a while. * Sarah, 3 year old daughter of Rev. James, has been diagnosed with a significant cancerous growth in addition to the other physical complications she was born with. * Our special needs members remain Joshua, Dale, Ashley, and Laura. *. Charlotte is limited in her ability to attend worship. * Let's remember these and our elderly and shut-ins and raise them up in prayer to our gracious Father.

Hope Christian Reformed Church of

Thunder Bay

October 30, 2011

The Lord Draws Us to Himself

Prelude

Welcome & Call to Worship

*Gathering Songs: "Come People of The Risen King"
"Come, Now Is the Time to Worship"
"Be Still For the Presence of the Lord"
(SNC 11)

*God's Greeting and We Greet One Another
(Children age 3 – grade 4 leave for Sunday School)

The Lord Invites Our Gifts and Prayers

Announcements and Pastoral Prayer

Offering: Home Missions

Offertory Prayer

The Lord Speaks into Our Lives from His Word

Song: "Thy Word" (SNC 86)

Scripture Reading: Isaiah 55:8; Zechariah 4:6; Amos 3:7;
I Corinthians 12:1-11; John 10:2-4, 27;
John 14:6; Romans 8:14

Prayer for Understanding

Message: "Experiencing God #4 – God Speaks to His People"

*Song: "Lord, Speak to Me That I May Speak" (PH 528:1-4)
(Children age 3 – grade 4 return from Sunday School – parents meet them in the foyer)

A Report on What God Is Doing in Nicaragua

Prayer for Transformation and Support

The Lord Sends Us on His Mission

*Song of Praise: "Step By Step" (SNC 17)

*Benediction

*Doxology: "They Will Sing" (Glen)

Postlude

* You are invited to stand

Participants:

Accompanists: Breanna, Margaret,
Susan, Derric, Allan,
Henry, Bram, Mike, Glen

(James and Shirley - tech)

Liturgy and Preaching: Pastor Bob Vance

A Report on What God Is Doing – Mark & Nancy

Vanderwees, Christian Reformed World Relief

Committee - Nicaragua

All Worshipers

Message Personal Notes (a full set of preaching notes is available in the foyer)

Nursery Duty

TODAY: Henriet, Andrew, Mallory

Nov 6: Laura, Gerald, Samantha

Nov13: Tammy, James, Ryan

Nov. 20: Shirley, Bruce, Karly

Nov. 27: Debby, Henry, Alex

This is a very important responsibility, please be there when scheduled or find someone to cover for you.

Dates to Remember

Nov. 6: Linger Lunch

Nov. 7: TBCS Membership Meeting

Nov. 16: TBCCC Board Meeting

Nov. 22: Congregational Meeting

Nov. 24&25: TBCS Bazaar

Bulletin Board Postings

Teen Challenge Fundraising Banquet

CRC ServiceLink: Meaningful Opportunities for Youth

Til We all Have Voices: Nu-Vision Ministry Fundraiser

D.O.L.L.S Project

King's Announcements

Christian Reformed World Missions Advocate

Christian Reformed World Missions Global Update



*For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith
Ephesians 2:8*