



HOPE ^{IN} CHRIST
CHURCH

A Christian Reformed Church

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

TODAY'S MESSAGE

Don't Be an Immature Christian!

Hebrews 5:11-14

MAY 19, 2024

Pastor Scott Roberts

Welcome!

Welcome to Hope in Christ Church. We are so glad you have joined us today!
May God bless you as you worship with us.



Order of Worship

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship Revelations 7:9-10

Flag Processional

May the People Praise You

Holy Spirit You Are Welcome Here

Litany

Revelation Song

What a Beautiful Name / Agnus Dei

Is He Worthy

Prayer

Hebrews 5:11-14 Reader, Don Recker

Sermon Don't Be an Immature Christian!

Be Thou My Vision

Benediction

Build Your Kingdom Here



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

God is Moving Mountains

Legal or Illegal

Dozens of Muslim residents gathered outside the house of Pastor Kinerinda after worship ended in a town in Indonesia. According to town residents, they gathered there because there has been no approval or permission to build a place of worship. The residents told the police that the homeowner had used her home for worship services for a year, the police response was to refer the conflict to the “relevant stakeholders” – presumably the local city and religious leaders – to resolve the issue. Bonar Tigor Naipospos, deputy chairman of the Setara Institute for Peace and Democracy, said holding worship at a house is explicitly permitted in Indonesia’s Joint Ministerial Decree of 2006, which requires a permit only for a venue constructed as a permanent worship site. “The problem is that those who are intolerant always think that when Christians gather to worship, it is something that violates the rules – that worshipping together must be in a house of worship or church,” Naipospos told Morning Star News. Private worship is legal in Indonesia, but many people consider the “private sphere” as only the five daily prayers in Islam, he said. **Please pray** for opportunities for Pastor Kinerinda to share the Gospel with all the residents of the town.

Additional Prayer Requests

1. Pray for the Lord to soften the hearts of the town residents to be ready and excited to hear the Gospel and accept Jesus as their Savior.
2. Pray for the continued protection of freedom of worship in Indonesia and for the practical carrying out of worship to be accepted by the Indonesian people.

For more information, contact Rebekah Hurty
Rebekah@ChristianResponse.org

Servants for Sunday, May 26th

Greeters: Lou, Another needed

E-Street Taxi: Cain

Cookies: Elaine, Ruth, Barb

Foyer Monitor: Clair

Scripture Reading: Don R.

Prayer Room: Needed

Sunday School Observer:

Sermon Outline

Don't Be an Immature Christian!

Hebrews 5:11-14

- I. Immaturity plagues our western world
 - A. Examples in the world

 - B. Examples in the church (Heb 5:11-14)

- II. Dull of hearing (Heb 5:11)
 - A. Recapping the argument (Heb 5:8-10)

 - B. Why?
 1. Not Because it's hard to explain

 2. It's a problem in the people

 3. Dull of Hearing is not caring enough to grow

- III. Inability to teach others the faith (Heb 5:12)
 - A. Every Christian should be able to teach the basic faith to others

 - B. Pointed questions

- IV. Requiring remedial basic education (Heb 5:12)
 - A. This is shameful

 - B. Christians need to move on and master the basics of the faith

- V. Subsisting on milk instead of solid food (Heb 5:13)
 - A. Greek educational background

 - B. What is spiritual milk/basic education? (Heb 6:1-2)

 - C. What is solid food?

- VI. Unskilled in the word of righteousness (Heb 5:13)
 - A. They are infants (Mt 21:16)

 - B. What is the word of righteousness?

- VII. Unable to discern good and evil (Heb 5:14)
 - A. Maturity and the Fruit of the Spirit (Gal 5:13)

- VIII. Applications
 - A. Are you humbled?

 - B. Maturity is possible because the Spirit resides in you

Announcements

ELDER/DEACON NOMINATIONS: The following members have been presented by Council as candidates for Elder: Clair Abee, Michael Boer, Glen Hendricks, Jay Kaemingk and Ken Wick; and for Deacon: Hildred Abee, and Gina Nicolaas. After today's service we will draw lots and the Holy Spirit will select our next Elders and Deacons. We give thanks to Lou Kooistra and Don Recker for their service as Elders, and to Mike Button for his service as Deacon.

WOMEN'S SUMMER BIBLE STUDY: Interested in studying Galatians? We'll meet every other week starting mid-June using "Free From Bondage God's Way," and inductive study by Kay Arthur. Meeting day and time will be determined by those who can come. Contact Tanya by the end May if you're interested and want her to add your study book to the order.

FROM MARJIE: Dear Church, It has been a joy working in the church office because of you! Thank you for your patience, forgiveness, visits, emails, help, and smiles! I appreciated the generosity of notes, gifts, and prayers you gave that are supporting and encouraging me as I am getting ready to move to my new home. I will miss you! Thank you, Marjie

SERVE COMMUNITY MEALS: You can help serve community meals every Tuesday at 5 p.m. at First Baptist Church in downtown Bellingham. Those who need a meal will be offered grab-n-go bags of food (ham wraps, fruit, PBJ sandwiches, chips, cookies, and bottled water). If you or your small group would like to help serve those in need, contact James Parker at jameswparker@hotmail.com or (714) 785-5488.

PRAY FOR SYNOD 2024: The theme for synod's worship and prayer is "God with us." You can sign up to pray on your own or with your church or small group in June. Check out the many opportunities at crcna.org/synod/prayer and join in humble prayer for God's will to be done in the CRC. E-mail SynodPrayer@crcna.org with your questions or comments.

Council Members and Districts

Council President: David Richards (360-961-0459)

Elder Chairperson: Lou Kooistra (360-820-2548)

Deacon Chairperson: Mike Button (360-739-5435)

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CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Mon. - Thurs: 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Friday: Closed



BULLETIN DEADLINE

All bulletin items are due on Wednesday at noon.



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