



HOPE ^{IN} CHRIST
CHURCH

A Christian Reformed Church

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

TODAY'S MESSAGE

Shame and Divine Acceptance

Genesis 2:25 - 3:10, 21

JULY 28, 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

May the Peoples Praise You

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship Psalm 145:1-13

Goodness of God

His Mercy is More

Build my Life

Mission Trip Report - Amber

Prayer

Genesis 2:25 - 3:10, 21 - Reader, Mike

Sermon Shame and Divine Acceptance

O Church Arise

Benediction

I Believe



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

God is Moving Mountains

Beaten But Not Silenced

“Hello, I’m Heidar,” the voice on the phone said. “I’m a 19-year-old shepherd in Iran. I’ve been listening to your channel. Can you tell me more about this Jesus of yours?” The Christian on the other end of the line offered to send Heidar a Bible, but Heidar told her he could not read. Instead, they decided the counselor would call every week and read the Bible to Heidar. Heidar recorded what she read from the gospel of John so he could relisten to it during the week. After about a month, Heidar said to the counselor, “This message is so good! Why doesn’t everyone in my country know this? I want to go to the streets and shout from the rooftops about Jesus!” The counselor cautioned Heidar to be careful because evangelism is illegal in Iran. But Heidar was so enthusiastic about the message of Jesus, he did not keep quiet. He told neighbors and friends and even strangers in cafes. While Heidar was on the phone with someone for the TV ministry intelligence agents raided his house. The believers listened in horror as agents stormed in and began beating Heidar. “You could hear the screams in the background,” an ICR partner said. Eventually, one of the agents noticed the phone and saw a call was in progress. He picked up the phone and delivered a message: **“You are dangerous for the future of Iran. As long as you’re around, you’re going to be talking about this gospel of yours. People in Iran are going to get hurt. They’re going to get killed.”**

Additional Prayer Requests

1. Pray for Heidar to have opportunities to share the Gospel with the individuals who beath him.
2. Pray for Heidar to heal quickly from the injuries he received during the beating.
3. Pray for the hearts of the intelligence agents to be prepared by the Lord to hear and accept the testimony Heidar shares with them.

For more information, contact Rebekah Hurty
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Servants for Sunday, August 4

Greeters: Avis, Jay

E-Street Taxi: Cain

Foyer Monitor: Joe

Scripture Reading: Philip

Prayer Room: Needed

Sermon Outline
Shame and Divine Acceptance
Genesis 2:25 - 3:10, 21

I. Introducing Shame

II. First occurrence of the concept of shame in the Bible is at creation
(Gen 2:25)

A. Shame is a powerful force

1. It wasn't original to the creation.

2. A lack of shame (acceptance and honor) was the created order

B. The Hebrew word is **בוש** (**bush**)

1. Meaning of **בוש** according to NIDOTTE:
- “feeling of embarrassment . . . [or] rejection and abandonment by [another] in a superior position.”

2. Something happens: Adam and Eve hide from one another & from God (Gen 3:6-10)

C. What this tells us about shame

1. Shame is a social response
2. Shame is related to disobedience
3. Shame is dealt with by covering up or pretending to be something we are not.
 - a. What are your ways of trying to cover up your disobedience?
 - b. What are your coverups and pretendings to try to ease off embarrassment, rejection, or abandonment?

III. The Solution to shame?

A. Transparency: Admitting who we really are (Gen 3:21, 1Jn 1:9)

B. Finding real acceptance in Jesus (Jn 15:15)

Announcements

AUGUST CRAFT CAMP :

If you're looking for a creative time,
and fellowship.

I hope you can join me!

Spread the word! The more the merrier!

Who: Kids ages 6 - 106

What: Creating paper, new drawing/art techniques, more watercolor & acrylic painting, pop-up cards, fun-fold cards, Mixed Media, learn to crochet, cake decorating, jewelry, glass etching and more.

Where: Hope in Christ Church Foyer

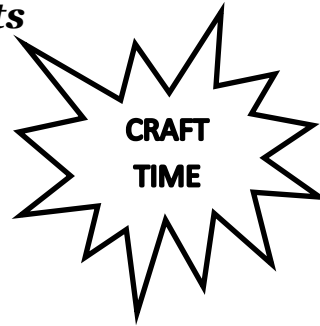
When: Tues., Wed. and Thurs., August 6, 7, & 8 from 10 AM - 4 PM

Why: Fun, Fellowship and Growing our Gifts

FYI: no fee, sharing my surplus!

If you like to attend or have questions just call or email,

Darlys Recker



CEF KIDS BIBLE CLUB HERE!: August 12-16 we will be hosting a CEF bible club at HCC from 3:30-5:00 each day. Please pray for God to direct the plans being made, to raise up the needed volunteers, and to be at work in the hearts and minds of kids he wants to have join in the fun while learning of his great news.

SAVE THE DATES: On July 30 and Aug 6 from 6 - 9pm we need 24 people to canvas the neighborhood around HCC for the CEF camp. Each day of the camp (Aug 12-16) we'll also need people to provide snacks, pray together, serve snacks, greet, and check kids in and out. Look out for an email to sign-up.

ENVISION MISSION UPDATE: There are now five guys at the Hope in Christ Summit House. They are all growing and doing well. We are also starting a new house connected to Northwest Baptist Church. Thank you to all those who have been discipleship Partners at the Hope in Christ house. You continue to be such a blessing. Feel free to ask us any questions on how to be involved. Maybe we could do a cleaning of the house or a potluck at the house with some who'd like to bring food. We just appreciate your support as a church. Thank you. Mitchell

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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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