



Join us Sunday morning at 10 am or anytime throughout the week. Pastor Erick will present a message entitled, **“The Spirit is on Me.”** He will be focusing on the book of [Isaiah chapter 61 verses 1-7.](#)

We celebrate Pentecost by remembering events 2000 years ago that launched the church. These events have roots even further back, and in the Old Testament. And what every expression of Pentecost has in common is God being powerfully present in relationship with people in order to bring about healing in his world.

**Let’s Build Community Connections!**

**HEALING PRAYER SERVICE:** Healing was and still is a significant part of Jesus' ministry. Come learn about and experience healing prayer at Mountainview Church's upcoming Healing Prayer Service on **Sunday, May 26 at 7pm.** All are welcome! *“Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse those who have leprosy, drive out demons. Freely you have received; freely give.”* Matthew 10:8



**Help support a food program for those experiencing homelessness in St Catharines.** We are making 80-100 bag meal each Tuesday and deliver them to designated spots. Want to Help? **Contact Pastor Erick:** [ericks@mountainviewcrc.org](mailto:ericks@mountainviewcrc.org)/416-689-8721. You can also donate to support this work by Cheque, Cash, E-transfer or the Bridge App: “Street Food Project– St Catharines” on the memo line.

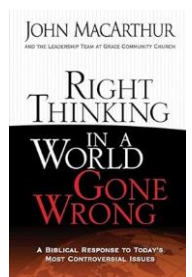


**Grimsby Life Centre 2024 Hope Grows Here –** The “Hope Grows Here’ campaign is an opportunity to teach our children the value of giving. With fun, hands on activities, the campaign is an excellent way to engage children in the ‘giving’ process. Growing hope looks like helping a neighbour, planting something beautiful, sharing a laugh, and making a donation that helps other families in our own communities! Giving is easy – just go to our website [grimsbylife.org](http://grimsbylife.org). Thank you for partnering with us in reaching our neighbours and the surrounding community.



**Mountainview’s Library is OPEN** before and after church and on weekdays for self-checkout. We’d like to highlight some new books at the Library over the next month or two. **Here’s another new book:**

**Right Thinking in a World Gone Wrong: A Biblical Response to Today’s Most Controversial Issues** by John MacArthur - Our response to moral questions is not determined by politics, economics, personal preference, popular opinion, or human reasoning. It is, instead grounded in what God has told us is true about ourselves and our world....God’s Word offers sanity, clarity, and hope.



**The Collective: A Young Adult Worship Community** - The Collective is a Christ-seeking worshipping community for young adults across Niagara to create meaningful relationships, to be encouraged in their daily walk of faith, and empowered to serve their local churches. **Join us for our first gathering on May 28th at Trinity CRC (1230 Old Martindale Rd, St. Catharines) at 7:30PM,** and afterward at Locke Street Brewery in Port Dalhousie!



**START THE PARTY! Kids@Mountainview Camp 2024 Registration has only a few spots left!!** There will be six weeks of camp, each with their own theme. Visit [mountainviewcrc.org/kids-camp](http://mountainviewcrc.org/kids-camp) for info or to register. For questions or more info., email or call camp Director Christine Winter: [camp@mountainviewcrc.org](mailto:camp@mountainviewcrc.org) / 905-932-4786

## OTHER COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS OPPORTUNITIES...



**2024 Youth & Young Adult Trip to Nicaragua** - World Renew extends an invitation to all Canadians age 15-25 to join us in Nicaragua this summer from **August 2-11!** We are recruiting youth and young adults to experience God in another culture, developing a perspective on poverty, missions and community development. To learn more about this trip and to register (Deadline June 2), visit <https://bit.ly/nicaraguaflyer>.



**SOCO Beach Project Update:** Read some first impressions of the SOCO experience. Save-the-date for the upcoming SOCO Sup on Saturday, June 22 at Grace United Church in Port Dover - a chance for yummy fish and chips evening out while supporting the SOCO participants. Come out to hear SOCO alum, Nathan Visser, as well as some SOCO musical talent. Tickets are \$30 (young adults) and \$40 (30 + years old). Reserve yours now at [info@southcoastbeachproject.org](mailto:info@southcoastbeachproject.org) Newsletter link: <https://mailchi.mp/southcoastbeachproject/soco-update-may-16-6226917>



Please save the date for our **May Plant Sale!** It will be held on **Saturday, May 25<sup>th</sup> from 9am-1pm** here at Shalom! We hope you will consider us for your garden and porch needs this year – Why? Because the proceeds go directly to improving our Resident experience! What a great cause! There will also be a bake sale, raisin buns, and coffee & cake for sale in the café. Our General Store will be open and well-stocked with Dutch goodies and a BBQ Lunch will take place from 11-1pm. We really hope we will see you there!



**Libertas - We regret to inform you that the Spring Concert Series has been cancelled.** Please share on social media or with friends and family you know were attending. We will make the necessary refunds for ticket sales. Thank you. Team Libertas



**Niagara International Students (NIS) Dessert Social May 31 @ 7:30 pm** - You are invited to celebrate with us what God is doing in the ministry with International Students at Brock and at Niagara College; this ministry is supported by Classis Niagara. **Location:** Harbour Fellowship, St Catherines; Theme: Sharing the Story --- Growing the Vision; Hear stories and be inspired by what God is doing while enjoying delicious desserts. Take the opportunity to step into and support the NIS vision. **This free event is for anyone interested in learning about NIS.** Register: <https://form.church/1iQ9ICYvd8TaAmj695a1>



**Do you have your ticket yet? Indwell is turning 50!** You're invited to celebrate and support supportive affordable housing right here in Hamilton. Join us for a special anniversary gala at the Hamilton Convention Centre on **Thursday, June 6** for a fun, informative and interactive evening (including a stroll through a life-sizes apartment!) with a delicious meal. Register at [Indwell.ca/events](http://Indwell.ca/events) (or call 905-529-0454 x0) to reserve your place – or invite friends and family to book a table or two. Let's pack out the Convention Centre!



**Redeemer's Summer Campus Visit Day will be held on August 9!** Until then, students can schedule a personalized tour of Redeemer's campus and a one-on-one meeting with an Admissions Counsellor. [LEARN MORE.](#)

**Work at Redeemer** - Redeemer is hiring an Internship Coordinator, IT Services Manager, Library Technician, and an Athletics Coordinator - Multimedia & Sports Information. Learn about these positions and many others [HERE.](#)

### CHURCH CALENDAR

Staff work a combination of in the office and at home throughout the week. At least one staff person is typically in the church each weekday. Contact info: <https://www.mountainviewcrc.org/staff-1>

Sun May 19 10:00 a.m. Sunday Service; Pastor Erick Schuringa; "The Spirit is On Me" –

Isaiah 61:1-7; Pentecost; Name Tag Sunday

	7-9	p.m.	Youth Alpha
Wed May 22	9:30	a.m.	Mission Circle
Thurs May 23	7:00	p.m.	Worship Team practice.
Sun May 26	10:00	a.m.	Sunday Service; Pastor Brady DeBoer; Communion
	7:00	p.m.	<b>Potluck and Prayer – Healing Prayer Service</b>

## JOYFUL GIVING

**THIS WEEK'S OFFERING: May 19th A.M. – Cairn Christian School:** Our Cairn Christian School sites in Smithville and Stoney Creek work to inspire Grade K-8 students to love, learn, and lead together in God's world. This offering provides vital support in achieving this mission, enabling students and families the opportunity to access an amazing Christian Education, and communicates our love for their students. Thank you for your support and prayers.

**UPCOMING OFFERING: May 26th A.M. – World Renew – Refugee Sunday:** Refugees have had to flee for their lives from war and persecution. They live in vulnerable and precarious situations and are in need of protection and opportunities to build a new life. There are over 36.4 million refugees globally. These men, women, and children have often been displaced by war, persecution and violence. Many live in very difficult conditions and struggle with food insecurity and poverty. Since 1979, World Renew with churches and other sponsoring groups, has responded to the needs of refugees around the world and has successfully sponsored and resettled more than 11,000 refugees to Canada.



**The Banner Needs You!** - The Banner is the CRC's award-winning monthly magazine. It is delivered free in print and online to every household in the CRC, and their annual donation appeal makes it possible. Please support this journalistic ministry and keep the community conversation going. You can give now at: [TheBanner.org/Give](http://TheBanner.org/Give)

**Banner Writing Contest for Young Adults: Peacemaking** - Cash prizes and winners published; enter by June 23. For details visit [thebanner.org](http://thebanner.org).



**Thanks to our supporters' prayers and generosity, NewGround has been cultivating community impact across Canada for almost 50 years!** Last year, Diaconal Ministries received applications to the program totalling over \$90,000. Because Christian Reformed Churches held offerings and individual donors gave generously, we were able to say "Yes!" to more churches longing to share God's love in their local community. Thank you for your prayers and support! You are helping us and our partners make a difference. Together we can continue to help transform communities for God's glory! To donate once or monthly, visit [diaconalministries.com/donate](http://diaconalministries.com/donate), send an e-transfer to [dmc@crcna.org](mailto:dmc@crcna.org) OR donate through your CRC church. Questions? Visit [diaconalministries.com/newground](http://diaconalministries.com/newground) and/or email our fundraising coordinator, Kathrin, at [kveenstra@crcna.org](mailto:kveenstra@crcna.org).

## DENOMINATIONAL NEWS

**NEWSLETTERS FROM OUR MINISTRY PARTNERS** – Available under “Community Partners” on our Website. Posted as they come in. Paper copies can be requested from the church office.. [Browse through the work of local and CRCNA ministries...](#)

**Kids Corner: The Promised Gift: Pentecost** - Check out this week's kids' devotion at [www.kidscorner.net/](http://www.kidscorner.net/). When Jesus was about to return to heaven to be with his Father, he reminded his disciples of the gift his Father had promised them. Did you know that the same gift is promised to you as well? God sends his Holy Spirit to everyone who believes in Jesus. It's an old promise that is still good for you today! Check out all the great content at [kidscorner.net](http://kidscorner.net), like KC Bible Story Podcasts.



**Groundwork: Salvation Through Jesus Christ Alone** - As the Christian faith spread, the Apostle Paul often wrote letters to churches he planted to help clarify and solidify his teachings. Join Groundwork as we begin a study of his letter to the church in Galatia by studying Galatians 1. Together, we'll study Paul's teaching about salvation and let it





continue to encourage our faith and strengthen our commitment to Christ today. Listen now at [GroundworkOnline.com](http://GroundworkOnline.com) and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

**Thrive Faith Formation Tip** - Families, check out the free downloadable resource 5 Ways to Pray with Kids—[tinyurl.com/5WaysPray](http://tinyurl.com/5WaysPray). Here's one of those ways to pray: have each person create a shape that represents what they'd like to pray about. Lego bricks, play dough, or pipe cleaners work well! Then pray about those things together. Learn more at [crcna.org/FaithPracticesProject](http://crcna.org/FaithPracticesProject)



## JOBS AND VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES



**Christian  
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Church**

**Student Position Opening: Accounting Assistant** - The Burlington office of the Christian Reformed Church in North America has a seasonal position opening for an Accounting Assistant. This position is full time May - August 2024. Learn more: [www.jobbank.gc.ca/jobsearch/jobpostingcsi/40851572?source=searchresults](http://www.jobbank.gc.ca/jobsearch/jobpostingcsi/40851572?source=searchresults).



**We Are hiring at Shalom!** Working at Shalom is a great opportunity to share your gifts and talents in a wonderful workplace and to become involved in the community! We take pride in offering the best possible care and making Shalom home for our residents. Become part of the team! **We are hiring in the following departments:**  
**MANOR NURSING:** **PSW** –part-time; **RPN** – part-time, full time and casual; and **RN** – casual  
**ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES:** LAUNDRY AIDE, summer vacation coverage position, starts mid June, ending September 1. Day hours, 3-4 shifts per week, includes some weekends. Apply by May 24. Visit our website and send your resume or any questions to [hr@shalommanor.ca](mailto:hr@shalommanor.ca) to see if a career with Shalom is a good fit for you!

**Breezes Café & General Store Attendant needed!** We are looking for volunteers to help run our Café and General Store on Mondays starting the beginning of June and Wednesdays starting in the end of June. Our Café and General Store are loved by many residents, family members and staff and provides and space for fellowship with some coffee and goody's. If you would be interested or would like more information please contact Brooke at [volunteercoord@shalommanor.ca](mailto:volunteercoord@shalommanor.ca) or at 905-945-9631, ext. 1115.



Niagara Christian Gleaners is an amazing, volunteer-based ministry. We'd like you to consider getting involved and to come and join our army of volunteers. The opportunities abound and every volunteer makes a difference as we prepare nutritious dehydrated food aid for those who are in need - all across the globe. We operate a modern food plant located in the heart of the Niagara Peninsula. To learn more please visit our website: [www.niagaragleaners.org](http://www.niagaragleaners.org).

### **OFFERING SCHEDULE FOR JUNE 2024**

**June 2nd A.M. – Benevolence:** Your contribution to Mountainview's Benevolent Fund provides assistance for those in need in our church family and in our local community. These include basic needs such as food, clothing, housing and schooling. A church and community of our size has many varied needs within it. Please continue to support our ministry of Benevolence.

**June 9th A.M. – Shalom Manor & Gardens** is a special Christian, non-profit long-term care home and retirement centre, serving seniors mostly of Dutch descent who belong to the community of Reformed faiths. Limited government funding does not allow the services our seniors require that meet our expectations and standards. Your gifts will enhance immediate resident care, programs, and debt load.

**June 16th A.M. – THRIVE (formerly Congregational Ministries):** Nine ministries are joining to equip and encourage our congregations more than ever before. Our new name is Thrive. In coming together, we hope to provide churches with one-stop access to support resources that are fully integrated, and responsive to the changing needs of local congregations. As we make this transition, we continue to support churches in the areas of [faith formation](#), [abuse prevention](#), [disability inclusion](#), [racial reconciliation](#) and [diversity](#), [pastors and church support](#), [chaplaincy](#), [justice](#), and [worship](#). Your prayers and continued

financial support are critical, whether through Ministry Shares or [individual donations](#). To keep up to date on all of our work, subscribe to the new [Thrive monthly email](#).

**June 23rd A.M. – Indigenous Ministry (Canada):** The Indigenous Ministry is made up of a national committee (Canadian Indigenous Ministry Committee), three Urban Indigenous Ministries, and a Justice and Reconciliation Mobilizer, each using their strengths to support healing and reconciliation between Indigenous peoples and non-Indigenous people in Canada. It is rooted in a recognition of our Creator's love for all creation and in the understanding that we all have gifts to offer one another.

**June 30th A.M. – Smithville Christian High School** is providing an authentically Christian education to teens from all over central Niagara. Smithville Christian High graduates are serving God and bringing shalom all over the world. Your gift will be used to keep tuition in check so that many families can have access to the exciting programs that enable our students to thrive. Thank-you for your part in keeping Christian education affordable at all levels.