



Who is Hope Church?

Hope Church is a small church with a loyal dedicated membership willing to donate our time, talents and resources. We support each other in times of need and are always willing to get behind a cause. Hope Church is warm and welcoming to our neighbours and guests.

*To know and to show
the love of Jesus.*

Humble Beginnings

Early History of Hope Christian Reformed Church, Port Perry Ontario.

Hope Church was built on a dream – the dream that those who lived far away from the church they were attending would be numerous enough to join together and build a church in the town of Port Perry.

People who had previously travelled to Whitby, Oshawa, Bowmanville and Lindsay now had a place of worship and fellowship closer to their home. The name “Hope” originated in the recognition of the fulfilment of the dream and also with the acknowledgement that our Hope is in the Lord and his Redemptive Love – Hebrews 10:23. We also recognize that without Him our dreams would come to nothing.

Our first church service was held in Port Perry United Church on July 19, 1978 – it was the largest church in town! Subsequent services were held in St John’s Presbyterian Church where our congregation grew from 39 to 49 families.

Hope Church was built with a great deal of volunteer labour – we had been blessed by many carpenters and willing workers in our congregation. We not only built a church building, but a community, and volunteers from neighbouring CRC churches rejoiced in being a part of it.

Sunday, December 12, 1982 was the first service in the new building with a formal dedication taking place on March 18, 1983. As the congregation changed, volunteers remain the heart of the church and almost everyone contributes to its running. Even the Banner publication created an article especially for the dedication service, March 18, 1983.

“Rejoice, give thanks, and sing.”



Pastoral History

Jacob Geuzebroek	(1978-1981)	Kenneth Van Schelven	(1992-1996)
A. Carel Geleyense	(1981-1985)	Norman A. Sennema	(1998-2008)
Bart Van Eyk	(1985-1991)	Bernhard VanderVlis	(2011-2022)

Leadership Team

We are blessed to have a member, John Molenaar, as our commissioned Pastor. Our Administrative Council consists of six elders who meet twice per month, with the first meeting inclusive of the chairs of the Pastoral Ministry Team and Deacons.

We also have:

- Pastoral Ministry Team
- Deacons
- Admin Team (building operations)
- Family Ministries - GEMS, Sunday School, Nursery, and Moms’ Social
- WOW - Wonder of Worship planning committee including the pastor, a worship coordinator and other volunteers



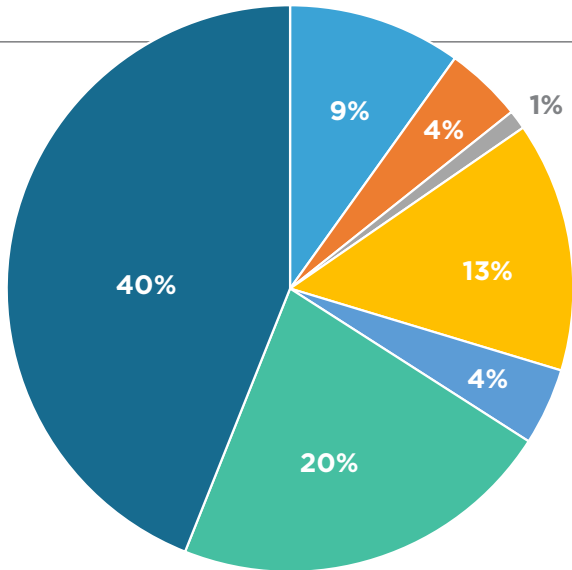
Job Description

Hope Church, in Port Perry, Ontario, is a small congregation who is prayerfully seeking a full-time pastor to serve and help lead our congregation to know and show the love of Jesus. We envision this individual supporting Hope Church to be a place where people are led into a life changing personal relationship with Jesus Christ, enfolded into a loving fellowship of believers and partners in service to actively share the love of Jesus with others.

For full job description see separate document.

Hope Church Ministries

Sunday School	Alpha
Nursery	Family Ministries
Moms' Social	Ladies Social
GEMS	Knitting Outreach
Men's Breakfast	Life Groups
Prayer Team	Reach Team



Demographics

- Age 65 +
- Age 50 - 64
- Age 35 - 49
- Age 25 - 34
- Age 19 - 24
- Age 12 - 18
- Age 0-11

Port Perry Proud



Port Perry is a picturesque town located on the shores of Lake Scugog and is known for its historical downtown and wide variety of events and activities. Port Perry offers quiet, lakeside living and excellent access to the GTA, with Toronto only 70 km away. Residents can enjoy beautiful Port Perry, but are only minutes away from Oshawa and Whitby. In addition, Port Perry is only an hour away from cottage country in the Kawartha Lakes.

Above all, with a population of just under 10,000, Port Perry provides its residents a friendly and tranquil small-town lifestyle.



Local Schools

Port Perry is home to several schools - Three elementary and one high school. There are also Christian schools in the area with transportation available to them.

Knox Christian School (www.knoxchristian.com)
Durham Christian High School (www.durhamchristianhs.com)
Immanuel Christian School (<https://immanuelschool.ca>)

Health Care

Port Perry has many health care facilities including a full-service community hospital, with an Emergency Department and New Life Centre; a medical centre with a diverse group of practitioners and treatment providers; as well as the only hospice residence in the Durham region, Oak Ridges Hospice.

Transportation

Durham Region Transit provides bus service in the town. Bus route 950 connects Port Perry to Durham College and Ontario Tech University of Technology in Oshawa.

Likewise, GO Transit services Port Perry. GO bus route 81 connects Port Perry with the Whitby GO Station.

Scan QR Code
to learn more
about Scugog



We would love to hear from you!

Our church profile and information package can be found attached which gives you a bit more insight into who we are here at Hope Church.

If any of this appeals to you or leads you to want more information, please contact us at **SearchTeam@hope4portperry.com**.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Jessica (Geleynse) Bandstra

Angela Brazeau

Jesse Featherstone

Jeremy Stevens

Henry Valkenburg

Nellie Westerman

Visit us at
hope4portperry.com

