

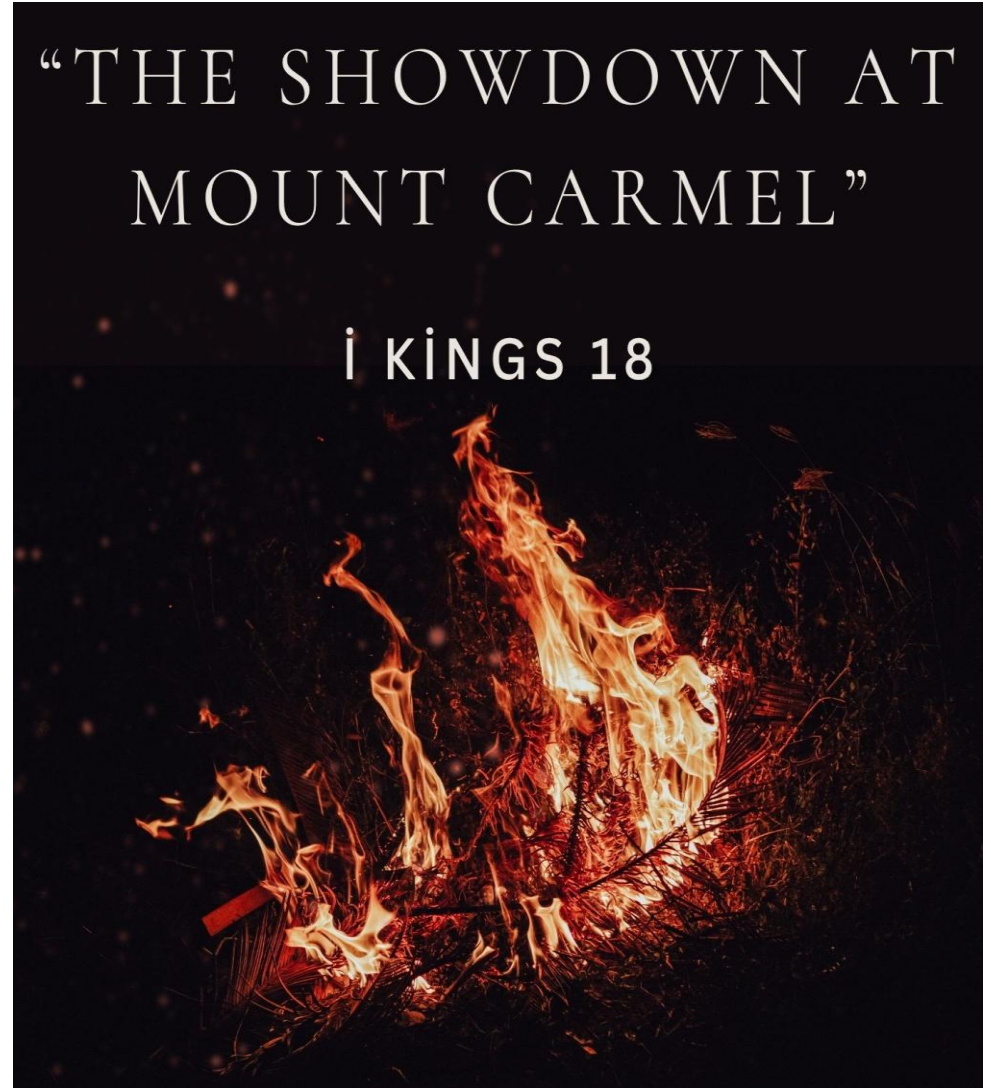
**\*Prayer Requests:**

- For protection and provision for our congregation during this pastor vacancy season.
- For our Pastor Search Committee, asking for wisdom, discernment and patience for each member as they find whom God has selected to shepherd this flock.
- Our Resonate Global missionary family, the Sytsma's, who are in Uganda and for the Horton family, missionaries in Guatemala.
- For Stephenville Christian Academy and other schools in our area. For the health and safety of the faculty and students as they are finishing out this school year and as preparations are made for next year.
- For Joy Osinga, and the restoration of her kidneys.
- Continued prayers for Brady Miller as they are in the next chapter of monitoring and for the original desmoid tumor to continue to shrink in his cheek.
- Prayers for Macee for continued improvement for mobility to her legs.
- For the expectant mothers in our SCRC family, Bregtje Vandermeer and JoEllen Taylor. For health and strength throughout their pregnancies, for safe deliveries, and for God's peace and protection over all mothers and babies.
- Comfort for the Hernandez family as they grieve the loss of baby Maya.
- For the family of Klaas Stoker who passed away from liver cancer.
- For continued healing for Frank Brand who slipped on ice and broke his femur.
- For Shirley Osinga who fell and broke her hip and fractured her back. Prayers for healing and strength for the months ahead of rehabilitation.

# Stephenville Christian Reformed Church

“THE SHOWDOWN AT  
MOUNT CARMEL”

I KINGS 18



**Pastor Donald Draayer**  
**May 10, 2026**

# Sunday Morning Service

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

\*Call to Worship (from Psalm 108)

Leader: My heart is steadfast, O God!

I will sing and make melody with all my being!

**People: Awake, O harp and lyre!**

**I will awake the dawn!**

Leader: I will give thanks to you, O LORD, among the peoples;

**People: I will sing praises to you among the nations.**

Leader: For your steadfast love is great above the heavens;  
your faithfulness reaches to the clouds.

**People: Be exalted, O God, above the heavens!**

**Let your glory be over all the earth!**

\*Prayer

\*God's Greeting/Mutual Greeting

\*Opening Song: "O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing" LUYH 590 (1-4, 8)

\*Call to Confession (from Psalm 139):

**People: Search me, God, and know my heart;  
test me and know my anxious thoughts.  
See if there is any offensive way in me,  
and lead me in the way everlasting.**

\*Song of Response: "How Great Thou Art" LUYH 553 (1, 3, 4)

\*Assurance of Pardon (from Psalm 118):

Pastor: Let those who fear the Lord say,

**People: His steadfast love endures for ever.**

Pastor: Out of my distress I called on the Lord;

**People: the Lord answered me and set me free.**

Pastor: The Lord is my strength and my song;  
he has become my salvation.

**People: I shall not die, but I shall live,  
and recount the deeds of the Lord.**

Pastor: In Christ, God answers us and sets us free!

**People: In Christ, we are forgiven! Thanks be to God.**

Offering: General Fund & Stephenville Christian Academy

Children's Message

(Children 3 and under are dismissed to the nursery)

Congregational Prayer

Message: "The Showdown at Mount Carmel"

Scripture: I Kings 18

Prayer

\*Song: "Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus"

\*God's Parting Blessing

\*Sending Song: "Glorify Thy Name"

# Stephenville Christian Reformed Church News



Welcome to our fellowship, where we are gathered together as friends and family to worship and praise our God. If you are visiting with us, we are glad that you are here! This morning, Pastor Draayer will be continuing his series on the Old Testament prophet of Elijah focusing on I Kings 18. Following service, please join us for a time of fellowship with coffee & cookies, followed by Sunday school classes for PreK to HS, and the “Digging Deeper” class for adults.

## Weekly Schedule

**Sunday 10:30am** Sunday Morning Worship Service  
**11:45am** Sunday School  
**Thursday 9:30am** Ladies Coffee Break

## Offering Schedule

**May 10:** General Fund & Stephenville Christian  
**May 17:** General Fund  
**May 24:** General Fund & Guatemala Missionaries  
The Horton Family  
**May 31:** General Fund & Benevolence

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## Nursery Duty

**May 10:** DeeDee & Marlee  
**May 17:** Katelyn & Kylar  
**May 24:** Janna & Paisley  
**May 31:** Bregtje & Katie

## Sound Booth

**May 10:** Justice & James  
**May 17:** Honor & Shaun  
**May 24:** Kaleb & Ryland  
**May 31:** Justice & Dillinger

## Sunday Cookie Duty

**May 10:** Annemarie Werkman  
**May 17:** Maryke Hernandez  
**May 24:** CoriAnn Kalsbeek  
**May 31:** Lynn Lail

## \*News/Reminders:

**Monthly Capital Campaign** – The May capital campaign is for the Horton Family who are local missionaries serving the people in Guatemala and are originally from Dublin, Texas. As of March 2020, the Hortons became career missionaries to Guatemala, after having served one term there as missionary associates. They are country coordinators for the child sponsorship program, ChildHope (formerly Latin America Child Care), to

provide education, food, clean water, and the knowledge of HOPE in Jesus Christ to children and families across the country. In addition, they are helping usher in a new program, Open+, which is part of the RedU network. Open+ is a brand-new organization that seeks to engage students on the university campus in intentional relationships, with the desire of sharing the gospel of Jesus Christ. Open+ is mobilizing Christian university students with the tools they need to lead weekly small groups and disciple new followers through one-on-one mentoring. Also, Open+ strives to serve the local church in preparation for unique, new believers and give back to the community in times of crisis." We will take the offering in support of this ministry on May 24<sup>th</sup>.

**Membership Update:** The council met with Sina Veltkamp and has approved the reactivation of her membership at Stephenville CRC. Welcome back Sina!

## \*Upcoming Dates to Remember:

**End of Year Education Dates** – Summer break is almost here for our education programs. Wednesday family night has concluded and will begin again in August 19<sup>th</sup>. Sunday school classes will end on May 17<sup>th</sup> and we will have a special teacher appreciation during the morning worship service. Fall Sunday school classes will resume on August 16<sup>th</sup>. And finally, Ladies Coffee Break will conclude their study on May 21<sup>st</sup> and resume August 20<sup>th</sup>. If you are interested in teaching in the fall of 2026 in any of our education classes, please reach out to Jennifer Osinga.

**SERVE Stephenville** – SERVE Stephenville is 6 weeks away! Please be in prayer for the SERVE host team as they finalize plans for this summer’s mission trip and for the individuals that will be traveling to Stephenville in June. There will be a host team meeting at the church on June 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**SERVE 2026** – Our youth group will be attending SERVE this year in Niagara Falls, Canada from July 11<sup>th</sup> to July 18<sup>th</sup>. We will have 16 youth and 4 leaders going on this mission trip. Please keep the youth and leaders in your prayers over the next few months as they prepare for this mission trip!