

March 29, 2026
Pastor Alan Berneman
Sermon: "Hope—Part 1"

IMPORTANT DATES:

Monday, March 30th: Looms of Love 1-3pm; Elders' Meeting 6pm.

Tuesday, March 31st: Scouts 6-7pm.

Wednesday, April 1st: April Fool's Day.

Thursday, April 2nd: Maundy Thursday Service 7pm.

Friday, April 3rd: Good Friday Cross Walk begins at noon.

Sunday, April 5th: Easter Breakfast 8:30-9:30; Easter Service 10:00.

Saturday, April 18th: Mission Coalition Bake Sale 9am-12pm @St. Luke UMC.

Easter Continental Breakfast - April 5th

**Celebrate the joy of Easter by joining your church family
between 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.**

Breakfast of cinnamon rolls, mixed fruit, coffee, juice and milk will be
served. Bring your family and friends!



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**Worship Service:
Sanctuary & Online 10:00am**

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<u>Opening Song</u>	" Sing for Joy "	
<u>Welcome and Announcements</u>	Lighting of the candles & bringing in the elements	
✂ <u>Praise Song</u>	" <i>Here I Am to Worship</i> "	
✂ <u>Call to Worship & Unison Prayer</u>		
✂ <u>Praise Song</u>	" <i>Hosanna</i> "	
<u>Children's Time</u>		
<u>Choir</u>	"Hosanna, You Are Our King"	
<u>Joys and Concerns</u>		
<u>Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer</u>		
<u>Hymn</u>	"Tell Me the Stories of Jesus"	#190 vs 1,3
<u>Scripture</u>	Matthew 21:1-11	#21
<u>Sermon</u>	"Hope—Part 1"	
<u>Hymn</u> (Majesty Hymnal)	"Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"	#220
<u>Offering and Communion Invitation/Prayer</u>		
<u>Communion Hymn</u>	" <i>Here at Thy Table, Lord</i> "	#148 vs 1,3
<u>Words of Institution</u>		
✂ <u>Blessing</u>	Extinguish candles and take the light out into the world	
✂ <u>Closing Song</u>	"Oh, How I Love Jesus"	#99 vs 1

Call to Worship

Leader: The King is coming! Not with military might, but with love and humility.

People: We raise our voices, shouting "Hosanna in the highest!"

Leader: Let us lay our lives down before him, as they did their cloaks.

People: We lay down our fears, our burdens, and our lives before the King.

Leader: Come and save us, Lord Jesus.

All: Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

Unison Prayer

Forgive us for the times our praise is fleeting, and when we prefer the parade over the path to the cross.

As we lay our lives before you today, like garments on the road, help us to follow you with steadfast faith, through the difficult week ahead. Amen.

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- ✂ - Indicates to stand if you are able.
- Here at First Christian Church, we practice an open Communion Table where everyone is welcome. Please come forward to receive your communion elements. Upon return to your seat we will partake of the Lord’s Supper together.
 - Please sign the pew register, pass it to your neighbor and return it to the center aisle.
 - Bibles and Hymnals are in the pew racks.