

April 19, 2026
Pastor Alan Berneman
Sermon: "Their Eyes Were Opened"

IMPORTANT DATES:

Monday, April 20th: Looms of Love

Tuesday, April 21st: Scouts 6-7pm; Board Meeting 7pm

Wednesday, April 22nd: Bible Study 6pm; Choir 7pm

Vacation Bible School



Once again this year, First Christian Church, will be joining with St. Luke Methodist and First United Methodist to hold Vacation Bible School. Last year was a great experience for all involved. Join us at St. Luke Methodist June 22 through June 26 for Snowball Mountain Challenge. Kids will become Challengers, gearing up for frosty games, snowy surprises, and hands-on lessons about resilience and faith. Guided daily by Ollie the Arctic Seal, who is reporting on the events. Challengers aren't just playing games; they learn to draw strength from their faith through powerful stories of courage and hope.

In addition to youth, many adult volunteers are needed to make VBS a success. Please prayerfully consider volunteering this year.

For questions, please contact Vicki Gunsaulus (641)521-5428



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<u>Opening Song</u>	" Trust In Jesus "	
<u>Welcome and Announcements</u>	Lighting of the candles & bringing in the elements	
✂ <u>Praise Song</u>	<i>" Come As You Are "</i>	
✂ <u>Call to Worship & Unison Prayer</u>		
✂ <u>Praise Song</u>	<i>" Thank You, Lord "</i>	
<u>Children's Time</u>		
<u>Joys and Concerns</u>		
<u>Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer</u>		
<u>Hymn</u>	" Christ Arose "	<i>#224 vs 3</i>
<u>Scripture</u>	Luke 24:13-35	<i>#85-86</i>
<u>Sermon</u>	"Their Eyes Were Opened"	
<u>Hymn</u>	" Thine Is the Glory "	<i>#218</i>
<u>Offering and Communion Invitation/Prayer</u>		
<u>Communion Hymn</u>	<i>" An Upper Room Did Our Lord Prepare "</i>	
<u>Words of Institution</u>	<i>#385 vs 1,2</i>	
✂ <u>Blessing</u>	Extinguish candles and take the light out into the world	
✂ <u>Closing Song</u>	" Christ Arose! "	<i>#224 Refrain only</i>

<u>Call to Worship</u>
<u>Leader</u> : Come, out of the darkness of doubt.
People: We come seeking the Light
<u>Leader</u> : Open your hearts to receive God's healing love.
People: Lord, help us to see you and to feel your loving presence.
<u>Unison Prayer</u>
Loving God, come and speak to our hearts today.
May we, like those on the Emmaus Road, find your words burning with hope in our lives.
Strengthen us and give us courage for the journey ahead. For we pray in Christ's Name.
AMEN.
✂ - 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.