

Celebration of Worship

March 1, 2026 10:30 AM

OPENING SONG *Oh Our Lord
God of Justice*

WELCOME Tommy Cook

OPENING PRAYER/LORD'S PRAYER

CHILDREN'S BLESSING Merideth Sprigler

OFFERTORY* Merry Beth Henderson

SERMON Rev. Amanda Meade

COMMUNION SONG *Let Us Break Bread Together*

CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION Pastor Jerry McBroom
Larry Smith, Elder

Communion is open to all who would like to partake.

We serve unpackaged communion and juice or pre-packaged cups that contain both. Please take the option that is comfortable for you. Our gluten-free communion pods are marked with a G.F. sticker. All communion cups contain juice.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Rev. Merideth Sprigler

INVITATION

CLOSING SONG *God So Loved*

ANNOUNCEMENTS/BENEDICTION Rev. Amanda Meade
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We use materials from the Child of Blessing; Growing Faith in Worship project (see your e-news for more info).

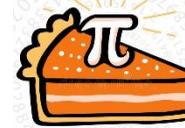
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Annual Chili Cook Off Sunday, March 15 after worship in the gym. We need YOUR favorite homemade chili for our chili fundraiser! We have 4 categories: Hot, Mild, White (chicken) or Vegetarian. Prize awarded for best overall chili! If you don't make chili, we also need sides (bread, crackers, cheese, sour cream, etc.). Please let Rev. Merideth know if you can help or see e-news for link to sign up.

No cost to attend, but donations are collected for our youth ministry program. Everyone who attends gets two free tickets to vote for their favorite chili. Additional voting tickets can be purchased for \$1 each.

Plus, Pi (π) Day Pie Sale for Acts 2! Sunday, March 15, Before and after worship. **Bakers!** We need sweet pies, savory pies, things that have pie in the name, food that is like pie OR food that is nothing like pie. Label food with ingredients & any special instructions. Consider packaging smaller servings for those who do not want a whole pie.

Eaters! Donate to our Acts 2 fund (cash or online) to take home something delicious!



PI DAY

Ministries

Forgotten Louisville - Winter Needs: Gloves, Hand Warmers, Blankets, Heavy Socks (adult sizes only) Ongoing Needs: men's boxers, batteries (all sizes), protein such as Vienna sausages and individually packaged snacks like Little Debbie's. The collection box is across from the elevator.

Elder Prayer at the Belltower The elders invite you to gather with them on the **third Sunday of each month at 10:00 a.m.** to pray for the church. *In inclement weather, Elders will pray in the staff office on the lower level of the church.*

Elders on Call in March

Larry Smith, (502) 644-1818, lsmith@bisig.com

Sharon Hillerich, (502) 797-8421,

sharon.hillerich3000@gmail.com

Small Groups & Fellowship

SAGES Lunch - Thursday, March 5 at 12:30 p.m. (*note change from usual time*). In March, we'll meet at Bristol Bar & Grill, 300 N. Hurstbourne Pkwy. RSVP to Pastor Jerry.

Bunco Game Night - Friday, March 13, Doors open at 6 p.m. Join us for a fun night of play and community! Friday, March 13 - doors open at 6 p.m. game play starts at 6:30 p.m. \$10/person (cash only). Please bring a snack to share! RSVP by Wednesday, 2/11 to [Merry Beth](#).

Men's Breakfast Group - Tuesday, March 17 at 8:00 a.m. at First Watch on Westport Road near Meijer. Please RSVP to Steve Wood at (502) 724-8846.

Thursday Night Sewing Class 5:30 - 7:00 p.m. New students are welcome! Donation is appreciated. Bring your own sewing machine if you have one. Children must attend with an adult. Space limited; sign up required. Contact Debbie McCune (see back) for more info.

Studies

Book Study: Think Red: Imagine Your Community Living and Loving Like Jesus 2nd and 4th Sunday of each month at 9:45 a.m. in the First Kids Office. Contact Debbie McCune (see back) for more info.

Sunday School: Exploring Our Faith Sundays at 9:30 a.m. Group discusses the Center of Action and Contemplation (CAC) Daily Meditations. For more, see your e-news or contact Steve Wood/Patty Rankin.

Monday Morning Women's Group Mondays at 10:30 a.m. Group meets in the Sunday School Classroom. Now studying *What Do Our Neighbors Believe: Questions and Answers on Judaism, Christianity, and Islam*. All are welcome. For more information, contact Patty Rankin at (502) 552-5921.

Wednesday Men's Group Group meets at 8:30 a.m. in the Community Room. Currently studying *Life Lessons from Matthew* by Max Lucado. If interested in joining, please contact Steve Detweiler at (502) 551-4419.

FCC Louisville News

Welcome to FCC Louisville! For more info about anything here, visit fcclouisville.org/church-news or contact the church office.

Past livestreams: youtube.com/@FirstLouisville.

Sunday Connect Card Please check in this morning and help us gather attendance & connect with visitors. Use the **QR code on the card in your pew or on the back of this bulletin**. Paper copies are at the ends of pews; place in offertory.

Lent 2026

Lenten Online Study: Join us for "*Rend Your Heart: A Lenten Journey Toward Authenticity*," a six-week online study designed to help us peel back the masks we wear. This study is for all! See e-news for more. Facilitated by Pastor Jerry.

Passion Sunday During worship on Sunday, March 29, we will celebrate Passion Sunday by intentionally moving through the events of Holy Week from Palm Sunday all the way to the cross, putting our training to the test. We will read the stories from Matthew and reflect on them at five different stations throughout our building. We will begin in the gym with coffee and donuts (and palms, of course!). For those with mobility issues, seating will be available along the balcony so that there is no need to navigate the stairs. Everything will be printed for those with hearing issues.

Maundy Thursday *Could you not watch even one hour with me?* ~ **Matthew 26:40** For Maundy Thursday, we will continue our reflection on the events of Holy Week with an hour of silence. The sanctuary will be open for an hour from 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. for you to spend time in prayer and reflection as you prepare for Easter Sunday. Communion will be available upon request.

Easter Sunday is April 5! We will have TWO worship services that day at 9:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Join us at one or both! A children's mini-egg hunt will be held on the playground after each service.



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we are Disciples of Christ, a movement for wholeness in a fragmented world.

As part of the one body of Christ, we welcome all to the Lord's Table as God has welcomed us.

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Check in! Let us know you are here today and share prayer requests with us!



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