

## Prayer Requests

Place in the offering baskets or the offering boxes near the Worship Center doors or at the Welcome Center.

Prayer Team  Confidential

## This Week At ACV:

### Sunday - April 5th

8:30 am Easter Service  
10:30 am Easter Service

### Tuesday - April 7th

9:00 am Women's Prayer - C

### Wednesday - April 8th

6:45 pm AWANA  
7:00 pm Youth Group - SC  
7:00 pm SWAGS - 6  
7:00 pm Young Women's Study - D  
7:00 pm Men's Study - 3 Arrows

### Friday April 10th

11:00 am Harold Jones Memorial Service

### Saturday - April 11th

7:00 am Men's Group - CR & GR

#### Key:

WC- Worship Center GR- Great Room  
SC - Student Center CR- Conference Room  
D- Classroom D C- Classroom C  
5- Classroom 5 P- Pavilion

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## Looking Ahead...

April 7th Elder Board Meeting  
April 10-11th Men's Retreat  
April 12th Baptism Service  
April 13th Trustees Meeting  
April 16th JOY Group Lunch  
April 18th ACV Spring Workday  
April 18th Dinners of Six  
April 18th CYAH Bonfire Potluck  
April 19th MASK'd Prayer Meeting  
April 25th Feed My Starving Child  
April 29th AWANA Awards Night  
May 2nd Ladies Tea  
May 17th Graduation Sunday

### Next Sunday, April 12th, 2026

Greeters: Jon & Kim Erickson  
Children's Church: Camey Bevins  
Addie Anderson & Aria Madrigal  
Nursery: Robin Heetland & Dorene Hanson

## Stewardship Update

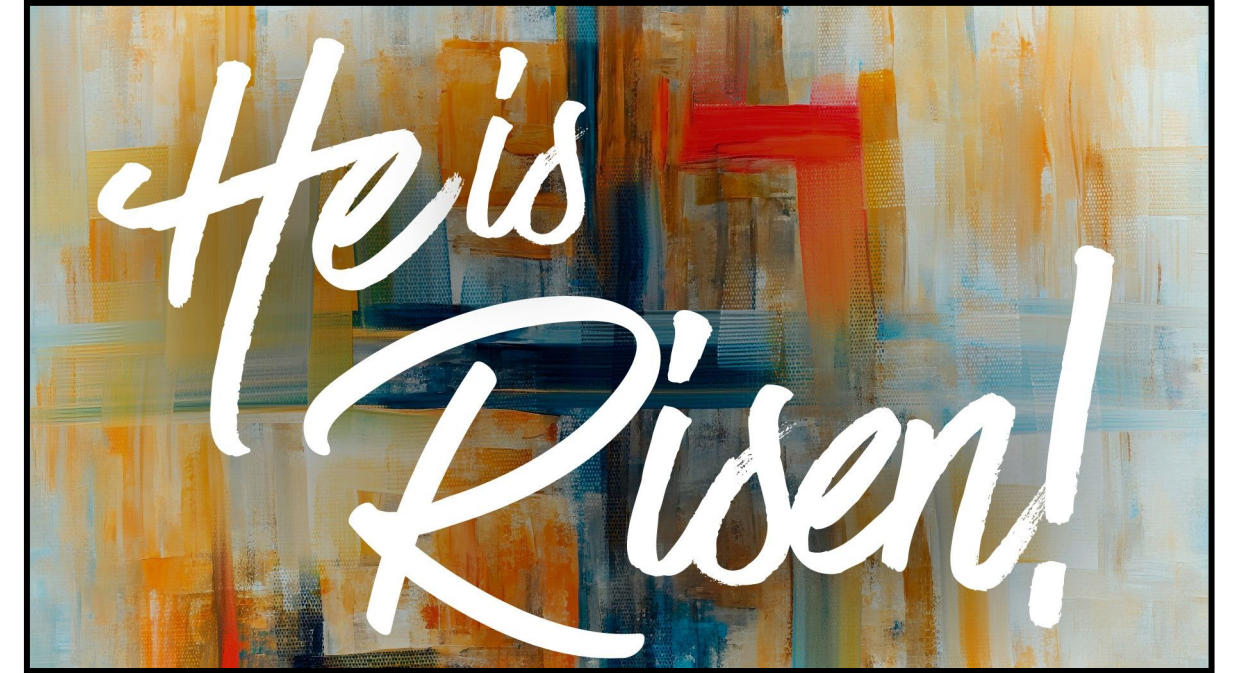
Attendance for March 29th, Service: 355

### Giving For March 29th, 2026

General Fund Weekly Budget	\$	12,846.15
General Fund Giving	\$	15,451.41
Missions Giving	\$	485.00
Year To Date Missions Giving	\$	23,705.90
Last Year To Date Giving	\$	29,241.33
General Fund Budget (thru 35 wk)	\$	449,615.25
General Fund Offering (thru 35 wk)	\$	479,850.03

*Thank you for your faithful giving!  
To contribute to the work of the church, you can:  
\*place your gift in the offering basket or the boxes at the exits  
\*give online at stcroixalliance.com*

4/5/2026



Welcome to Alliance Church of the Valley  
We're glad you're here.

2026  
Koinonia Café Open  
10:00 am Worship Services

#### Nursing Mother's Room

A glass enclosed sound proof room is available at the back of the upper level of the Worship Center for nursing mothers. It contains an audio feed from the sound booth.

#### Nursery 10:30 am

Our well staffed nursery is available on the upper level across from the Worship Center doors for children who are infant to 36 months.

#### Children's Church 10:30 am

We provide an age suitable learning environment for our families in Classroom 3 on the lower level. Kids age 3-6 years old are welcome to participate. Please arrive prior to the start of service.

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Comments:

# SERMON

Easter Sunday  
Sunday, April 5th, 2026  
Title: Death is Defeated. The Tomb is Empty.  
You Are Alive in Christ.  
Text: Colossians 2:13-15  
Speaker: Pastor Chris Folkestad

## Connecting With Our Church Family

### He Is Risen!

He Is Risen Indeed! We are so glad you chose to join us this joyous morning as we celebrate Easter and what it truly means to be alive in Christ. It is a blessing to see the church filled with so many friendly faces. We are honored to share this special day with each and every one of you.



### First Time Visitor

If you are new to our church, we would love the opportunity to get to know you better. Please take a moment to fill out the connection card found in your folder and bring it to the Welcome Center after the service. We have a complimentary gift bag waiting there for you as a small token of our appreciation for spending your Easter with us!

### Baptism Service

Please join us next Sunday for our Baptism Service. Baptism is a public declaration that you have accepted Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior and are committed to following Him for the rest of your life. Come celebrate with us as we witness people take this step in their faith. If you are ready to take this next step or simply have questions, our pastors would love to connect with you.

### Men's Retreat 2026

All men are invited to join us April 10th-11th for the 2026 St. Croix Valley Men's Retreat at Oak Forest Center! We will be continuing our four-year journey through the book of Ephesians with a deep dive into Ephesians 4. Registration is open on the ACV website.

### Condolences

We extend our sympathies to Kathryn Jones and the entire Jones family following the passing of Harold. Please keep Kathryn and her loved ones in your thoughts and prayers as they navigate this season of loss. A Celebration of Life Service to honor Harold Jones will be on April 10th at 11:00 am.

### Spring Workday

Our annual campus cleanup day will be held Saturday, April 18th, from 8:00am-Noon. A usual assortment of tasks, including washing windows, picking up sticks and limbs, raking gravel, filling pot holes, trimming shrubs, mulching flower beds, and more. The to-do-list has been posted on the bulletin board near the front entrance. Bring your buckets and cleaning supplies, ladders, shovels, rakes, chainsaw, leaf blowers, pruners and loppers. Questions may be directed to Mike Hanson, Chairman of the Trustees.

## Women's Ministry

### Annual Ladies Tea

Don't miss the "piping hot" event of the season! Join us for our final Women's Ministry gathering of the year on May 2nd. Ladies of all ages (3-103!) are invited to wear their favorite fascinators for an afternoon of tea and fellowship. We are also looking for 10-14 hostesses to provide tea sets and decorate a table. Please register by April 19th at the Welcome Center or on the church website.



### Dinners of Six

Join the Women's Ministry on April 18th for a relaxed evening of food and fellowship in local homes. These small gatherings of six are a perfect way to build deeper connections in an intimate setting. Register today online or at the Welcome Center. Registration closes on April 12th.

### Happy Hike-HERS

We will be hitting the Stower Seven Lakes Trail on April 6th at 10:00 am. We will start near Dresser, 3 miles south of SCF 90th Ave. Contact Kathy Scharfenberg with any questions.

## Connecting to the Community

### Open Arms Dinner

We are excited to invite everyone to our Open Arms Dinner on April 23rd starting at 5:00 pm. This meal is free and open to all! We'll be serving up a delicious spread of Cheesy Au Gratin Potatoes, Glazed Carrots, Spring Pea Salad, fresh Dinner Rolls, and Rhubarb Custard Cake for dessert! We can't wait to see you there.



### March Meal Madness

During the month of March we teamed up to impact our neighbors near and far. Our Final numbers:

- Globally: We raised \$1,071 for the Polk County FMSC Mobile Pack. If you would still like to donate to this event please mark your donations "FMSC"

- Locally: As a Church family we collected 164 pounds of food and supplies! It was all donated to the SCF Family Pathways Food Shelf.

### FMSC MobilePack Sign-Ups

Sign-ups for the Polk County FMSC MobilePack are available now at the Welcome Center!

## Young Adults

### CYAH @ Bonfire Night

Join us on April 18th from 5-8 pm right here at ACV for an evening of bonfire fun, potluck foods, and games. Signups are available at the Welcome Center or on the church website.

## Youth Ministry

### Youth Group

Calling all 6-12th graders! Join us every Wednesday night at the Student Center for Youth Group from 7:00-8:30 PM. Doors open early at 6:30 PM for games and hangout time. We can't wait to see you there!

## Children's Ministry

### AWANA

Kids from Pre-K through 6th grade are invited to join us for AWANA every Wednesday from 6:45 PM to 8:15 PM! It's a high-energy night of games, scripture memory, and fun with friends—we can't wait to see you there.

### VBS 2026

Join us for VBS at ACV during the week of July 13th for a journey through the Highlands and the heart of scripture. We are still collecting cardboard for our decorations. Please drop any donations off at the office.

## -First Time Visitors-

We are so glad you've come this morning to seek the Lord Jesus Christ and worship Him together with us. Please take a moment to complete the Connection Card attached to this worship folder. Please bring it to the Welcome Center to receive a *complimentary gift bag* and information about the ministries of our church.

## Connection Card

Please sign, tear off, and place in the offering.

- 1st time guest
- 2nd time guest
- 3rd time guest
- Regular Attender
- Member
- Visiting with family/friends
- New Address/Phone/ Email

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City/State \_\_\_\_\_  
Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
Email \_\_\_\_\_

### Age Group

- Jr./ Sr High
- 40-50's
- College (18-24)
- 60-70's
- 20-30's
- 80+

Name(s) of children living at home and ages:

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### I'd like information on:

- How to begin a relationship with Christ
- How to become a church member
- Youth Ministries
- Children Ministries
- Small Groups (Life Groups)
- Interested in Baptism
- Women's Ministries
- Men's Ministries
- Music Opportunities
- I'd like to talk to a pastor
- I'd like to subscribe to the Newsletter
- I'd like a church mailbox

### Other:

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