

March 2024 Calendar

Sunday, March 24

6:00pm Youth Group

Wednesday, March 27

10:30am Word and Prayer
NO Wednesday Night Ministries

Thursday, March 28

8:30am Men's Small Group

Friday, March 29

6:30pm Good Friday Service

Saturday, March 30

8:00am Men's Breakfast

Pastors & Elders at Hope

Visit our staff page on our website for a full list and contact info.

Mickey Klink

Senior Pastor

Greg Lynas

Pastor of Worship & Implementation

Casey Ehlers

Pastor of Discipleship & Hospitality

Kurt Pazdra II

Pastor of Student Ministries

Mark Tichgelaar

Elder Chairman

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Office Hours:

Monday – Thursday

9:00 AM to 3:00 PM



"Building a community that loves Christ to reach a community that needs Christ."

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Sunday Worship 8:00 AM and 10:45 AM

- Nursery & preschool care are provided during services for children ages 5 and under
- You can download or watch today's sermon on hefc.net or on our YouTube channel Hope Church Roscoe

Growth Hour 9:30 AM – 10:15 AM

- Worship Center: *The Miracles of Jesus* by Casey Ehlers and Mickey Klink.
- Fellowship Hall: *Bend the Knee* by Jordan Taylor
- High School Class in Fireside Room
- Middle School Class upstairs in The Loft
- 4th and 5th Grade in Classroom 10
- Elementary School in Drake Hall
- Preschool in Preschool Wing

Download our app Church Center and have access to:

- Upcoming events
- Prayer requests
- Ministry information
- Library catalog
- Church directory
- Previous sermons

Hospitality Center:

Visit the cart in the lobby to pick up the following:

- Kids' activity bags
- Assisted listening devices
- Daily Bread booklets
- Printed song lyrics
- Connect Cards



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box as you exit



On our website
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Ways to Give:

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Holy week starts today, Sunday, March 24. Pick up a reading guide in the lobby today!

We are having a **VBS Workday on Thursday, March 28**, from **10am-4pm**. We will have projects for every age! Children are welcome with parental supervision. Contact dawn@hefc.net if you have any questions.

New to Hope or know someone who is new? We are having a Newcomers Lunch on Sunday, April 14, in Fireside Room following the second service. Whether you've been here for months already or have only been visiting for a week or two, we desire for you to stop by. Some of our Hope staff and pastors will be there and would very much like to meet you! If you know you are interested, RSVP so we can get a head count for food.

Men of Hope Softball registration is now open! Sign-up on the app or at the kiosks in the lobby. Contact pastorcasey@hefc.net if you have questions. The 12-game season will start on Monday, May 13.



Church, Jesus Is Your King

John 12:12-16

March 24, 2024

Pastor Mickey Klink

Introduction: On this church holi-day we celebrate the arrival of King Jesus and remember our allegiance to him.

1) The world is craving a king (vv. 12-15).

Rev. 7:9-10: ⁹ *After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, ¹⁰ and crying out with a loud voice, “Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!”*

1 Thess. 4:16-17: ¹⁶ *For the Lord himself will descend from heaven with a cry of command, with the voice of an archangel, and with the sound of the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. ¹⁷ Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so we will always be with the Lord.*

2) Jesus came as a king but as a very different king (vv. 14-16).

All the churches of Jesus Christ, scattered in diverse cultures, have been redeemed for God by the blood of the Lamb to form one multicultural community of faith. The ‘blood’ that binds them as brothers and sisters is more precious than the ‘blood,’ the language, the customs, political allegiances, or economic interests that may separate them.

We reject the false doctrine, as though a church should place allegiance to the culture it inhabits and the nation to which it belongs above the commitment to brothers and sisters from other cultures and nations, servants of the one Jesus Christ, their common Lord, and members of God’s new community.

-Miroslav Volf (*Exclusion and Embrace*, 46-47)

Response

Hope Church, seek first the kingdom of God!

Sunday Text Questions

John 12:12-16

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Read the text aloud and discuss together any significant observations or issues needing clarification.

- 1) Why does the church (everywhere!) celebrate Palm Sunday and, if you are being honest, how significant is Palm Sunday to your Christian life?
- 2) What is the significance of all the pomp and circumstance described in vv. 12-13, and what would that experience have been like had you been present among the crowd?
- 3) Why did the disciples not realize the full meaning of what was happening until “after Jesus was glorified” (v. 16)?
- 4) Palm Sunday is the annual reminder for Christians that the King has come and will come again. In what ways is this a helpful reminder for you, and how might you need to let Jesus be King over some area(s) in your life?
- 5) How does the biblical truth that Jesus is King and that Christians should “seek first the Kingdom of God” (Matt 6:33) offer a helpful corrective to the dominance of national politics in the hearts and minds of most American Christians?
- 6) In what other ways, if any, did this passage speak into your life to teach, rebuke, correct, or train you in righteousness (cf. 2 Timothy 3:16)?

Further study this week: Passages related to the message of this week’s text: Matthew 21:1-11 (Mon); Mark 11:1-11 (Tues); Luke 19:29-44 (Wed); Psalm 118 (Thurs); Revelation 7:9-17 (Fri).

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Dawn Heintz: My faith in the Lord started through my aunt and uncle, but I lost that connection when I was seven. I have always felt a pull to the Lord, but I felt forsaken with the change in my family dynamics. Fortunately, the Lord reconnected me with my aunt and uncle and with Him. I used to feel like I like was on the outside looking in, but now I feel more at peace with my direction in life, finally finding the loving Father I longed for.

Sean Cook: I believe Jesus has cleansed me of my sins. I trust in the gospel, and I desire to follow Jesus in obedience. I was baptized as a child, but I want to be baptized as a professing believer in Christ. It is a public declaration of my faith and connects me to this church body.

Elliot Atz: I accepted Jesus into my life and want to spread His belief to anyone who doesn't know Him. I know that he has been faithful to forgive my sins when I ask Him. Baptism is also what God asks of me. It enhances my connection with those around me at the church. I'm showing the them that I want to follow God. I have been going to Hope Church for years and have believed in God for a long time. Some of my fondest memories are of AWANA. I am ready to send the message of my belief to the body.

Isabella Trout: I believe that Christ has a plan for me and that someday I will fulfill it. In fifth and sixth grade, I wanted to end my life because I felt like I was alone and no one understood who I was. In sixth grade, I was exposed to my school's Christian group. Through the years I have been more determined to strengthen my faith. God got me through the rough patches, giving me comfort when I needed it, being a friend, being my savior. There is nothing that I can do to repay him, but I want to be baptized to show my dedication to him. I want to show him that I am all-in; I want to show him that no matter what, I am going to follow his plan and trust in him.

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