

**SERMON NOTES:**

**Scripture:** Luke 18:31-34 Pew Bible Page #1495

**Message:** « Jesus Revealed »

**ALLEN AVENUE  
CHRISTIAN  
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**Pastor Mark Hofman**  
**Palm Sunday**  
**March 29, 2026--10:00am**

# Come...Now is the Time to Worship!

**Palm Sunday--March 29, 2026**  
**Pastor Mark Hofman**

## WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

Prelude

Welcome and announcements

Invitation to Quiet

Call to Worship

Leader: Wave palms of victory.

**People: Jesus is Lord!**

Leader: He came to give his life

**People: that we may live forever.**

Leader: Let's worship him with thankful hearts.

\*Hymn of Praise

*Hosanna Loud Hosanna*

*LUYH 145*

\*God's Greeting

\*We Greet One Another

**Scripture Reading**

***The Triumphal Entry***

***Luke 19:28-44***

Song

*Spring Sings*

*Kids' Vocal Group*

Children's Message

Jennifer Darling

Children's Blessing

***Jesus loves you.***  
***He suffered for you.***  
***He died on the cross for you.***  
***He paid the price of sin for you.***  
***May you worship him with thanksgiving.***

Prayers of the People

Bob Vanderlaan

## LISTENING TO GOD SPEAK

\*Song of Preparation

*To Mock Your Reign*

*LUYH 162 :1,3*

Scripture Passage

Luke 18:31-34

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Leader: "This is the Word of the Lord." **People: "Thanks be to God."**

Message

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Prayer of Application

## RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

Offerings Allen Avenue General Fund and Resonate Global Missions

*[offerings may be given online at [allenavechurch.org](http://allenavechurch.org)  
or in the baskets at each entrance]*

\*Song

*What the Lord Has Done in Me*

*LUYH 800*

## GOING OUT TO SERVE

\*God's Parting Blessing

\*Parting Song of Praise

*All Glory, Laud, and Honor*

*PsH 376*

\*Postlude



## We Live to B.L.E.S.S.

*Believe. Love. Evangelize.*

*Support Christian Instruction. Serve.*



### NURSERY & COFFEE FELLOWSHIP



3/29: Nursery: Amber Johnson & Maelin Vlasma  
Sunday School/Catechism  
Coffee Fellowship: Ron Friday & Sandy Volkers  
4/5: Nursery: Susan Vanderlaan & Beth VanRees  
Children in Worship: Laurie DeJonge and Carol Peterman  
Coffee Fellowship: Continental Easter Breakfast 9-10am  
4/12: Nursery: Sue Sytsema & Tayla Vlasma  
Children in Worship: Kelly Dauser & Jill Schuitema  
Coffee Fellowship: Jack & Laurie DeJonge  
4/19: Nursery: Carol Peterman & Melissa Vlasma  
Children in Worship:  
Coffee Fellowship: ???



### ALLEN AVENUE MISSIONARIES

***\*Pray for the \* Missionary this Week***

Eric & Judith Tuls – Operation Mobilization

Rev. Jerry An – Back to God Ministries

***\*Pastor Jeffery Hough – Angel Community Church***

Paul & Charlotte Mpindi–Mission French Africa

Charles & Hensel Oh – Japan



### ALLEN AVENUE CARE LIST

- 1) Betty TenBrink                    \*Please call or send a card
- 2) **Ro VerHeul**                    to Care List Member, Ro!
- 3) Joel Stefanits                    1249 Lakeshore Dr., Apt. 339
- 4) Wilma Doctor                    Muskegon, MI 49441

***Heavenly Father, thank you for your great care for our loved ones on the care list. Today, we come to you and ask you to shine Your light into the lives of these dear people. Reveal Yourself as their Protector, Provider, & King. You overcame sin and death on the cross, and we pray that your victory will surround our loved ones and offer them hope and peace and Your love! Amen!***



**A Warm Welcome  
to Our Visitors,  
Guests, & Members on  
Palm Sunday 2026!**

*"All glory laud and honor to you Redeemer King, to whom the lips of children made sweet Hosannas ring. You are the King of Israel and David's royal Son, now in the Lord's name coming, the King and blessed One! The people of the Hebrews with palms before you went; our praise and prayer and anthems before you we present!" Ride on, King Jesus!!!*

## COUNCIL & DENOMINATION NEWS

**The special offering on Palm Sunday, March 29, is for Resonate Global Missions.** Resonate Global Mission seeks to help our congregations explore our community, discover where God is moving, and join God on mission.

### **March Council Meeting Notes:**

1. The Education Committee reported that King's Kids VBS will be held at our location on July 27-31 with the theme "Spirit Power".
2. Our classical delegates reported on the February 26 meeting.
3. Classis meets again on May 5 in Spring Lake. Pastor Mark, Bob Holwerda, and Amber Johnson will serve as delegates.
4. A membership transfer request from Dave & Lis Miedema was approved. Documents have been sent to Haven CRC of Zeeland. May God bless you as you serve him in your new church home, Dave & Lis!
5. The council members spent time in prayer for the Lord's guidance regarding the future use of our church parsonage / education center.
6. The congregations of Angel and Celebration Churches have been invited to join us for worship on Maundy Thursday.
7. The Building Committee reported that the floors in our kitchen, lounge, and fellowship room have been stripped and waxed.
8. Council meets again on April 22. 6pm-Elders/Deacons. 7pm-Full Council.

### **Upcoming Church Calendar Dates:**

1. Thursday, April 2—Maundy Thursday Service 7:00pm
2. Sunday, April 5—Easter Morning Continental Breakfast hosted by Congregational Life Committee 9:00-10:00am
3. Sunday, April 5—Easter Morning Worship Service 10:00am

## CHURCH ACTIVITIES & OPPORTUNITIES



**You've Got Mail!!!** Recently the church mailboxes in the lower level have been updated; and since adding new families, your mailbox location might have changed! Check this out and remember to utilize these mailboxes to send notes of encouragement, leave messages for your district members, send birthday cards, etc...all for FREE 😊 You're welcome!!!

**Muskegon Christian School** has been very blessed with members from AACRC watching staff kids during Monday staff meetings and faith integration training. We are prayerfully looking for volunteers on the following dates from 2:50-4:30pm: April 13, and May 4 & 11.

**THANK YOU SO MUCH for the way you supported our GEMS girls** and the GEMS ministry by purchasing baked goods last Sunday. We collected \$674.00 with some IOUs yet outstanding. That's HUGE!! The girls were very excited and are already giving their creative input on how we can tie in our theme (Walk on Water) with a special outing with the money we collected. Ideas involving the beach, a boat ride, and Michigan's Adventure (they have a water park there) were tossed around. We have had a great year with these girls! Again, your support of our GEMS program is greatly appreciated. Please continue to pray for us as the end of this season is fast approaching.

**GEMS** meet in the church basement on Wednesday, April 1, from 6:15 - 8:00pm for our last "regular" meeting. See you there!

**CONNECT** Group meets April 12 and 26 after church in the lounge downstairs.

If you haven't gotten to the **Love Cafe** yet, please put that on your calendar. It's a pay what you can restaurant with a job skills training program operated by Love INC. Just go to [lovecafemuskegon.com](http://lovecafemuskegon.com) to make reservations. It's located at 557 W. Western AND a new spring menu is out!

**Are you looking to donate** some furniture or household items or clothing or sporting goods or jewelry or wall decor or tools or just about anything else? **Dibs! on Resale** is happy to take what you would like to donate. Simply drop off your items Mon. - Sat. at our location just down the road from church at 1279 E. Apple. If you have furniture that needs to be picked up, give Dibs a call at 798-2252 and arrangements can be made. Also, come in and shop!! Proceeds from sales benefit Muskegon Christian School and WMCHS.

## PRAYER REQUESTS & THANKSGIVINGS

Warmest congrats to **Travis & Jasmine Snyder** as they welcomed **Kacey Nicole** on March 17 at 10:34am, 7 lbs, 1 oz., 19 ½ inches long! If you would like to bring them a meal in these next few weeks, please refer back to the your email from Meal Train or use this link: <https://mealtrain.com/2ry9km>

**Ron Friday** had another cardio version on March 23, and **Sandy Volkens** is having hip replacement on March 30. Pray for successful outcomes for both.

**WMC-Chris Ruiter**—a very busy time at the high school and middle school. We have spring sports going with the end of the semester this Friday. Also, we are hiring a principle as Chris transitions to Head of School. Interviews start in April.

**MCS-Nate Schout**— staff, students, parents-Praises to God for amazing things happening at MCS! We are again certified as a Michigan Evergreen School by EGLE (only 3.8% of all schools in Michigan achieved this) and are being featured in the Christian Schools International newsletter.

**Prayers for our children & their leaders:** We pray for each Sunday School teacher-Dale Johnson & Stephanie Hofman, Justin Wilson & Sue Sytsema. Thankful for Barb Malda for her Children in Worship lessons, for Jill Schuitema who sets up the schedule, Charry Snyder and those who help with Catechism, and for all those who help fill the nursery with love on Sundays. We give thanks for all our wonderful kids-infants to grade school to high school and college. We lift you all up in prayer and surround you with our love and support!

**Jim Malda's brother Bob** is home from Mary Free Bed after his back surgery and is now able to walk with a walker with no pain!!! His Parkinson's device is working, and he is scheduled for another adjustment in April.

**Mike Fongers** is battling a nasty head cold. Prayers for a quick recovery. Also for Paul's Place. May the new resident be a good fit and the Lord provide three more residents to fill the new space.

**Charry Synder's father, Orven Nicholes** continues to fight heart and kidney issues. Lord, please give the doctors wisdom as they treat him.

Continue to pray for **Melissa Vlasma's dad Steve** who is extremely fatigued, weak, and experiencing abdominal pain. May God hold them all so close.

Blessings, reflection, and experiencing God like never before during Holy Week!