



January 14, 2024

9:30 a.m.

**FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH (DISCIPLES OF CHRIST)**



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# SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Sunday, January 14, 2024

## Joys and Concerns

Shawn Quick

*In order to respect privacy, joys and concerns will be discussed before the public livestream. Please fill out a prayer request form and place in the offering tray during communion.*

## Welcome and Announcements

John Daniel, Elder

*If you are joining Sunday worship via Facebook Live, let us know you are tuning in by leaving a comment on the live stream video or visit [fccbutler.org](http://fccbutler.org) and click the Register Attendance button.*

## **WE GATHER TO PRAISE GOD**

### Prelude

Mary Coffman, Accompanist

*Bringing the Light of Christ into the Sanctuary*

### \*Call to worship (please rise as able)

John Daniel & Congregation

L: Come, all who await God's coming; there is good news of great joy!

**P: God has come among us in a baby of humble birth.**

L: Our salvation has come; let heaven and earth rejoice!

**P: Give thanks to God's holy name, for God's light has dawned among us.**

L: Join the multitudes who sing, "Glory to God in the highest."

**P: God has redeemed us and calmed our fears;**

**we are God's own, sought out and not forsaken.**

### \*Opening Hymn

CH #33 (1,3,4)

"How Great Thou Art"

### \*Invocation

John Daniel & Congregation

**Almighty God, Creator and Ruler of all worlds,  
who in the beginning created light to dispel darkness:**

**We bless you for the light of your love  
seen in the face of Jesus Christ.**

**We worship and adore you with heartfelt thanks  
for the fulfillment in him of the promise of the ages.**

**Blessed are you, Lord God most holy,  
for you have visited and redeemed your people;  
and holy is your name. Amen.**

### Prayer Hymn

CH #64 (All)

"We Sing Your Mighty Power, O God" \* Please rise as able

## Silent Meditation

### Pastoral Prayer - "The Lord's Prayer"

Shawn Quick

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil; for Thine is the kingdom and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

### Musical Interlude

Mary Coffman

### Responsive Reading

John Daniel & Congregation

Psalm 148:1-2, 11-14 (*United Methodist Hymnal*)

L: Praise the LORD!

Praise the LORD from the heavens,  
praise the LORD, in the heights!

**P: Praise the LORD, all his angels,  
praise the LORD, all his hosts!**

L: Kings of the earth and all peoples,  
princes and all rulers of the earth!

**P: Young men and maidens together,  
old men and children!**

L: Let them praise the Name of the LORD,  
whose Name alone is exalted,  
whose glory is above earth and heaven.

**P: God has raised up a horn for his people,  
praise for all his faithful ones,  
for the people of Israel who are near their God.  
Praise the LORD!**

### Special Music

Adult Choir

"There Is a Redeemer"

### Scripture

Justin Quick

*Luke 2:22-39*

### Message

Shawn Quick

"Simeon and Anna"

### Invitation to Discipleship

Shawn Quick

### \*Invitation Hymn

CH #339 (All)

"Just As I Am, Without One Plea"

Musical Interlude Mary Coffman

Offering Meditation Diana Rich

Tithes & Offerings Diaconate  
*Offering trays will be passed in the pews.*

\*Doxology CH #47  
**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

\*Prayer of Dedication

Call to Communion Shawn Quick

Communion Hymn CH #416 (1,2,4)  
“Here, O My Lord, I see Thee Face to Face”

Words of Institution Shawn Quick

Communion Prayer

Distribution of the Elements Diaconate  
*Everyone is welcome at Christ’s Table. Those who are comfortable doing so, please come forward down the center aisle to partake at the table. Deacons will serve those who remain seated.*

**WE DEPART TO SERVE**

\*Benediction Shawn Quick  
*Taking the Light of Christ into the World*

\*Closing Hymn CH #445 (Once)  
“Go In Peace”

\* Please rise as able

**SERVING TODAY**

**Preaching:** Shawn Quick  
**Elder:** John Daniel  
**Deacons:** Judy Daniel,  
Sally Bremer

**Greeter:** Carol Roberts  
**Scripture Reader:** Justin Quick  
**Choir Director:** Carol Ann Winburn  
**Accompanist:** Mary Coffman

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

• **OUTREACH MISSION**

This January, we will be supporting the Community Food Pantry. The donation focus is paper products, like Kleenex, paper towels, diapers, and toilet paper. Bring donations to the church throughout this month. Thank you!

• **KETCH-UP CAMPAIGN**

The Stewardship Committee started a “Ketch-up” campaign to help replenish the FCC reserve fund. The goal is \$20,000. Please note on your donation that it is for the “Ketch-Up” campaign.

• **COMMUNITY CAFÉ**—Tuesday, January 16 @ 5:30 p.m.

• **BOARD MEETING**—Sunday, January 21 after worship service

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**THIS WEEK’S EVENTS**

Sunday, Jan. 14:	9:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	Worship Life Group
Tuesday, Jan 16:	5:30 p.m.	<b>Community Café</b>
Wednesday, Jan. 17:	6 p.m. 7 p.m.	Youth Group Choir Practice
Friday, Jan. 19:	9 a.m. - 12 p.m.	Son Shine Ladies

**NEXT WEEK’S EVENTS**

Sunday, Jan. 21:	9:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	Worship <b>Board Meeting</b>
Wednesday, Jan. 24:	6 p.m. 7 p.m.	Youth Group Choir Practice
Friday, Jan. 26:	9 a.m. - 12 p.m.	Son Shine Ladies