



April 14, 2024

9:30 a.m.

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



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# SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Sunday, April 14, 2024

## Joys and Concerns

Sharla Hulsey

*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

Diana Rich, 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)

Diana Rich & Congregation

L: The Lord is risen!

**P: He is risen indeed!**

L: Blessings to God, who gives hope in the darkness of our lives.

**P: Blessings to Jesus Christ, who reveals God's love unto the world.**

L: Blessings to the Holy Spirit, who empowers us to be Christ's body, serving and healing in his name.

**P: Blessings, honor, and glory to God, today and forever. Amen.**

### \*Opening Hymn

CH #233 (All)

"Alleluia! Sing to Jesus"

### \*Invocation

Diana Rich & Congregation

**Blessing and honor and glory and power be yours, almighty God, forever and ever. Mighty God, we have no words that can express your power and our awe. All creation sings the glory of your risen and victorious Son, who has set us free from the power of sin and death. We have no words that can express your power and our awe; but with adoring hearts we now affirm: Christ is risen! You raised him from the dead. Alleluia! Amen.**

### Prayer Hymn

CH #227 (All)

"In the Garden"

### Silent Meditation

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

Sharla Hulsey

**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

Diana Rich & Congregation

Psalm 116:1-2, 5-9 (*Chalice Hymnal*)

L: I love the LORD, who has heard my voice and my supplications.

**P: Because you listened to me, I will call on you as long as I live.**

L: Gracious is the LORD, and righteous; our God is merciful.

**P: The LORD protects the simple; when I was brought low, God saved me.**

L: Return, O my soul, to your rest,

**P: for the LORD has dealt bountifully with you.**

L: For you have delivered my soul from death, my eyes from tears, my feet from stumbling.

**P: I walk before the LORD in the land of the living.**

### Special Reading

Jennifer Schemhl

"The Gift of Gratitude" by Debbie Rockwell

### Scripture

Lyssa Lile

*Acts 3:1-10*

### Message

Sharla Hulsey

"Notice"

### Invitation to Discipleship

Sharla Hulsey

### \*Invitation Hymn

CH #224 (All)

"Christ Arose!"

### Musical Interlude

Mary Coffman

### Offering Meditation

Diana Rich

Tithes & Offerings

*Offering trays will be passed in the pews.*

Diaconate

\*Doxology

**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.**

CH #47

\*Prayer of Dedication

Diana Rich

Call to Communion

Sharla Hulsey

Communion Hymn

CH #467 (All)

“Fill the World with Love”

Words of Institution

Sharla Hulsey

Communion Prayer

Diana Rich

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

*Taking the Light of Christ into the World*

Sharla Hulsey

\*Closing Hymn

“Christ the Lord Is Risen Today”

CH #216 (v.4)

\* Please rise as able

**SERVING TODAY**

**Pastor:** Sharla Hulsey

**Elder:** Diana Rich

**Deacons:** Derek Lile,  
Jennifer Schmehl

**Greeter:** The Lile family

**Scripture Reader:** Lyssa Lile

**Choir Director:** Carol Ann Winburn

**Accompanist:** Mary Coffman

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

• **OUTREACH MISSION**

This April, we will be supporting the Community Food Pantry with donations of *personnel hygiene products*. Examples: Individual toothbrushes/toothpaste, deodorant, bar soap/bodywash, shampoo/conditioner, denture products, disposable razors. Bring donations to the church throughout the 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.

• **ELDERS MEETING** - Today after worship

• **CAMP RALLY** - Today, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. at Camp Galilee in El Dorado, Missouri. All participants need to be at the church prior to the scheduled leave time of 1:30 p.m.

• **COMMUNITY CAFÉ** - Tuesday, April 16 @ 5:30 p.m.

• **BOARD MEETING** - Sunday, April 21 after worship

**THIS WEEK’S EVENTS**

Sunday, Apr. 14:	9:30 a.m.	Worship
	10:30 a.m.	Life Group
		<b>Elders Meeting</b>
	3 p.m. - 6 p.m.	<b>Camp Rally</b>
Tuesday, Apr. 16:	5:30 p.m.	<b>Community Café</b>
Wednesday, Apr. 17:	6:00 p.m.	Youth Group
	7:00 p.m.	Choir Practice
Friday, Apr. 19:	9 a.m. - 12 p.m.	Son Shine Ladies

**NEXT WEEK’S EVENTS**

Sunday, Apr. 21:	9:30 a.m.	Worship
	10:30 a.m.	<b>Board Meeting</b>
Wednesday, Apr. 24:	6:00 p.m.	Youth Group
	7:00 p.m.	Choir Practice
Friday, Apr. 26:	9 a.m. - 12 p.m.	Son Shine Ladies