

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH (DISCIPLES OF CHRIST)



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SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Sunday, May 19, 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

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 and click the Register Attendance button.

WE GATHER TO PRAISE GOD

<u>Prelude</u>

Mary Coffman & Lynda Perkins

Bringing the Light of Christ into the Sanctuary

*Call to worship (please rise as able) John Daniel & Congregation

- L: When the day of Pentecost had come, the disciples were waiting and praying together.
- P: Come, Holy Spirit, and fill this place.
- L: And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a mighty wind.
- P: Come, Wind of God, and blow among us.
- L: And tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them.
- P: Come, Flame of Love, and burn in our hearts.
- L: The day of Pentecost has come, and the Spirit comes to revive us again!
- P: Welcome, Sweet Spirit, to our holy sanctuary!

*Opening Hymn

CH #261 (1,2)

"Sweet, Sweet Spirit"

*Invocation John Daniel & Congregation Sweet Holy Spirit, come and fill us with your loving power. Teach us the truth about Jesus Christ as we hear the words of Scripture, as we pray together, and as we gather in his presence at his Table. Blow the cobwebs and dust out of the corners of our hearts, and replace it with the gifts you have chosen for us, that we might work energetically for the common good of the body of Christ. When we leave this place, may we be revived anew and ready to be ministers of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Amen.

Prayer Hymn

CH #259 (twice)

"Spirit of the Living God"

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

John Daniel & Congregation

Joel 2:23a, 27-32a (NRSV)

- L: O children of Zion, be glad
- P: and rejoice in the LORD your God...
- L: You shall know that I am in the midst of Israel, and that I, the LORD, am your God and there is no other.
- P: And my people shall never again be put to shame.
- L: Then afterward
 I will pour out my spirit on all flesh;
- P: your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, and your young men shall see visions.
- L: Even on the male and female slaves, in those days I will pour out my spirit.
- P: I will show portents in the heavens and on the earth, blood and fire and columns of smoke.
- L: The sun shall be turned to darkness, and the moon to blood, before the great and terrible day of the LORD comes.
- P: Then everyone who calls on the name of the LORD shall be saved.

<u>Special Music</u>

Adult Choir

"Filled with the Glory" by Nancy Price and Don Besig

<u>Scripture</u>

Jennifer Schmehl

1 Corinthians 12:1-13

<u>Message</u>

Sharla Hulsey

"We're one, but we're not the same"

Invitation to Discipleship

Sharla Hulsey

*Invitation Hymn CH #248 (All)

"Come, Holy Spirit, Heavenly Dove"

<u>Musical Interlude</u> Mary Coffman

Offering Meditation Diana Rich

<u>Tithes & Offerings</u> Diaconate

Offering trays will be passed in the pews.

*<u>Doxology</u> 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 John Daniel

<u>Call to Communion</u> Sharla Hulsey

Communion Hymn CH #265 (1,3,4)

"Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart"

Words of Institution Sharla Hulsey

Communion Prayer John Daniel

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 Sharla Hulsey

Taking the Light of Christ into the World

*Closing Hymn CH #263 (1)

"Surely the Presence of the Lord"

* Please rise as able

SERVING TODAY

Pastor: Sharla Hulsey
Greeter: Carol Hedrick
Elder: John Daniel
Scripture Reader: Jennifer Schmehl
Choir Director: Carol Ann Winburn
Sally Bremer
Accompanist: Mary Coffman

ANNOUNCEMENTS

• OUTREACH MISSION

This May, we will be supporting the Community Food Pantry with donations of *lunch type food items*. Examples: canned tuna/chicken, peanut butter, jelly, ramen, canned soup, and canned pasta. 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.

• Pentecost Special Offering

Your gifts to the 2024 Pentecost Offering, received in most congregations on Sunday, May 12, and Sunday, May 19, are divided equally between your regional ministry, which supports local new churches, and New Church Ministry, which trains, equips, and assists emerging leaders to be "movement initiators."

- **BOARD MEETING** Today after Worship
- Community Café Tuesday, May 21 at 5:30 p.m.
- MEMORIAL DAY/OFFICE CLOSED Monday, May 27

THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

Sunday, May 19:	9:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	Worship Board Meeting
Tuesday, May 21:	5:30 p.m.	Community Café
Wednesday, May 22:	7:00 p.m.	Choir Practice
Friday, May 24:	9 a.m 12 p.m.	Son Shine Ladies

NEXT WEEK'S EVENTS

Sunday, May 26:	9:30 a.m.	Worship
	10:30 a.m.	Life Group

Monday, May 27: Memorial Day/Office Closed
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Wednesday, May 29: 7:00 p.m. Choir Practice

Friday, May 31: 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. Son Shine Ladies



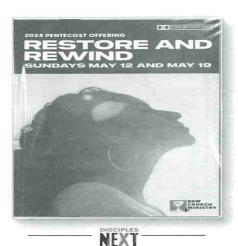






THE 2024 PENTECOST OFFERING IS A SPECIAL OFFERING IN SUPPORT OF THE NEW CHURCH MOVEMENT IN YOUR REGION AND ACROSS THE CHRISTIAN CHURCH (DISCIPLES OF CHRIST).

RESTORE AND REWIND



When it comes to church, we have a lot of negative tapes playing in our heads:

"Church is judgmental."
"Church is hypocritical."
"They think they're better than everyone else."

It's time for restoration. Time to rewind the tape.

New Church Ministry is dedicated to fostering faithful communities marked by deep Christian spirituality and a passion for God's love and justice.

Like our ancestors, we're going back to the beginning, when new Christian communities gathered together and shared all they had, organizing everything around the Spirit's dreams for their lives and their communities.

Yesterday, today, and tomorrow, God is singing a new song: not a song of judgment, but of welcome and forgiveness; not a song of superiority, but of humility and grace; not a song of hoarding, but of sharing everything we have!

God's movement for wholeness is already underway. Our job is to listen, and learn, and follow - supporting leaders and communities as the Spirit calls them into being, laying down a new song for a new generation.

Church as a place of generosity and justice. Church as a movement for wholeness in a fragmented world.

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REWIND TO WHOLENESS



