

PRAY FOR OUR CHURCH

"God, let our church be a great influence in our community through our VBS. We want your perfect love to be at the foundation of our city, and we pray that we spread your love. Let our doors be open and our hearts be welcoming to all kids and their families. Let your goodness shine through us."



Dates: Wednesday, July 17 & Thursday, July 18

Time: 5:30 p.m.—8:30 p.m.



June 16, 2024 9:30 a.m.

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH (DISCIPLES OF CHRIST)



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SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Sunday, June 16, 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

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 and click the Register Attendance button.

WE GATHER TO PRAISE GOD

Prelude

Mary Coffman & Lynda Perkins

Bringing the Light of Christ into the Sanctuary

*Call to worship (please rise as able)

Diana Rich & Congregation

L: As a shepherd seeks a lost sheep,

P: so God seeks and saves the lost.

L: Like a woman who searches for a lost coin until it is found,

P: so God rejoices over one soul restored to wholeness.

L: As a father receives a returning wayward child,

P: so God welcomes us, and lets the past be the past.

L: Therefore, let us praise God in thanksgiving that we are received.

P: Let us receive and welcome and rejoice over one another in the name of Jesus Christ.

*Opening Hymn

CH #59 (All)

“This Is My Father’s World”

*Invocation

Diana Rich & Congregation

O God, who loved us enough to send your Son to live among us, help us to celebrate today that your great love continues to reach out toward us, whether we are steadfastly faithful or have gone astray. Help us to rejoice with you when the lost are found, and to welcome one another into your loving and gracious presence here and wherever we may go this week. In the name of Jesus Christ your Son. Amen.

Father’s Day Recognition

Lyssa Lile

“Heavenly Father, About My Dad”
by Jennifer Graham Jolly

Jennifer Schmehl

Prayer Hymn

CH #570 (All)

“Sweet Hour of Prayer!”

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

Diana Rich & Congregation

Psalm 32:1-6a, 11 (*Chalice Hymnal*)

L: Happy are those whose transgression is forgiven,
whose sin is covered.

**P: Happy are those to whom God imputes no iniquity,
and in whose spirit there is no deceit.**

L: While I kept silence, my body wasted away
through my groaning all day long.

**P: For day and night your hand was heavy upon me;
my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer.**

L: Then I acknowledged my sin to you,
and I did not hide my iniquity.

**P: I said, “I will confess my transgressions to God,”
and you forgave the guilt of my sin.**

L: Therefore let all who are faithful
offer prayer to you...

**P: Be glad in God and rejoice, O righteous,
and shout for joy, all you upright in heart.**

Special Music

Adult Choir

“It Is Good to Sing Thy Praise”

Scripture

Luke 15:11-32

Shawn Quick

Message

“A Father’s Love”

Shawn Quick

Invitation to Discipleship

Shawn Quick

*Invitation Hymn CH #560 (All)
 “Leaning on the Everlasting Arms”

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 Diana Rich

Call to Communion Shawn Quick

Communion Hymn CH #408 (All)
 “Come, Share the Lord”

Words of Institution Shawn Quick

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 Shawn Quick
Taking the Light of Christ into the World

*Closing Hymn CH #635 (1)
 “Faith of Our Fathers”

* Please rise as able

SERVING TODAY

Pastor: Sharla Hulsey
Elder: Diana Rich
Deacons: Steve Hedrick,
 Bob Thomas

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **OUTREACH MISSION**
 This June, we will be supporting the Carpenter’s Cup and the Bates County Health Center with donations for the Back to School Project. Our contributions will be crayons, colored pencils, Kleenex, and backpacks. 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.
- **COMMUNITY CAFÉ** – Tuesday, June 18 @ 5:30 p.m.
- **BOARD MEETING** - Sunday, June 23 after worship
- **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**
 - Wednesday, July 17 & Thursday, July 18 from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m.
 - 4 years of age to completion of 5th grade

THIS WEEK’S EVENTS

Sunday, June 16:	9:30 a.m.	Worship
Tuesday, June 18:	5:30 p.m.	Community Café
Wednesday, June 19:	7:00 p.m.	Choir Practice
Friday, June 21:	9 a.m. - 12 p.m.	Son Shine Ladies

NEXT WEEK’S EVENTS

Sunday, June 23:	9:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	Worship Board Meeting
Monday, June 24 :	9 a.m. & 1 p.m.	4H Fashion Revue & Speaking
Wednesday, June 26:	7:00 p.m.	Choir Practice
Friday, June 28:	9 a.m. - 12 p.m.	Son Shine Ladies