



September 29, 2024 9:30 a.m.

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



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# SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Sunday, September 29, 2024

## Joys and Concerns

Sharla Hulsey

*In order to respect privacy, joys and concerns will be discussed before the public livestream. If you need to add someone, please fill out a prayer request form and place in the offering tray as it is passed.*

## 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

*Bringing the Light of Christ into the Sanctuary*

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

Diana Rich & Congregation

(from *New American Haggadah*)

L: Hallelujah: sing praises, servants of the Lord,  
sing praises of the Lord's name!

**P: May the name of the Lord be blessed,  
now and forever.**

L: From the sun's eastern rise and on to its westering  
be praised the name of the Lord.

**P: Poised above all other nations is the Lord,  
over the heavens rests his honor.**

### \*Opening Hymn

Chalice Hymnal #16 (all)

*"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"*

### \*Invocation

Diana Rich & Congregation

**Holy God, open your Word to us; teach us your ways. Send your Spirit to show us your will, help us to risk, and empower us to trust you. Hear us as we remember and celebrate how you have delivered us from bondage; in the name of Christ we pray. Amen.**

### Prayer Hymn

CH #572 (vv. 1, 2, 4)

*"Take Time to Be Holy"*

### 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 116:5-9, 12-13 (*Chalice Hymnal*)

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.**

L: What shall I return to the LORD  
for all God's bounty to me?

**P: I will lift up the cup of salvation  
and call on the Name of the LORD.**

## Special Music

Adult Choir

*"The Gift of Love"*

## Scripture

Lyssa Lile

*Exodus 12:1-13; 13:3-8*

## Message

Sharla Hulsey

*"Why is this night different from other nights?"*

## Invitation to Discipleship

Sharla Hulsey

## \*Invitation Hymn

CH #339 (all)

*"Just As I Am, Without One Plea"*

## Musical Interlude

Mary Coffman

## Offering Meditation

Don Malan

Tithes & Offerings

*Offering trays will be passed in the pews.*

Diaconate

\*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

Sharla Hulsey

Communion Hymn

*“All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly”*

CH #419 (all)

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

*“Precious Name”*

CH #625 (v. 1)

\* 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** - The Outreach Department invites us to continue supporting the Community Food Pantry with our donations. This month, let’s focus on bringing paper products, like Kleenex, paper towels, and toilet paper. Bring your 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. Please note on your donation that it is for the “Ketch-Up” campaign.
- **DISCIPLES WOMEN** - Tuesday, October 1 @ 6:30 p.m.
- **COLE HAYRIDE & WEENIE ROAST** - Saturday, October 5 @ 5 p.m. Join us for a night of fellowship and fun at the home of Don and Debbie Cole. Bring a lawn chair, and a covered dish to share. Don’t miss out on this chance to make memories with your church family!

**THIS WEEK’S EVENTS**

Sunday, Sept. 29:	9:30 a.m.	Worship
	10:30 a.m.	Life Group
Tuesday, Oct. 1:	6:30 p.m.	<b>Disciples Women</b>
Wednesday, Oct. 2:	6 p.m.	Youth Group
	7 p.m.	Choir Practice
Friday, Oct. 4:	9 a.m. - 12 p.m.	Son Shine Ladies
Saturday, Oct. 5:	5 p.m.	<b>Cole Hayride &amp; Weenie Roast</b>

**NEXT WEEK’S EVENTS**

Sunday, Oct. 6:	9:30 a.m.	Worship
	10:30 a.m.	Life Group
Wednesday, Oct. 9:	6 p.m.	Youth Group
	7 p.m.	Choir Practice
Friday, Oct. 11:	9 a.m. - 12 p.m.	Son Shine Ladies