

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH (DISCIPLES OF CHRIST)



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SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Sunday, November 3, 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

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.

Birthdays and Anniversaries

Phyllis McBrayer

Mary Coffman

John Daniel. Elder

WE GATHER TO PRAISE GOD

Prelude

Bringing the Light of Christ into the Sanctuary

*Call to worship (please rise as able)

John Daniel & Congregation

- L: I will bless the LORD at all times; God's praise shall continually be in my mouth.
- P: My soul makes its boast in the LORD; let the humble hear and be glad.
- L: O magnify the LORD with me;
- P: Let us exalt God's Name together.

*<u>Opening Hymn</u> *"Jesus Calls Us O'er the Tumult"* CH #337 (vv. 1, 3, 5)

*<u>Invocation</u> John Daniel & Congregation O God, let our prayers come before you this morning, just as you heard Jonah in the belly of the fish. Hear us, and deliver us from being ensnared by our own defiance and desire to make our enemies your enemies. Show us your great love and compassion for all of your people. Amen.

All Saints ObservanceSharla Hulsey & John DanielPrayer HymnCH #602 (vv. 1, 3, 4)

"O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee"

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

Responsive Reading

Jonah 2:2-3, 5-6 (NRSV)

- L: I called to the LORD out of my distress, and he answered me;
- P: out of the belly of Sheol I cried, and you heard my voice.
- L: You cast me into the deep, into the heart of the seas, and the flood surrounded me; all your waves and your billows passed over me.
- P: The waters closed in over me; the deep surrounded me; weeds were wrapped around my head at the roots of the mountains.
- L: I went down to the land whose bars closed upon me forever;
- P: yet you brought up my life from the Pit, O LORD my God.

Special Music	(())	Adult Choir
<u>Scripture</u>	Jonah 1:1-17; 3:1—4:11	Carol Hedrick
<u>Message</u>	"More Than a Fish Story"	Sharla Hulsey
Invitation to Discipleship		Sharla Hulsey
*Invitation Hymn	"Where He Leads Me"	CH #346 (all)
Musical Interlude		Mary Coffman

Mary Coffman

John Daniel & Congregation

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2024 All Saints Memorial

November 1 is *All Saints Day*, when we remember all the Christians who have received their Heavenly reward. Today we remember all those from our church family who have passed away since last *All Saints Day*.

Deloris Baldwin	Gene Morrison
Frank Baldwin	Christina Quick
Marcella Dines	

Also remember before God these beloved family members.

Nick Alkire	Denise Hagberg
Neoma Anderson	Mikey Lemm
Jo Beers	Betty Lewis
Glenn Casto	Bill McElwain
Monty "Joe" Christopher	Gary Roberts
Robert Christopher	Zeb Robertson
Derry Ferguson	

May their memories be a blessing.

Scripture: *Hebrews 12:1-2*

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

Litany of Remembrance (next page)

Prayer (unison)

Blessed and praised, glorified and exalted, extolled and honored, adored and lauded be the name of the Holy One, blessed be He, beyond all the blessings and hymns, praises and consolations that are ever spoken in the world.

May His great name be blessed forever and to all eternity.

Lord our God, Ruler of the Universe, bless all your saints now and through eternity. By your mercy and unalterable love, gather all your saints together unto yourself: those who have taken you for their strength, those who have served you with sacrifice, those who have offered you thanks and praise. May all the departed saints rejoice in the New Jerusalem of grace and peace, and praise you among the choirs of the blessed, in joy without end; and may we one day be reunited with them in your eternal Kingdom. Amen.

A Litany of Remembrance

by Rabbis Sylvan Kamen and Jack Riemer, 1970

- L: At the rising sun and at its going down;
- **P:** We remember them.
- L: At the blowing of the wind and in the chill of winter;
- **P:** We remember them.
- L: At the opening of the buds and in the rebirth of spring;
- **P:** We remember them.
- L: At the blueness of the skies and in the warmth of summer;
- **P:** We remember them.
- L: At the rustling of the leaves and in the beauty of the autumn;
- **P:** We remember them.
- L: At the beginning of the year and when it ends;
- P: We remember them.
- L: As long as we live, they too will live,
- P: for they are now a part of us as we remember them.
- L: When we are weary and in need of strength;
- **P:** We remember them.
- L: When we are lost and sick at heart;
- **P:** We remember them.
- L: When we have decisions that are difficult to make;
- **P:** We remember them.
- L: When we have joy we crave to share;
- **P:** We remember them.
- L: When we have achievements that are based on theirs;
- **P:** We remember them.
- L: For as long as we live, they too will live,
- P: for they are now a part of us as we remember them.

Offering Meditation

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

*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.

*Prayer of Dedication

John Daniel

Sharla Hulsey

Diana Rich

Diaconate

CH #47

Call to Communion

Communion Hymn CH #621 (vv. 1, 2, 4) "'Are Ye Able.' Said the Master"

Words of Institution

Sharla Hulsey

John Daniel

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 Taking the Light of Christ into the World

*Closing Hymn

"Blessed Assurance"

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **OUTREACH MISSION** For November, we will be collecting 460lbs of russet potatoes for the Community Food Pantry. Donations can be either 5lb or 10lb sacks of potatoes. Bring donations to the church. 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.
- **CONGREGATIONAL MEETING** Sunday, November 3 after Worship •
- **DISCIPLES WOMEN** Tuesday, November 5 @ 6:30 p.m.
- SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10 Rev. Joe Mack, from the Legacy Christian Church in Lee's Summit, will be filling the pulpit.
- **ELDERS MEETING** Sunday, November 10 after Worship

THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

Sharla Hulsey	Sunday, Nov. 3:	9:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	Worship (All Saints) Congregational Mtg. Life Group
	Tuesday, Nov. 5:	6:30 p.m.	Disciples Women
CH #543 (refrain)	Wednesday, Nov. 6:	6 p.m. 7 p.m.	Youth Group Choir Practice
	Friday, Nov. 8:	9 a.m 12 p.m.	Son Shine Ladies
	NEXT WEEK'S EVENTS		
	Sunday, Nov. 10:	9:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	Worship Life Group Elders Meeting
reeter: Bob Thomas ader: Carol Hedrick Carol Ann Winburn nist: Mary Coffman	Wednesday, Nov. 13:	6 p.m. 7 p.m.	Youth Group Choir Practice
	Friday, Nov. 15:	9 a.m 12 p.m.	Son Shine Ladies

SERVING TODAY

Pastor: Sharla Hulsey Elder: John Daniel Deacons: Judy Daniel, Sally Bremer

Greeter: Bob Thoma Scripture Reader: Carol Hedric Choir Director: Carol Ann Winbu Accompanist: Mary Coffma