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SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Sunday, January 19, 2025

Joys and Concerns

Rev. 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.

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

L: Come now to worship God with justice and truth.

**P: Let us speak the truth to one another,
rendering true judgments that make for peace.**

L: Let justice roll down like waters,
and righteousness like an everflowing stream.

**P: Teach us to do good, seek justice,
rescue the oppressed, defend the helpless.**

L: Hear God's demand and promise:
Maintain justice, and do what is right,
for soon my salvation will come, and my deliverance be revealed.

*Opening Hymn

CH #464 (vv. 1, 4, 5)

"God of Grace and God of Glory"

*Invocation

Diana Rich & Congregation

**God, confront us in this time of worship.
Confront us with the fears we hold so tightly,
the favorite sins to which we cling.
Confront us with our closedness.
Knock at all the locked doors of our hearts.
Do not let us rest until you gain entrance.
Tell us the painful truth about ourselves
that we might receive the truth of Christ—the very truth that will set
us free. Amen.**

Prayer Hymn

CH #527 (vv. 1, 2, 4)

"More Love to Thee, O Christ"

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 146 (*Chalice Hymnal*)

L: Praise the LORD!

Praise the LORD, O my soul!

**P: I will praise the LORD as long as I live;
I will sing praises to my God all my life long.**

L: Do not put your trust in rulers,
in mortals, in whom there is no help.

**P: When their breath departs, they return to the earth;
on that very day, their plans perish.**

L: Happy are those whose help is the God of Israel,

P: whose hope is in the LORD their God,

L: who made heaven and earth,
the sea, and all that is in them;

**P: who keeps faith forever;
who executes justice for the oppressed;
who gives food to the hungry.**

L: The LORD sets the prisoners free;
and opens the eyes of the blind.

**P: The LORD lifts up those who are bowed down,
and loves the righteous.**

L: The LORD watches over the strangers,
and upholds the orphan and the widow,
but brings to ruin the way of the wicked.

**P: The LORD will reign forever,
your God, O Zion, for all generations.
Praise the LORD!**

Special Music

Adult Choir

"Sing Down, Chariot"

Scripture

Luke 4:14-30

Phyllis McBrayer

Message	Sharla Hulse
	<i>"Go On, Git!"</i>
<u>Invitation to Discipleship</u>	Sharla Hulse
* <u>Invitation Hymn</u>	CH #343 (vv. 1, 2, 4)
	<i>"Jesus Is Tenderly Calling Thee Home"</i>
<u>Musical Interlude</u>	Mary Coffman
<u>Offering Meditation</u>	Don Malan
<u>Tithes & Offerings</u>	Diaconate
	<i>Offering trays will be passed in the pews.</i>
* <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.
* <u>Prayer of Dedication</u>	Diana Rich
<u>Call to Communion</u>	Sharla Hulse
<u>Communion Hymn</u>	CH #330 (all)
	<i>"Alleluia! Hear God's Story"</i>
<u>Words of Institution</u>	Sharla Hulse
<u>Communion Prayer</u>	Diana Rich
<u>Distribution of the Elements</u>	Diaconate
	<i>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.</i>
	<u>WE DEPART TO SERVE</u>
* <u>Benediction</u>	Sharla Hulse
	<i>Taking the Light of Christ into the World</i>
* <u>Closing Hymn</u>	CH #434 (v. 1)
	<i>"God Be with You Till We Meet Again"</i>

SERVING TODAY

Pastor: Rev. Sharla Hulse
Elder: Diana Rich
Deacons: Derek Lile & Peggy Thomas

Greeter: Carol Roberts
Scripture Reader: Phyllis McBrayer
Choir Director: Carol Ann Winburn
Accompanist: Mary Coffman

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **OUTREACH MISSION** - As part of our ongoing efforts to support those in need, we are reaching out to ask for your help in contributing to our local Food Pantry. There is an ongoing need for essential paper products that can make a big difference for families in our community. We are currently seeking donations of the following items: Kleenex (facial tissues), diapers (all sizes), paper towels, toilet paper, and baby wipes. Bring you donations to the church throughout this month. Thank you!
- **KETCH-UP CAMPAIGN** - Every dollar counts and will make a significant impact. You can contribute online or through the offering plate during services. Together, we can "ketch-up" and reach our goal to strengthen the future of FCC. Thank you for your ongoing commitment to our church family!
- **BOARD MEETING** - Today after Worship
- **COMMUNITY CAFE** - Tuesday, January 21 @ 5:30 p.m.

THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

Sunday, Jan. 19:	9:30 a.m.	Worship
	10:30 a.m.	Board Meeting
Tuesday, Jan. 21:	5:30 p.m.	Community Café
Wednesday, Jan. 22:	6 p.m.	Youth Group
	7 p.m.	Choir Practice
Friday, Jan. 24:	9 a.m. - 12 p.m.	Son Shine Ladies

NEXT WEEK'S EVENTS

Sunday, Jan. 26:	9:30 a.m.	Worship
	10:30 a.m.	Life Group
Wednesday, Jan. 29:	6 p.m.	Youth Group
	7 p.m.	Choir Practice
Friday, Jan. 31:	9 a.m. - 12 p.m.	Son Shine Ladies