



March 9, 2025 9:30 a.m.

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



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# SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Sunday, March 9, 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

Don Malan, 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)

Don Malan & Congregation

L: Hear, O people of God:  
the LORD is our God, the LORD alone.

**P: We shall love the LORD our God with all we are and all we have;  
and we shall love our neighbors as ourselves.**

L: We shall love one another as God first loved us:

**P: Merciful and gracious, profoundly faithful, utterly reliable;  
this is how God loves us.**

L: Let us worship the LORD our God.

### \*Opening Hymn

CH #190 (all)

*"Tell Me the Stories of Jesus"*

### \*Invocation

Don Malan & Congregation

**We gather here today, O God, to hear your word, to worship you and to remember and give honor to the name of your Son Jesus Christ, who demonstrated your love for the world through his life of servanthood and his death on the Cross. We gather because through Christ you have welcomed us all into your promised kingdom, where all are neighbors, and where we all live as Christ lived, in compassion and community. We gather to pray for our neighbors and for the day to come soon when your kingdom is fully realized on earth as in heaven. Hear our praises and our prayers. Amen.**

## Lenten Reading

Jennifer Schmehl

*"Judith - An Onlooker"*

from "Thy Kingdom Come" by Tracy Wells

## Prayer Hymn

CH #211 (all)

*"Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley"*

## 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

Don Malan & Congregation

Psalm 15:1-3, 5b (United Methodist Hymnal)

L: O Lord, who shall abide in your tent?  
Who shall dwell in your holy hill?

**P: The one who walks blamelessly, and does what is right,  
and speaks truth from the heart;**

L: who does not slander with the tongue,  
and does no evil to a friend,  
nor takes up a reproach against a neighbor...

**P: The one who does these things shall never be moved.**

## Special Music

Adult Choir

*"Just Two Words"*

## Scripture

Diana Rich

*Luke 10:25-42*

## Message

Sharla Hulsey

*"The only good Samaritan..."*

## Invitation to Discipleship

Sharla Hulsey

## \*Invitation Hymn

CH #349 (all)

*"My Jesus, I Love Thee"*

<u>Musical Interlude</u>	Mary Coffman
<u>Offering Meditation</u>	Diana Rich
<u>Tithes &amp; Offerings</u> <i>Offering trays will be passed in the pews.</i>	Diaconate
* <u>Doxology</u> <b>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.</b>	CH #47
* <u>Prayer of Dedication</u>	Don Malan
<u>Call to Communion</u>	Sharla Hulsey
<u>Communion Hymn</u> <i>"Take My Life"</i>	CH #609 (vv. 1, 3, 4, 6)
<u>Words of Institution</u>	Sharla Hulsey
<u>Communion Prayer</u>	Don Malan
<u>Distribution of the Elements</u> <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>	Diaconate

**WE DEPART TO SERVE**

* <u>Benediction</u> <i>Taking the Light of Christ into the World</i>	Sharla Hulsey
* <u>Closing Hymn</u> <i>"Go In Peace"</i>	CH #445 (Once)

**SERVING TODAY**

**Pastor:** Sharla Hulsey  
**Elder:** Don Malan  
**Deacons:** Derek Lile,  
 Bob Thomas

**Greeter:** Judy Taylor  
**Scripture Reader:** Diana Rich  
**Choir Director:** Carol Ann Winburn  
**Accompanist:** Mary Coffman

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- **OUTREACH MISSION** - We're thrilled to announce a new fundraiser to help send our kids to church camp this year! We will be using a *Cash Calendar* to raise the funds needed for this amazing opportunity. Look for the calendar in the church foyer or reach out to the church office for more details and to get involved.
- **KETCH-UP CAMPAIGN**  
Campaign Goal: \$20,000 Amount Raised: \$7,286
- **ELDERS MEETING** - Today after worship
- **LENTEN SERVICES** – Services begin on March 12 at 6 p.m. at the Church of the Nazarene. Meal served after service.
- **SUNDAY REFRESHMENTS** - March 16: Carol Lewis
- **BOARD MEETING** - Sunday, March 16 after Worship
- **COMMUNITY CAFÉ** - Tuesday, March 18 at 5:30 p.m.

**THIS WEEK'S EVENTS**

Sunday, Mar. 9:	9:30 a.m.	Worship
	10:30 a.m.	Life Group
		<b>Elders Meeting</b>
Wednesday, Mar. 12:	6 p.m.	Youth Group
	6 p.m.	<b>Lenten Service @</b>
		<b>Church of the Nazarene</b>
	7 p.m.	Choir Practice
Friday, Mar. 14:	9 a.m. - 12 p.m.	Son Shine Ladies

**NEXT WEEK'S EVENTS**

Sunday, Mar. 16:	9:30 a.m.	Worship
	10:30 a.m.	<b>Board Meeting</b>
Tuesday, Mar. 18:	5:30 p.m.	<b>Community Café</b>
Wednesday, Mar. 19:	6 p.m.	Youth Group
	6 p.m.	<b>Lenten Service @</b>
		<b>Church of the Nazarene</b>
	7 p.m.	Choir Practice
Friday, Mar. 21:	9 a.m. - 12 p.m.	Son Shine Ladies