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**Easter Services: April 20, 2025**

7 a.m. SonRise service at Butler City Lake (weather permitting)  
7:45 a.m. breakfast in OSUMC Fellowship Hall  
8:30 a.m. Service @ OSUMC, 10 a.m. Service @ RHUMC,  
11 a.m. Service @ VUMC

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**Easter Sunday Worship: April 20, 2025 @ 9:30 a.m.**



MAUNDY THURSDAY

APRIL 17, 2025

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



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# MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE

# REMEMBERING JESUS' FINAL HOURS

## Opening Song

Combined Choir

*"When Jesus Wept" - CH #199*

## \*Call to Worship

Pastor Julie Nelson & congregation

*Isaiah 53:3-6*

L: He was despised and rejected by others;  
a man of suffering and acquainted with infirmity;  
and as one from whom others hide their faces  
he was despised, and we held him of no account.

**P: Surely he has borne our infirmities and carried our diseases;  
yet we accounted him stricken,  
struck down by God, and afflicted.**

L: But he was wounded for our transgressions,  
crushed for our iniquities;

**P: upon him was the punishment that made us whole,  
and by his bruises we are healed.**

L: All we like sheep have gone astray;

**P: we have all turned to our own way,  
and the LORD has laid on him  
the iniquity of us all.**

## \*Opening Hymn

CH #200

*"What Wondrous Love Is This"*

## \*Invocation (unison)

Pastor Sharla Hulsey & congregation

Eternal God of mercy, we gather in awesome wonder to behold your loving gift of Jesus Christ, who, coming to bring the world to wholeness, was broken by it. Yet by his death we live and know your unbreakable love. As we gather to remember Christ's gift of fellowship at table, and to recall our frail failings of devotion, pierce our hearts with a conviction of our own betrayals, reassure us of your abiding presence, and transform us by the Spirit of Christ, who teaches us to pray, saying: Our Father...

## Lenten Reading

Elder Justin Quick

*"James - with a piece of bread"*  
from *"Thy Kingdom Come"* by Tracy Wells

## *The Last Supper*

### Hymn

CH #384

*"Here at Thy Table, Lord"*

### Scripture Reading

Julie Nelson

*Luke 22:1-23*

### Prayers at the Table

Sharla Hulsey & Julie Nelson

### Receiving the Elements

*Everyone is welcome at Christ's Table. Those who are comfortable doing so, please come forward down the center aisle, receive the bread, dip it into the cup, and return to seats via the side aisles. Deacons will serve those who remain seated.*

## *The Garden*

### Hymn

CH #196 (v. 1)

*"Go to Dark Gethsemane"*

### Scripture Reading

Sharla Hulsey

*Luke 22:39-46*

### Special Music

Combined Choir

*"Wait with Me"*

## *Arrest*

### Scripture Reading

Julie Nelson

*Luke 22:47-53*

### Brief Silent Reflection

### Scripture Reading

Sharla Hulsey

*Luke 22:54-62*

<u>Hymn</u> "Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley"	CH #211	<u>Scripture Reading</u> Luke 23:32-43	Sharla Hulsey
1 Jesus walked this lonesome valley, he had to walk it by himself; O, nobody else could walk it for him, he had to walk it by himself.		<u>Hymn</u> "Go to Dark Gethsemane"	CH #196 (v. 3)
2 Jesus went to stand his trial, he had to stand it by himself; O, nobody else could stand it for him, he had to stand it by himself.		<u>Scripture Reading</u> Luke 23:44-49	Julie Nelson
		<u>Brief Silent Reflection</u>	
		<u>Scripture Reading</u> Luke 23:50-56	Sharla Hulsey

**Trial**

<u>Hymn</u> "Go to Dark Gethsemane"	CH #196 (v. 2)	<u>Hymn</u> "Beneath the Cross of Jesus"	CH #197
<u>Scripture Reading</u> Luke 22:63—23:16	Julie Nelson	<u>Closing Prayer (unison)</u> At the foot of the cross, O God, we behold the Suffering Servant who gave his life as a sacrifice for many. For this we are deeply grateful. Empower us by Christ's Spirit to serve rather than be served—to lose ourselves in loving care for others. Amen.	Julie Nelson & congregation
<u>Brief Silent Reflection</u>			
<u>Hymn</u> "There Is a Redeemer"	BH #206 (vv. 1-2)	<u>Closing Song</u> "Go to Dark Gethsemane" (v. 4)	Sharla Hulsey

**Crucifixion**

<u>Scripture Reading</u> Luke 23:18-25	Sharla Hulsey	<i>Congregation departs in silence.</i>
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Brief Silent Reflection

<u>Scripture Reading</u> Luke 23:26-31	Julie Nelson
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Brief Silent Reflection

**SERVING TODAY**

**Pastors:** Sharla Hulsey and Julie Nelson  
**Choir Director:** Carol Ann Winburn  
**Accompanist:** Mary Coffman  
**Lenten Reading:** Justin Quick, Elder  
**Deacons:** Bob and Peggy Thomas  
**Greeter:** Judy Taylor and Carol Roberts