



April 26, 2026

9:30 a.m.

## FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH (DISCIPLES OF CHRIST)



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# SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Sunday, April 26, 2026

## Joys and Concerns

Sharla Hulsey

*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

Chuck Lewis, 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*

### Introit

Choir

*"He Is Lord"*

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

Chuck Lewis & Congregation

L: The Lord is risen!

**P: He is risen indeed!**

L: Sing praises to God, O you saints,  
and give thanks to God's holy name!

**P: We exalt you, O God,  
for you have restored us to life!**

L: We may cry through the night,  
but your joy comes with the morning.

**P: You hear us, O God,  
and you are gracious in our distress.**

L: You turn our mourning into dancing!

**P: Our souls cannot be silent!**

**O God, our Savior, we give thanks to you forever!**

### \*Opening Hymn

CH #225 (all)

*"I Know that My Redeemer Liveth"*

### \*Invocation

Chuck Lewis & Congregation

Lord Jesus, through our baptism we have become part of the ongoing story of your presence in this world. We gather here today in your

presence to be nourished by your Holy Spirit and to support one

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*\*Please rise as able*

another as we seek to live as your faithful followers. Hear our prayers and our praise, and equip us to be your hands and feet alive in the world. Amen.

### Prayer Hymn

CH #227 (all)

*"In the Garden"*

### 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

Chuck Lewis & Congregation

Psalm 96:1-6 (Chalice Hymnal)

L: O sing to the LORD a new song;  
sing to the LORD, all the earth.

**P: Sing to the LORD, bless God's Name;  
proclaim God's salvation from day to day.**

L: Declare God's glory among the nations,  
God's marvelous works among all the peoples.

**P: For great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised;  
to be revered above all gods.**

L: For all the gods of the peoples are idols,  
but the LORD made the heavens.

**P: Honor and majesty are before the LORD;  
in whose sanctuary are strength and beauty.**

### Special Music

Choir

### Scripture

Justin Quick

*John 21:20-25*

### Message

Sharla Hulsey

*"The Church Library"*

### Invitation to Discipleship

Sharla Hulsey

*\*Please rise as able*

* <u>Invitation Hymn</u> "O, How I Love Jesus"	CH #99 (all)
<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> 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.	CH #47
* <u>Prayer of Dedication</u>	Chuck Lewis
<u>Call to Communion</u>	Sharla Hulsey
<u>Communion Hymn</u> "Thine Is the Glory"	CH #218 (all)
<u>Words of Institution</u>	Sharla Hulsey
<u>Communion Prayer</u>	Chuck Lewis
<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
<b><u>WE DEPART TO SERVE</u></b>	
* <u>Benediction</u> <i>Taking the Light of Christ into the World</i>	Sharla Hulsey
* <u>Closing Hymn</u> "He Lives!"	CH #226 (Refrain)

*\*Please rise as able*

**Serving Today**

**Pastor:** Sharla Hulsey

**Elder:** Justin Quick

**Deacons:** Don & Debbie Cole

**Greeter:** Carol Roberts

**Scripture Reader:** Justin Quick

**Choir Director:** Carol Ann Winburn

**Accompanist:** Mary Coffman

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- **OUTREACH MISSION** - The April outreach project will support Faith Adventures, the camp ministry held at Camp Galilee. All funds collected through our Cash Calendar will go directly toward the camp's expenses and ongoing ministry needs. The Cash Calendar is easy to participate in: each day in April has a designated dollar amount, and you're invited to give that amount for that day—or any combination of days.
- **JASON BENNETT BENEFIT** - *Today @ Noon* at the Elks Lodge, 1000 Elks Dr, Butler.
- **FELLOWSHIP TACO BAR** - Join us on *Sunday, May 3*, for a time of food and fellowship. The Membership Department will be hosting a Taco Bar immediately following the service at approximately *10:45 a.m.*
- **MORNING REFRESHMENTS** - *Sunday, May 3*: Phyllis McBrayer

**THIS WEEK'S EVENTS**

Sunday, Apr. 26:	9:30 a.m.	Worship
	10:30 a.m.	Life Group
	12 p.m.	<b>Jason Bennett Benefit</b>
Wednesday, Apr. 29:	5 p.m.	Youth Group
	6 p.m.	Choir Practice

**NEXT WEEK'S EVENTS**

Sunday, May 3:	9:30 a.m.	Worship
	10:45 a.m.	<b>Taco Bar</b>
Tuesday, May 5:	6:00 p.m.	<b>Disciples Women</b>
Wednesday, May 6:	5 p.m.	Youth Group
	6 p.m.	Choir Practice