



October 18, 2026

9:30 a.m.

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH (DISCIPLES OF CHRIST)



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SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Joys and Concerns

Rev. 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

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

Introit

Mary Coffman & Choir

"Here We Gather as God's People"- CH #294

*Call to Worship (please rise as able)

Diana Rich & Congregation

(adapted from Psalm 70:1, 4)

L: Be pleased, O God, to deliver me.

P: O LORD, make haste to help me!

L: Let all who seek you, O God,
rejoice and be glad in you.

P: Let all who love your salvation
say again and again, "God is great!"

*Opening Hymn

CH #18 (vv. 1, 2, 4)

"All People That on Earth Do Dwell"

*Invocation

Diana Rich & Congregation

Help us this day, O God, to hear your voice calling out to us. As we enter into the story of your people, let your Spirit and your wisdom surround us and fill us. Let us choose again today to serve you, O LORD our God. Amen

Prayer Hymn

CH #577 (vv. 1, 3, 5)

"Nearer, My God, to 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

Mary Coffman

Responsive Reading

Diana Rich & Congregation

Psalm 34:15-22 (United Methodist Hymnal)

L: The eyes of the LORD are on the righteous;
the ears of the LORD hear their cry.

P: The face of the LORD is against evildoers,
to cut off the remembrance of them from the earth.

L: When the righteous cry for help, the LORD hears,
and delivers them out of all their troubles.

P: The LORD is near to the brokenhearted,
and saves the crushed in spirit.

L: Many are the afflictions of the righteous;
but the LORD delivers them.

P: The LORD keeps all their bones;
not one of them is broken.

L: Evil shall slay the wicked;
and those who hate the righteous will be condemned.

P: The LORD redeems the life of his servants;
none of those who take refuge in God will be condemned.

Special Music

FCC Choir

"Think About His Love"

Scripture

Lyssa Lile

Joshua 24:1-15

Message

Sharla Hulsey

"In This House, We Believe..."

Invitation to Discipleship

Sharla Hulsey

*Invitation Hymn

CH #346 (all)

"Where He Leads Me"

**Please rise as able*

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Musical Interlude

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

Call to Communion

Communion Hymn

"Standing on the Promises"

Words of Institution

Communion Prayer

Distribution of the Elements

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

"I Have Decided to Follow Jesus"

Mary Coffman
Diana Rich
Diaconate

CH #47

Diana Rich
Sharla Hulsey
CH #552 (vv. 1, 2, 4)

Sharla Hulsey
Diana Rich
Diaconate

Sharla Hulsey

CH #344 (vv. 1, 4)

**Please rise as able*

SERVING TODAY

Preaching: Rev. Sharla Hulsey

Elder: Diana Rich Deacons: Carol Hedrick & Lyssa Lile

Greeter: Lile family Scripture Reader: Lyssa Lile

Choir Director: Carol Ann Winburn Accompanist: Mary Coffman

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- OCTOBER OUTREACH MISSION - FCC will be collecting nonperishable food items for the local food pantry throughout the month of October. Suggested donation items include canned vegetables, canned fruit, soup, peanut butter, pasta, rice, cereal, boxed meals, and other nonperishable foods. Donations may be placed in the church foyer.
 - BOARD MEETING - *Today after worship*
 - COMMUNITY CAFÉ - *Tuesday, Oct. 20 @ 5:30 pm*
 - PASTORAL SUPPORT MEETING - *Thursday, Oct. 22 @ 5 pm*
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THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

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| ▪ Sunday, October 18: | 9:30 am | Worship |
| | 10:30 am | Board Mtg. |
| | 6 pm | Youth Group |
| ▪ Tuesday, October 20: | 5:30 pm | Community Café |
| ▪ Wednesday, October 21: | 6 pm | Choir Practice |
| ▪ Thursday, October 22: | 5 pm | Pastoral Support Mtg. |
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NEXT WEEK'S EVENTS

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| ▪ Sunday, October 25: | 9:30 am | Worship |
| | 10:30 am | Life Group |
| | 6 pm | Youth Group |
| ▪ Wednesday, October 28: | 6 pm | Choir Practice |