



October 4, 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

John Daniel, 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.

Birthdays and Anniversaries

Phyllis McBrayer

WE GATHER TO PRAISE GOD

Prelude

Mary Coffman

Bringing the Light of Christ into the Sanctuary

Introit

Mary Coffman & Choir

"How Great Thou Art" - CH #33 (refrain)

*Call to Worship (please rise as able)

John Daniel & Congregation

L: I will sing of your steadfast love, O God, forever.

P: With my mouth I will proclaim
your faithfulness to all generations.

L: I declare that your steadfast love is established forever;

P: your faithfulness is as firm as the heavens.

L: Let the heavens praise your wonders, O LORD,

P: your faithfulness in the assembly of the holy ones.

*Opening Hymn

CH #64 (all)

"We Sing Your Mighty Power, O God"

*Invocation

John Daniel & Congregation

LORD our God, you are the Almighty, the one who with a strong hand and mighty arm leads us forth from bondage into freedom. We bless your name and give you thanks for all your deeds of power. Turn us now to your presence and your Word among us, and continue to lead us as you led our ancestor Israel out of Egypt, through the sea and the wilderness, and into the Promised Land; and teach us to follow you faithfully. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

**Please rise as able*

Prayer Hymn

CH #576 (all)

"My Faith Looks Up 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

John Daniel & Congregation

Psalm 114 (United Methodist Hymnal)

L: When Israel went forth from Egypt,
the house of Jacob from a people of strange language,

P: Judah became God's sanctuary,
Israel God's dominion.

L: The sea looked and fled,
Jordan turned back.

P: The mountains skipped like rams,
the hills like lambs.

L: What ails you, O sea, that you flee?
O Jordan, that you turn back?

P: O mountains, that you skip like rams,
O hills, like lambs?

L: Tremble, O earth, at the presence of the LORD,
at the presence of the God of Jacob,

P: who turns the rock into a pool of water,
the flint into a spring of water.

Special Music

FCC Choir

"Unto Your Table, Lord" - CH #421

Scripture

Diana Rich

Exodus 14:5-7, 10-14, 21-29

Message

Sharla Hulsey

"Between the Devil and the Deep Blue Sea"

**Please rise as able*

Invitation to Discipleship

*Invitation Hymn

"Be Still, My Soul"

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

"An Upper Room with Evening Lamps Ashine"

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

"Go In Peace"

Sharla Hulsey

CH #566 (all)

Mary Coffman

Diana Rich

Diaconate

CH #47

John Daniel

Sharla Hulsey

CH #428 (vv. 1, 2, 4)

Sharla Hulsey

John Daniel

Diaconate

Sharla Hulsey

CH #445 (1)

**Please rise as able*

SERVING TODAY

Preaching: Rev. Sharla Hulsey

Elder: John Daniel **Deacons:** Judy Daniel & Everett McBrayer

Greeter: Bob & Peggy Thomas **Scripture Reader:** Diana Rich

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.
- **FELLOWSHIP DINNER**- Today, the Membership Department invites everyone to stay after worship.
- **ELDERS MEETING** - Sunday, October 11 after worship
- **DISCIPLES WOMEN** - Tuesday, October 13 at 6 pm
- **NOMINATING COMMITTEE MTG.** - Wednesday, October 14 @ 5 pm
- **BOARD MEETING** - Sunday, October 18 after worship
- **COMMUNITY CAFÉ** - Tuesday, October 20 @ 5:30 pm
- **PASTORAL SUPPORT MEETING** - Thursday, October 22 @ 5 pm

THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

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| ▪ Sunday, October 4: | 9:30 am | Worship |
| | 10:30 am | Fellowship Luncheon |
| | 6 pm | Youth Group |
| ▪ Wednesday, October 7: | 6 pm | Choir Practice |

NEXT WEEK'S EVENTS

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| ▪ Sunday, October 11: | 9:30 am | Worship |
| | 10:30 am | Life Group |
| | | Elders Mtg. |
| | 6 pm | Youth Group |
| ▪ Tuesday, October 13: | 6 pm | Disciples Women |
| ▪ Wednesday, October 14: | 5 pm | Nominating Cmt. Mtg. |
| | 6 pm | Choir Practice |

2026 Reconciliation Ministry

SPECIAL OFFERING

Sunday, September 27th - Sunday, October 4th



Beyond Restoration: Hope in Action

Will you not revive us again, so that your people may rejoice in you? Show us your steadfast love, O Lord, and grant us your salvation. Let me hear what God the Lord will speak, for the Lord will speak peace to God's people, to the faithful, to those who turn to God in their hearts. Surely salvation is at hand for those who fear God, that God's glory may dwell in our land. Steadfast love and faithfulness will meet; righteousness and peace will kiss each other.

Faithfulness will spring up from the ground, and righteousness will look down from the sky.

Psalm 85:6-11



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