



First Christian Church

(Disciples of Christ)

April 12th, 2026

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Welcome Visitors! We are excited that you have chosen to worship with us today; all are welcome and beloved—all races, gender identities, sexual orientations, socio-economic statuses, *everyone*.

I. Prelude (Nancy Thompson)

II. Ringing of the Bell

III. Welcome and Announcements – (Georgeanne Bennett)

- Today – Fellowship in Koinonia Hall following our worship service
- Tuesday – 9:30 a.m. Koinoina Krafters meet in Fireside; 10:45 a.m. Music Practice in Room 4
- Thursday – 8:30 a.m. Worship Team Breakfast at Cozy Diner; 6:30 p.m. Bible Study in our FCC Room 6, and Zoom
- Next Sunday – Prayer Commitment Sunday; Corning Sunday
- Please see the back of your bulletins for the calendar
- Offerings may be put on the offering plate near the bulletins near the sanctuary's entrance

IV. Greeting One Another

V. Opening Hymn – CH #86 “Great Is Thy Faithfulness” (Nancy Thompson)

Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father,
There is no shadow of turning with thee;
Thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not;
As thou hast been thou forever wilt be.

Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
All I have needed thy hand hath provided
Great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest,
Sun, moon and stars in their courses above,
Join with all nature in manifold witness
To thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.

Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
All I have needed thy hand hath provided
Great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
Thy own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!

Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;

All I have needed thy hand hath provided
Great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

VI. Call to Worship – (Georgeanne Bennett)

We gather before God, from whom every family in
heaven and on earth takes its name

**We come as God's people, rooted and grounded
in love.**

Christ dwells in our hearts through faith.

We open ourselves to God's presence among us.

Now the One who is able to accomplish far more
than we can ask or imagine -

Glory to God whose power is at work in us.

Let us worship God.

Let us worship with faith and hope.

VII. Children are Dismissed for Sunday School

VIII. Scripture Reading Psalm 16 (Laughing Bird) (Georgeanne Bennett)

Protect me, God,

you are my place of refuge.

I'm acknowledging you as the one in charge, LORD;
you are the best thing that's ever happened to
me.

I delight in the company of those
who dedicate themselves to you;
they are the salt of the earth.
Those who worship other things
will have nothing but grief.
I will not buy into their futile devotions;
I will not utter the names they revere.
You are all I want, LORD, and all I need;
you hold my future in your hands.
You mark out the best of everything for me;
you've set me up with a bright future.
I heap accolades on you, LORD,
for you always give me wise advice;
even in the dead of night
you fill my heart with your teachings.
I'll always stick close behind you, LORD;
with you near by,
I'll never be pushed off track.
You fill me with delight, LORD;
joy erupts from deep in my bones;
my body relaxes, safe in your care.
You'll never let the grave drag me down;
your faithful servants are never left for dead.
You set my feet on a life-giving track, LORD.
To be in your presence is absolute bliss.
All I could dream of comes from your hand.

**IX. Scripture Reading Ephesians 3:14-20
(NRSVUE) (Georgeanne Bennett)**

For this reason I bow my knees before the Father,
from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes
its name. I pray that, according to the riches of his
glory, he may grant that you may be strengthened in
your inner being with power through his Spirit and
that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as
you are being rooted and grounded in love. I pray that
you may have the power to comprehend, with all the
saints, what is the breadth and length and height and
depth and to know the love of Christ that surpasses
knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the
fullness of God.

Now to him who by the power at work within us is
able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we
can ask or imagine,

**X. Sermon -- "Imagine More" (Rev. Jesse
Kearns)**

**XI. Song of Invitation – CH #80 “My Shepherd
You Supply My Need” (Nancy
Thompson)**

My Shepherd, you supply my need;
most holy is your name;
in pastures fresh you make me feed,
beside the living stream.
You bring my wand’ring spirit back,
when I forsake your ways;
you lead me, for your mercy’s sake,
in paths of truth and grace.

When through the shades of death I walk,
your presence is my stay;
one word of your supporting breath
drives all my fears away.
Your hand, in sight of all my foes,
does still my table spread;
my cup with blessings overflows,
your oil anoints my head.

Your sure provisions, gracious God,
attend me all my days;
O may your house be my abode,
and all my work be praise.
Here would I find a settled rest,
while others go and come;
no more a stranger, nor a guest,
but like a child at home.

XII. Moments for Mission

**XIII. Prayers of the People
Lord’s Prayer**

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.

**XIV. Response CH # 306 “Hear Our Prayer, O
Lord” (Nancy Thompson)**

Hear our prayer, O Lord,
Hear our prayer, O Lord,
Incline Thine ear to us,
And grant us thy peace.
Amen.

**XV. Communion Song --CH #393 “One Bread,
One Body” (Nancy Thompson)**

One bread, one body, one Lord of all;
one cup of blessing which we bless.
And we, though many throughout the earth,
we are one body in this one Lord.

Gentile or Jew, servant or free,
woman or man, no more.

One bread, one body, one Lord of all;
one cup of blessing which we bless,
and we, though many throughout the earth,
we are one body in this one Lord.

Many the gifts, many the works,
one in the Lord of all.

One bread, one body, one Lord of all;
one cup of blessing which we bless,
and we, though many throughout the earth,
we are one body in this one Lord.

Grain for the fields, scattered and grown,
gathered to one, for all.

One bread, one body, one Lord of all;
one cup of blessing which we bless,
and we, though many throughout the earth,
we are one body in this one Lord.

**XVI. Institution of Communion (Mary Kearns,
elder)**

XVII. Partaking Communion Together

**XVIII. Blessing/Benediction (Rev. Jesse
Kearns)**

XIX. Postlude (Nancy Thompson)

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PRESENTS

AN EVENING OF INTERNATIONAL DESSERTS AND
DANCES FROM AROUND THE WORLD




APRIL 24TH 7PM TO 9PM
FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH
295 E WASHINGTON AVE, CHICO



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Be sure to wear your
Chapter Pin!



- **What is Communion?** Communion is a part of each Sunday morning where we remember the last meal that Jesus ate with the disciples by eating bread and drinking grape juice.
- **May I receive Communion?** Yes! Everyone is invited to receive -- we have no barrier to participating in communion.
- **What else should I know?** We'd love to share more of our loving and inclusive community with you. At FCC, you'll find all generations worshipping together and participating in church activities. We have activities for kids and youth, and we love to share in community together.
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- **Deadlines:** Sunday Bulletin-Wednesdays, 10 am; Callerito weekly email-Thursday 10 am; Caller, monthly newsletter-15th at noon.

Attendance: April 5th, 2026
 Online: 9 Sanctuary: 69 Total: 78

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Calendar for April 12th-19th, 2026

Sunday

- 8:30 a.m. Sacred Grounds Adult Faith Formation Christian Education, Room 6 & on [Zoom](#)
- 10:00 a.m. Worship in Sanctuary & Worship Streamed Live on [Zoom](#) & [Facebook](#)
- Fellowship, Koinonia Hall
- 1:00 p.m. Iglesia de Cristo Agua Viva, Sanctuary

Tuesday

- 9:30 a.m. Koinonia Krafters, Fireside
- 10:45 a.m. Music Practice, Room 4

Wednesday

- 10:00 a.m. Uplift Boutique (Free Family Resource)
- 6:00 p.m. BSA Troop 2, Fireside, Koinonia Hall

Thursday

- 8:30 am Worship Team Breakfast, Cozy Diner;
- 6:00 p.m. BSA Pack 2, Fireside, Koinonia Hall
- 6:30 p.m. Bible Study, Room 6 and Zoom

Saturday

- 10:00 a.m. Uplift Boutique (Free Family Resource)

Sunday

- 8:30 a.m. Sacred Grounds Adult Faith Formation Christian Education, Room 6 & on [Zoom](#)
- 10:00 a.m. Worship in Sanctuary & Worship Streamed Live on [Zoom](#) & [Facebook](#)
- **11:00 a.m. FCC Corning Service; leave Chico at 10:10**
- Fellowship, Koinonia Hall
- 1:00 p.m. Iglesia de Cristo Agua Viva, Sanctuary