



# THE RISKS OF BEING A PUBLIC FIGURE



FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH CHICO  
(DISCIPLES OF CHRIST)

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April 10th, 2022

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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 – (Joshua Hegg)

## II. Welcome and Announcements – (Joe Rogers)

- Tuesday - Koinonia Krafters in Fireside Room at 9:30 a.m.
- Tuesday - Check-in at 1:00 p.m. on Zoom
- Wednesday - Boy Scouts in K-Hall at 6:00 p.m.
- Thursday - NO Music practice.
- Thursday – Maundy Thursday Service at 7:00 p.m. in the sanctuary.
- Friday – Office Closed for Good Friday
- Sunday – Sunrise service in the parking lot at 7:00 a.m.
- Sunday - Sacred Grounds at 9:00 a.m. on Zoom and Room 6 (might be canceled).
- Sunday – Worship at 10:00 a.m. in the sanctuary, Zoom, and Facebook Live.
- Sunday Fellowship and egg hunt after worship.

## IV. Opening Hymn – CH #191 “Ride On, Ride On in Majesty” (Joshua Hegg)

Ride on, ride on in majesty  
As all the crowds hosanna cry  
Through waving branches slowly ride  
O Savior to be crucified

Ride on, ride on in majesty  
As lowly pomp ride on to die  
O Christ, your triumph now begin  
O'er captive death and conquered sin

Ride on, ride on in majesty  
The angels armies of the sky  
Look down with sad and wondering eyes  
To see the approaching sacrifice

Ride on, ride on in majesty  
Your last and fiercest foe defy  
Bow your meek head to mortal pain  
Then take, O God, your power and reign

#### **V. Call to Worship – (Joe Rogers)**

A cheering, chanting, dizzying crowd  
Had stripped the green trees bare  
And hailing Christ as king aloud  
Waved branches in the air

They laid their garments in the road  
And spread his path with palms  
And vows of lasting love bestowed  
With royal hymns and psalms

When day dimmed down to deep'ning dark  
The crowd began to fade  
'til only trampled leaves and bark  
Were left from the parade

Lest we be fooled because our hearts  
have surged with passing praise  
remind us, God, as this week starts  
where Christ has fixed his gaze

Instead of palms a winding sheet  
Will have to be unrolled  
A carpet much more fit to greet  
The king a cross will hold

#### **VI. Children Dismissed for Sunday School (Peggy Davidson and Kathy Moran)**

#### **VII. Luke 19:28-40 NRSV (Joe Rogers)**

After he had said this, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, saying, “Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. If anyone asks you, ‘Why are you untying it?’ just say this, ‘The Lord needs it.’” So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, “Why are you untying the colt?” They said, “The Lord needs it.” Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. As he was now approaching the path down from

the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, saying, “Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest heaven!” Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, “Teacher, order your disciples to stop.” He answered, “I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out.”

### **VIII. Sermon - “The Risk of Being a Public Figure” (Pastor Jesse)**

### **IX. Song of Invitation – CH #192 “All Glory, Laud and Honor” (Joshua Hegg)**

All glory, laud and honor  
To you Redeemer King  
To whom the lips of children  
Made sweet hosannas ring!  
You are the child of Israel  
Great David’s greater son  
You ride in lowly triumph  
Messiah blessed one.

The company of angels  
Are praising you on high  
And we with all creation  
In chorus make reply

The people of the Hebrews  
With palms before you went  
Our praise and prayer and anthems  
Before you we present

To you before your passion  
They sang their hymns of praise  
To you now high exalted  
Our melody we raise  
As you received their praises  
Now hear us as we pray  
Since you delight in goodness  
Rule in our hearts today

### **X. Moment for Mission – (Easter Offering Message)**

### **XI. Prayers of the People (Mary Kearns)**

### **XII. Communion Song CP #161 “Here Is Bread” (Joshua Hegg)**

Here is bread, here is wine, Christ is with us, he is  
with us  
Break the bread, taste the wine, Christ is with us here

Here is grace, here is peace. Christ is with us; he is  
with us  
Break the bread, taste the wine, Christ is with us here.

In this bread there is healing; in this cup is life forever  
In this moment, by the Spirit, Christ is with us here

Here we are, joined in one. Christ is with us; he is  
with us  
We'll proclaim till he comes, Jesus crucified

In this bread there is healing; in this cup is life forever  
In this moment, by the Spirit, Christ is with us here

**XIII. Institution of Communion (Elders Peggy Davidson and Barbara Poetker)**

**XIV. Partaking Communion Together**

**XV. Blessing/Benediction (Pastor Jesse)**

**XVI. Postlude - (Joshua Hegg)**



Easter Flowers

**Easter Flowers** Envelopes are in the pew racks in the Sanctuary. You can place your envelope and check in the offering plate.

**The last date to order flowers is TODAY, Palm Sunday, April 10th.**

The price remains \$10.00. After the flowers have been displayed in the Sanctuary, you may either take your flowers home after the Easter Service, or they may be delivered to those who are homebound.

A vertical poster for an Easter special offering. The background features a stack of hands in shades of purple and blue. A circular inset on the right shows a woman in a pink shirt smiling. In the top left, a circular logo says 'Easter SPECIAL OFFERING'. The main text reads 'God's Love Endures Forever' in a mix of sans-serif and script fonts. Below that, it says 'A special day offering of Disciples Mission Fund Sunday April 10 and 17, 2022'. At the bottom, a quote from Psalm 118:1 is displayed over an image of a man's face.

**Easter**  
SPECIAL OFFERING

**God's Love  
Endures  
Forever**

A special day offering of Disciples Mission Fund  
**Sunday April 10 and 17, 2022**

"Give thanks to God for God is good,  
God's steadfast love endures forever."  
- Psalm 118:1

## Enduring Love...

- Bible studies that challenge and inspire
- Opportunities for clergy to gather in prayer
- Spiritual care for those in prison
- Resources for mental health and trauma care
- Visionary leadership that calls the church to imagine new ways to witness to God's love



## Enduring impact...

- Global ministry partners who work for justice, reconciliation and peace
- Colleges, universities and theological institutions that nurture Christian leaders who are transforming church, society and the world
- Collaborative response in the wake of disaster
- New congregations that worship in a variety of languages and worship styles
- Ministry grants for congregational service ministries that serve hungry neighbors

**The Easter Offering supports these general ministries of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)**

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April 10th-17th, 2022

## CALENDAR

### **This Sunday—Palm Sunday**

- 9:00 a.m. Sacred Grounds Adult Faith Formation Christian Education, Room 6 and on [Zoom](#)
- 10:00 a.m. Indoor Worship in Sanctuary and Worship Streamed Live on [Zoom](#) and [Facebook](#)
- Fellowship following Worship, Fireside, hosted by the Nelson Family

### **Tuesday**

- 9:30 a.m. Koinonia Krafters, Fireside
- 1:00 p.m. Check-in on [Zoom](#)

### **Wednesday**

- 6:00 p.m. Boy Scouts Troop 2 Koinonia Hall, Fireside

### **Thursday—Maundy Thursday**

- 10:00 a.m. Music Jam **CANCELED**
- 7:00 p.m. Maundy Thursday Service, Sanctuary

### **Friday—Good Friday; Church Office Closed (Admin. Assistant Briony on vacation this day)**

### **Next Sunday—Easter Sunday**

- 9:00 a.m. Sacred Grounds Adult Faith Formation Christian Education, Room 6 and on [Zoom](#) (might be canceled)
- 10:00 a.m. Indoor Worship in Sanctuary and Worship Streamed Live on [Zoom](#) and [Facebook](#)
- Fellowship and Easter Egg Hunt following Worship, Fireside, hosted by Elders

## Some FAQs for Visitors

- **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's a "Doxology"?** Some Sundays we will sing a "doxology" (literally "saying of glory") after we receive the offering. It is a prayer written in 1674 and is popular in Protestant Churches -- plus, we love the words.
- **Do we say the Lord's Prayer together?** We do pray the Lord's Prayer together occasionally on Sunday mornings during the prayer time.
- **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.
- **Visit our website to donate online, subscribe to our mailing lists, and learn more about us!** [www.fccchico.com](http://www.fccchico.com)
- **Masks:** Masks are recommended but not required. Adult and child size masks are available in the Sanctuary as well as hand sanitizer.