

# NORTH OAK CHRISTIAN CHURCH-DISCIPLES OF CHRIST

May 9, 2021

Elder-Amy Hearst, Interim Minister-Reverend Brett Winters, Music Director-Jeff Nunn,  
Special Music-Strum

## **CELEBRATION OF GOD'S PRESENCE**

Prelude--- Jeff Nunn

Call to Worship--- Amy Hearst

### **Opening hymn: Fairest Lord Jesus (CH #97)**

1 Fairest Lord Jesus, ruler of all nature, O thou of God to earth come down;  
thee will I cherish, thee will I honor, thou, my soul's glory, joy, and crown.

2 Fair are the meadows, fairer still the woodlands, robed in the blooming garb of spring:  
Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer, who makes the woeful heart to sing.

3 Fair is the sunshine, fairer still the moonlight, and all the twinkling, starry hosts:  
Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer, than all the angels heaven can boast.

The Morning Prayer---Amy Hearst

Lectionary Gospel Reading: John 14:9-17

<sup>9</sup> As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. <sup>10</sup> If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. <sup>11</sup> I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

<sup>12</sup> "This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. <sup>13</sup> No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. <sup>14</sup> You are my friends if you do what I command you. <sup>15</sup> I do not call you servants<sup>(a)</sup> any longer, because the servant<sup>(a)</sup> does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. <sup>16</sup> You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. <sup>17</sup> I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.

### **Prayers of the People**

*Silent personal prayers of thanksgiving, confession, and intercession*

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## **Morning Message**

### **“The Promise of the Holy Spirit”---Rev. Brett Winters**

**Acts 1”1-5** In the first book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus did and taught from the beginning <sup>2</sup>until the day when he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. <sup>3</sup>After his suffering he presented himself alive to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. <sup>4</sup>While staying<sup>in</sup> with them, he ordered them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for the promise of the Father. “This,” he said, “is what you have heard from me; <sup>5</sup>for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with<sup>in</sup> the Holy Spirit not many days from now.”

## **CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION**

(We are Disciples of Christ, a movement for wholeness in a fragmented world. As part of the one body of Christ, we welcome all to the Lord’s Table as God has welcomed us.)

Welcome to the Table---Rev. Brett Winters

**Communion hymn: Jesus Remember Me**

**Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.  
Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom. (3X)**

The Words of Institution---Rev. Brett Winters  
The Communion Prayer- Amy Hearts

## **The 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 sins as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever, Amen**

Invitation to Partake together---Rev. Brett Winters  
**Partaking of Communion**

## **CELEBRATION OF THE PEOPLE’S RESPONSE**

Stewardship Moment---Charlie Arnot

Special Music---Strum

Benediction---Rev. Brett Winters

Postlude

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**TO OUR GUESTS---WELCOME!**  
**SHAPED BY GOD'S WORD AND GRACED AT CHRIST'S TABLE**  
**WE WALK HUMBLY, LOVE DEEPLY, LIVE SIMPLY, AND SERVE JOYFULLY**  
More information about NOCC and the Disciples of Christ is available via Facebook & these websites:  
[www.nocckc.org](http://www.nocckc.org) [www.kcdisciples.org](http://www.kcdisciples.org) [www.disciples.org](http://www.disciples.org)

### OUR LIFE TOGETHER

### **Last Chance to Help the Search Team with Your Input!**

The NOCC pastoral search committee is working with interim minister Brett Winters to understand and define the preferred future direction for North Oak Christian Church. For those who weren't able to sign up for sessions but are interested in conversation, contact either Terry or Brett:

Terry: [tennisterry40love@gmail.com](mailto:tennisterry40love@gmail.com) 816-516-5085  
Brett: [revbrettwinters@gmail.com](mailto:revbrettwinters@gmail.com) 816-785-4967

### **Fuller Center House Build for Stacey Reynolds**

Fuller Center for Housing of Greater Kansas City has weekly workdays of Wednesday and Saturday, barring bad weather, for the build for Stacey Reynolds near the intersection of Antioch Road and I-35. If you'd like to receive email notifications about weather cancellations and details of volunteer opportunities at the site, please contact Herb Tillinghast at [htillinghast@kc.rr.com](mailto:htillinghast@kc.rr.com) to be added to the email list.

### **Mark Your Calendar**

We will celebrate our graduates on **May 16<sup>th</sup>**. Please let us know if someone you love is celebrating any level of graduation this spring!

Cindy: [coharaz30@gmail.com](mailto:coharaz30@gmail.com) or 816-808-6409  
Brett: [revbrettwinters@gmail.com](mailto:revbrettwinters@gmail.com) or 816-785-4967

### **A Special Sunday of Celebration and Gratitude**

**Sunday June 13**

You are invited To North Oak Christian Church's:

**“Anniversary Celebration Worship Service and Picnic”**

We will worship in the sanctuary at 10:15 with an outdoor picnic to follow. Gratitude will be expressed for all who have helped navigate NOCC through the last year in unifying ways!

### **Give to Disciples Mission Fund - Disciples Mission Fund**

Thank you for your support of Disciples Mission Fund! Your gift is an important investment in the future of our Church and will fund ministry and mission across the United States and Canada, and beyond. Giving online is easy, secure and the quickest way to share your gift. If you are remitting a gift on behalf of a congregation, please contact us for more information about remitting those gifts using a different process. FYI the Pentecost Special Day Offering will begin on May 16<sup>th</sup>.

<https://disciplesmissionfund.org/give/>

## **You, Me & the Enneagram---One Road on the Journey of Self-Discovery**

### **Interactive Workshop led by Lori Hall, MA Education**

The Enneagram is both an ancient tool of self-discovery and a sacred tool for spiritual growth & positive change for today. Together we will explore the answers to the following questions:

- What is the Enneagram and its key components?
- Why is it important?
- What is my personality type and how can I benefit from this discovery?

Richard Rohr writes, *“The Enneagram brings into focus an essential truth of our soul. It does this in a way that most people have seldom or never experienced... we must honor the Enneagram as a tool of spiritual revolution.”*

**Part One Workshop---Friday, May 14<sup>th</sup> 6:00—9:00pm & Saturday, May 15<sup>th</sup> 9:00am to 3:00pm**

**Part Two Workshop---Friday, June 4<sup>th</sup> 6:00---9:00pm & Saturday, June 5<sup>th</sup> 9:00am to 3:00pm**

**Participants are encouraged to attend Part One before registering for Part Two as the workshop content supports one another.**

**Located & sponsored by Lotus Care KC at 7001 N. Locust St. C101 Gladstone, Missouri 64118**

**Cost: \$65 for each workshop includes all supplies---pay upon arrival**

**REGISTER with Lori by emailing her at: [lzhall04@gmail.com](mailto:lzhall04@gmail.com) Class size is limited**