

NORTH OAK CHRISTIAN CHURCH-DISCIPLES OF CHRIST

October 24th, 2021-- Twenty Second Sunday After Pentecost
Elder- Amy Hearst, Worship Leader-Jayne Bruno, Intentional Interim Minister-Rev. Brett Winters, Music Director-Jeff Nunn

CELEBRATION OF GOD'S PRESENCE

Prelude

Welcome/Morning Prayer

Call to Worship

(from Psalm 34, from centerforfaithandgiving.org)

Leader: Today's the day to worship God!

People: We're here to bless God with every breath we take.

Leader: Open your mouth and taste, open your eyes and see

People: how good God is!

Leader: Blessed are all who run to God,

People: We run to God with songs of praise!

Opening Hymn: Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing (CH #16)

**Come, thou fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing thy grace;
streams of mercy never ceasing call for songs of loudest praise.
Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above.
Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, mount of thy redeeming love.**

**Here I raise to thee an altar; hither by thy help I've come;
and I hope, by thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger, wandering from the fold of God;
he, to rescue me from danger, interposed his precious blood.**

**O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be!
Let thy goodness, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to thee.
Prone to wander, how I feel it, prone to leave the God I love;
here's my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for thy courts above.**

Prayers of the People --Rev. Brett Winters

(Please make your requests & praises known by sharing aloud or typing them on Facebook.)

Choral Response

Gospel Reading : Matthew 11:25-30

At that time Jesus said, "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

"Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

Morning Message---Rev. Brett Winters
"Romans 12 Series: Don't Burn Out, Keep Yourselves Fueled and Aflame"

Special Music

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

The Words of Institution---Rev. Brett Winters

Communion Hymn: I Come with Joy (CH #420)

**I come with joy, a child of God, forgiven, loved and free, the life of Jesus to recall,
in love laid down for me, in love laid down for me.**

**I come with Christians far and near to find, as all are fed, the new community of love
in Christ's communion bread, in Christ's communion bread.**

**As Christ breaks bread and bids us share, each proud division ends. The love that made us,
makes us one, and strangers now are friends, and strangers now are friends.**

**The Spirit of the risen Christ, unseen, but ever near, is in such friendship better known,
alive among us here, alive among us here.**

**Together met, together bound by all that God has done, we'll go with joy, to give the
world, the love that makes us one, the love that makes us one.**

The Communion Prayer---Amy Hearst

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

Music during Communion---Jeff Nunn

CELEBRATION OF THE PEOPLE'S RESPONSE

Closing Hymn: Open My Eyes that I May See (CH #586)

**Open my eyes, that I may see glimpses of truth thou hast for me;
place in my hands the wonderful key that shall unclasp and set me free.
Silently now I wait for thee, ready, my God, thy will to see.
Open my eyes, illumine me, Spirit divine!**

**Open my ears, that I may hear voices of truth thou sendest clear;
and while the wave-notes fall on my ear, everything false will disappear.
Silently now I wait for thee, ready, my God, thy will to see.
Open my ears, illumine me, Spirit divine!**

**Open my mouth, and let me bear gladly the warm truth everywhere;
open my heart and let me prepare love with thy children thus to share.
Silently now I wait for thee, ready, my God, thy will to see.
Open my heart, illumine me, Spirit divine!**

Benediction---Rev. Brett Winters

Postlude---Jeff Nunn

(As you depart you may place your tithes and offerings in the plate at the back of the sanctuary. Thank You helping equip North Oak Christian Church to love others as Christ first loved us.)

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 www.kcdisciples.org www.disciples.org

OUR LIFE TOGETHER

Social Justice Ministry Study at 9:00am, Sunday Oct. 31

We will continue our journey with baby steps, and by learning more about what Social Justice and Biblical justice, is. All are welcome to attend this weekly Sunday Morning educational opportunity.

GKC October Regional Evening DWM Dinner

Disciples Women's Ministry of our Region will meet at Independence First Christian Church on Thursday, October 28th. Registration at 6:00pm, Meal at 6:30, Meeting at 7pm. Cost is \$6. You may register by calling Martha Schmidt 816-358-4522 or email:bottlemrs@aol.com

Family Promise

Volunteers at the Family Promise Day Center beginning at 11:00 am on Thursdays are needed. Responsibilities are: preparing/serving a meal, visiting with other church volunteers, and meeting the people who are being served that day. There are Thursday openings in October.

Donations of women's and men's tennis shoes are at the top of the list along with jeans and T-shirts/sweatshirts, and extra shoestrings.

Call or text Debbie Herrick: (816) 510-6859 if you are interested in serving a meal or sharing donations.

Immediate Cherith Brook Donation Needs:

Current donation items needed for Cherith Brook: Toilet Paper, masks, deodorant, razors, and reading glasses.

Immediate Micah Ministry Donation Needs:

Comfortable shoes, small men's jeans, kids clothing, blankets, all winter clothing.