

NORTH OAK CHRISTIAN CHURCH-DISCIPLES OF CHRIST

Dec. 26th 2021-- First Sunday After Christmas
Worship Leader- Charlie Fillingham, Elder-Ramie Beck,
Pianist-Lincoln McKinnis, Music Director-Jeff Nunn,

CELEBRATION OF GOD'S PRESENCE

Prelude: Lincoln McKinnis--Angel's We gave Heard on High

Welcome/Morning Prayer--Charlie Fillingham

Call to Worship

(inspired by Isaiah 2:4, Isaiah 52:7)

Leader: Welcome to all: happy or sad, rejoicing or grieving, seeking or believing.

People: Welcome to all, here is good news: To you is born this day, in the city of David, a Savior, who is Christ the Lord.

Leader: His name is Jesus, which means, "Liberator," "Rescuer," "Deliverer."

People: His life changed the world. His living presence changes us today.

Opening Hymn: O Come, All Ye Faithful CH#148 v1,4

**O Come, all ye faithful, joyful, and triumphant, O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem;
come and behold him, born the King of angels; O come let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him, Christ, the Lord!**

**Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born for our salvation, Jesus, to thee be all glory given; Word of
the Father, now in flesh appearing; O come let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him, Christ, the Lord!**

Reading: Luke 2:1-7--Ramie Beck
"And she laid him in a manger"

Hymn: Away in a Manger CH#147 v1&3

**Away in a manger, no crib for a bed, the little Lord Jesus laid down his sweet head.
The stars in the sky looked down where he lay, the little Lord Jesus, asleep on the hay.**

**Be near me, Lord Jesus, I ask thee to stay close by me forever, and love me, I pray.
Bless all the dear children in thy tender care, and fit us for heaven to live with thee there.**

Reading: Luke 2:8-13--Jeff Nunn
"I bring you good tidings of great joy"

Hymn: While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks CH#154 v1&6
While shepherds watched their flocks by night, all seated on the ground, the messenger of
God came down, and glory shone around, and glory shone around.

**“All glory be to God on high and on the earth be peace; goodwill hence forth from heaven
to earth begin and never cease, begin and never cease.**

Reading Luke 2:14-20--Ramie Beck
“Glory to God in the highest”

Hymn: Angels From the Realms of Glory” CH#149 v1&4
Angels, from the realms of glory, wing your flight o’er all the earth; you who sang
creation’s story, now proclaim Messiah’s birth:
Come and worship, come and worship, worship Christ, the newborn King.

Saints before the altar bending, watching long in hope and fear, suddenly the Lord,
descending, here among us shall appear:
Come and worship, come and worship, worship Christ, the newborn King.

Reading: Luke 2:21,25-35--Jeff Nunn
“For my eyes have seen your salvation”

Hymn: There’s a Song in the Air! CH#159 v1&2
There’s a song in the air! There’s a star in the sky! There’s a mother’s deep prayer and a
baby’s low cry! And the star rains its fire while the angel choirs sing, for the manger in
Bethlehem, cradles a king!

There’s a tumult of joy o’er the wonderful birth, for the Virgin’s sweet boy is the Lord of
the earth. See, the star rains its fire while the angel choirs sing, for the manger in
Bethlehem, cradles a king!

Reading: Matthew 2:1-3,7-9--Ramie Beck
“Go and search diligently for the child”

Hymn: “We Three Kings” #172 v1&5
We three kings of Orient are; bearing gifts we traverse afar,
field and fountain, moor and mountain following yonder star.
O star of wonder, star of light, star of royal beauty bright,
westward leading, still proceeding, guide us to thy perfect light.

Glorious now behold him arise; Christ and God and sacrifice:
alleluia, alleluia sounds through the earth and skies.

**O star of wonder, star of light, star of royal beauty bright,
westward leading, still proceeding, guide us to thy perfect light.**

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/The Words of Institution---Jeff Nunn

The Communion Prayer--- Ramie Beck

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---Jeff Nunn

Partaking of Communion

Music during Communion--Lincoln McKinnis

"In the Bleak Midwinter"

CELEBRATION OF THE PEOPLE'S RESPONSE

Closing hymn: "Joy to the World" CH#143 all verses

Joy to the world, the Lord is come! Let earth receive her King; let every heart prepare him room, and heaven and nature sing, and heaven and nature sing, and heaven and heaven and nature sing.

Joy to the world, the Savior reigns! Let all their songs employ; while fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains, repeat the sounding joy, repeat the sounding joy, repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

He rules the world with truth and grace, and makes the nations prove the glories of his righteousness, and wonders of his love, and wonders of his love, and wonders, wonders of his love.

Benediction---Ramie Beck

Postlude---Lincoln McKinnis

"One Small Child"

(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

Congregational Meeting

There will be a congregational meeting after church (in person and on facebook) on January 9th.

Early Education Center Volunteers Needed

Before the lockdown in 2020, North Oak was ready to encourage and schedule volunteers at the Early Education Center in NKC School District.

This would involve folks who are willing and available to volunteer to help with toy and book check out at the center. The center is open for check out from 9:30-11 am and 1:30-3 Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays. Orientation and training would be provided.

Anyone who is interested in helping out, should let Cindy O'Hara know by January 3, 2022 at coharaz30@gmail.com or 816-808-6409.