

# NORTH OAK CHRISTIAN CHURCH-DISCIPLES OF CHRIST

Jan 9th 2022-- Second Sunday of Christmas

Worship Leader/Elder-Jayne Bruno,

Intentional Interim Minister-Brett Winters, Music Director-Jeff Nunn,

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

Prelude---Jeff Nunn

Welcome/Morning Prayer---Jayne Bruno

### **Call to Worship**

Leader: When the world is so focused on being driven

**People: Let us be drawn in**

Leader: When we focus on what we "should" do rather than what we are excited to do

**People: Let us be drawn in**

Leader: When we begin to understand that creativity is gift from God

**People: Let us be drawn in**

Leader: When we understand that the depth of our love is connected to breadth of our shared dreams

**People: Let us be drawn in**

### **Opening Hymn: What Was Your Vow and Vision CH# 177**

**What was your vow and vision, revealed and recognized,  
Christ, when you came to Jordan and asked to be baptized?  
Was there a sudden splendor or prophets, priests and kings,  
a wind that stirred the waters, a blur of mighty wings?**

**Was this God's call, the crowning of all you had become:  
"Go show and tell my coming, my own, my chosen one"?  
Did scripture join with scripture, revealing in surprise  
the triumph of a servant rejected and despised?**

Prayers of the People ---Rev. Brett Winters

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

Musical Response

Gospel Reading: Luke 4:13-21

After finishing every temptation, the devil departed from him until the next opportunity. Jesus returned in the power of the Spirit to Galilee, and news about him spread throughout the whole countryside. He taught in their synagogues and was praised by everyone.

Jesus went to Nazareth, where he had been raised. On the Sabbath he went to the synagogue as he normally did and stood up to read. The synagogue assistant gave him the scroll from the prophet Isaiah. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written: *The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because the Lord has anointed me. He has sent me to preach good news to the poor, to proclaim release to the prisoners and recovery of sight to the blind, to liberate the oppressed and to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor.*

He rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the synagogue assistant, and sat down. Every eye in the synagogue was fixed on him. He began to explain to them, "Today, this scripture has been fulfilled just as you heard it."

Sermon Series---Drawn In: Living Out the Creative Life with God  
"Dream"

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/The Words of Institution

**Communion Hymn: O God Unseen Yet Ever Near CH#399**

**O God, unseen yet ever near, reveal thy presence now,  
while we, in love that hath no fear, before thy glory bow.**

**Here may thy faithful people know the blessings of thy love-  
the streams that thro' the desert flow, the manna from above.**

**Awhile beside the fount we stay and eat this bread of thine;  
then go, rejoicing, on our way, renewed with strength divine.**

The Communion Prayer---Jayne Bruno

### **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

**Partaking of Communion**

Music during Communion---Jeff Nunn

**CELEBRATION OF THE PEOPLE'S RESPONSE**

**Closing Hymn: God, Who Stretched the Spangled Heavens CH#651**

**God, who stretched the spangled heavens, infinite in time and place,  
flung the suns in burning radiance through the silent fields of space,  
we your children, in your likeness, share inventive powers with you.  
Great Creator, still creating, show us what we yet may do.**

**We have ventured worlds undreamed of since the childhood of our race;  
known the ecstasy of winging through untraveled realms of space;  
probed the secrets of the atom, yielding unimagined power,  
facing us with life's destruction or our most triumphant hour.**

**As each far horizon beckons, may it challenge us anew,  
children of creative purpose, serving others, honoring you.  
May our dreams prove rich with promise, each endeavor well begun.  
Great Creator, give us guidance till our goals and yours are one.**

Benediction

Postlude

*(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.)*

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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**

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**[www.nocckc.org](http://www.nocckc.org) [www.kcdisciples.org](http://www.kcdisciples.org) [www.disciples.org](http://www.disciples.org)**

**OUR LIFE TOGETHER**

**Congregational Meeting today after worship.**

There will be a congregational meeting after church (in person and on Facebook) on January 9<sup>th</sup>.