

NORTH OAK CHRISTIAN CHURCH-DISCIPLES OF CHRIST

October 9th 2022—Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost
Worship Leader-Trish Courtney Holt, Elder Amy Hearst, Elder Mel Adams, Music- Regina
Kellogg, Minister-Rev. Mark Willis

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CELEBRATION OF GOD'S PRESENCE

Prelude

"Quick Praise"

Bell Choir

Call to Worship

Courtney Holt

Leader: Rejoice, people of God: this is our Sabbath day.

People: Rejoice, friends in Christ: this is our time for worship.

Leader: God ordained the Sabbath, rest and restoration.

People: God is worthy of worship, our Creator, Healer, and Inspiration.

Leader: So then, let us worship God.

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Opening Hymn

Congregation

"Be Thou My Vision" pg595

**Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
naught be all else to me, save that thou art
Thou my best thought, by day or by night,
waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.**

**Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word;
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord;
thou my redeemer, my love thou hast won,
thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.**

**Riches I heed not, nor vain empty praise,
thou mine inheritance, now and always:
Thou and thou only, first in my heart,
Great God of heaven, my treasure thou art.**

**Great God of heaven, my victory won,
may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun!
Heart of my heart, whatever befall,
still be my vision, O Ruler of all.**

Scripture Reading: Exodus 19:3-7

Courtney Holt

Then Moses went up to God; the Lord called to him from the mountain, saying, ‘Thus you shall say to the house of Jacob, and tell the Israelites: You have seen what I did to the Egyptians, and how I bore you on eagles’ wings and brought you to myself. Now therefore, if you obey my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my treasured possession out of all the peoples. Indeed, the whole earth is mine, but you shall be for me a priestly kingdom and a holy nation. These are the words that you shall speak to the Israelites.’

So Moses came, summoned the elders of the people, and set before them all these words that the Lord had commanded him.

Prayers of the People

Rev. Mark Willis

(Please make your requests & praises known by sharing aloud or emailing pastor@nocckc.org)

Sermon Scripture Reading: Exodus 20:1-17

Courtney Holt

(Please stand if able, in body or in spirit as you are able, during the reading of the scripture)

Then God spoke all these words:

I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; you shall have no other gods before me.

You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I the Lord your God am a jealous God, punishing children for the iniquity of parents, to the third and the fourth generation of those who reject me, but showing steadfast love to the thousandth generation of those who love me and keep my commandments.

You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not acquit anyone who misuses his name.

Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. For six days you shall labour and do all your work. But the seventh day is a sabbath to the Lord your God; you shall not do any work—you, your son or your daughter, your male or female slave, your livestock, or the alien resident in your towns. For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but rested the seventh day; therefore the Lord blessed the sabbath day and consecrated it.

Honour your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you.

You shall not murder.

You shall not commit adultery.

You shall not steal.

You shall not bear false witness against your neighbour.

You shall not covet your neighbour’s house; you shall not covet your neighbour’s wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbour.

Message

“19 Comes Before 20”

Rev. Mark Willis

Special Music

“To God Be the Glory”

Bell Choir

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

Rev. Mark Willis

Communion Hymn:

Congregation

"On Eagle's Wings" pg77 (Regina sing verses/ People sing refrain/chorus)

*You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord
Who abide in God's shadow for life
Say to the Lord, "My refuge, my rock in whom I trust!"*

**And I will raise you up on eagles' wings
Bear you on the breath of dawn
Make you to shine like the sun
And hold you in the palm of my hand**

*The snare of the fowler will never capture you
And famine will bring you no fear
Under Gods wings your refuge, Gods faithfulness your shield*

**And I will raise you up on eagles' wings
Bear you on the breath of dawn
Make you to shine like the sun
And hold you in the palm of my hand**

*You need not fear the terror of the night
Nor the arrow that flies by day
Though thousands fall about you, near you it shall not come*

**And I will raise you up on eagles' wings
Bear you on the breath of dawn
Make you to shine like the sun
And hold you in the palm of my hand**

*For to God's angels is given a command
To guard you in all of your ways
Upon their hands they will bear you up
Lest you dash your foot against a stone*

**And I will raise you up on eagles' wings
Bear you on the breath of dawn
Make you to shine like the sun**

And hold you in the palm of my hand
And hold you, hold you in the palm of my hand

Communion Prayer
The Lord's Prayer

Elder Amy Hearst
Congregation

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.

Partaking of Communion
Music During Communion

Regina Kellogg

CELEBRATION OF THE PEOPLE'S RESPONSE

Offering Moment

"Why I Give"

Dale & Debbie Herrick

Closing Hymn

Congregation

"God Whose Giving Knows No Ending" pg606
God, whose giving knows no ending,
From your rich and endless store:
Nature's wonder, Jesus' wisdom,
Costly cross, grave's shattered door,
Gifted by You, we turn to You,
Off'ring up ourselves in praise;
Thankful song shall rise forever,
Gracious donor of our days.

Skills and time are ours for pressing
Toward the goals of Christ, Your Son:
All at peace in health and freedom,
Races joined, the Church made one.
Now direct our daily labor,
Lest we strive for self alone;
Born with talents, make us servants
Fit to answer at Your throne.

Treasure, too, You have entrusted,
Gain through pow'rs Your grace conferred;
Ours to use for home and kindred,
And to spread the gospel word.
Open wide our hands in sharing,
As we heed Christ's ageless call,

Healing, teaching, and reclaiming,
Serving You by loving all.

Benediction

Rev. Mark Willis

Postlude

Regina Kellogg

*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

More information about NOCC and the Disciples of Christ is available via Facebook & these websites:

www.nocckc.org www.kcdisciples.org www.disciples.org

Contact Pastor Mark Willis at 816-616-9746 pastor@nocckc.org

Our Life Together

Social Justice Seekers

The NOCC Social Justice Seekers will be meeting today, October 9, after worship. We will be discussing how many of the practices that enable and sustain social injustice have evolved over the course of our lifetimes. We will also be identifying a specific set of social justice issues on which the Seekers would like to place their primary focus, moving forward. The group meets after worship on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month and all are welcome.

Chili Lunch Returns!

The Community Life Team invites everyone to enjoy an after-worship chili lunch on Sunday, October 30th. You can volunteer to bring chili, chips, crackers, apples, or another yummy! We look forward to celebrating autumn together. October 30th is the Chiefs bye-week, so we hope everyone can join the celebration.

Family Backpack Ministry

Thank you to the September Backpack Ministry team! By the end of the month, Linda Daniels and Cindy Rose had packed and delivered weekly meals to 10 Bell Prairie families. And thanks to Ramie Beck, groceries were delivered to Gateway 6th Grade Center to restock the food pantry, which serves 6-10 families. Many people unloaded groceries from Terry Becker's car, then stored the food in the closet pantry. Waytogo, September Team NOCC!

Want to learn more or volunteer? Contact Terry Becker: 816-516-5085 or

tennisterry40love@gmail.com

NOCC Choir!

The NOCC Choir is back! Rehearsals are on Wednesday evenings from 6:30 - 7:30 PM in the sanctuary. If you love singing with friends and look forward to enhancing our worship through beautiful music, this is the group for you. If you have questions, email Regina at reginakaye1971@gmail.com

Jubilation Bell Choir

The Jubilation Ringers would love to make some music with you this Fall! The group meets on Sundays after church for an hour to practice making music with the ringing of bells! We select the music to play, practice, and share our music ministry with the congregation! Let us teach you how to ring! If you can count to 4, hold two bells, and find your notes on the music, then you are a good candidate for our musical team! Any level of past music experience is helpful and we will get you started! For questions, please feel free to reach out to the current ringers: Laraine, Ramie, Jamie, Jill, or Debbie. You can also email or call Stacey at: 816-519-5132 or confetti817@gmail.com

Men's Bible Study

The Men's Bible Study meets on Tuesday mornings at 9:45. We discuss scripture and relevant topics together via Zoom. Starting this Tuesday, we will be reading and discussing the Narrative Lectionary ([narrative_lectionary_matthew_2022-23.pdf \(workingpreacher.org\)](#)) which Pastor Mark will be using to shape worship each week. All men are welcome. Email David Nelson at humanagenda@gmail.com for the Zoom link and join in!

Women's Bible Study

The women's daytime Bible study group will be starting our 2022-23 term studying the book "Forgiving What You Can't Forget" by Lysa Terkeurst. The study will meet at the Fillingham's home on the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month at 12:30. Everyone is invited! If you are interested in joining this caring group, you can contact Carolyn Fillingham at ccfillingham@gmail.com or 816-289-7858.