

NORTH OAK CHRISTIAN CHURCH-DISCIPLES OF CHRIST

November 20, 2022—Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost

Worship Leader- Jayne Bruno, Elders Charlie Fillingham, Ramie Beck, Music- Regina Kellogg,
Guest Minister-Rev. Linda Miller

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HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

CELEBRATION OF GOD'S PRESENCE

Prelude

Invocation

Call to Worship

Leader: Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.

People: God's steadfast love endures forever.

L: Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his name.

P: Make known God's deeds among the peoples!

L: God blesses us with gifts of love, with food and clothing, home and family.

P: God calls us into relationship with him and forms us into one holy people,

L: Therefore we shall offer thanks and praise to the Lord our God.

P: O Lord our God, we will give thanks to you forever.

(<https://re-worship.blogspot.com/>)

Regina Kellogg

Jayne Bruno

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Opening Hymn

Congregation

" Come, Ye Thankful People Come" pg 718

Come, ye thankful people, come,
raise the song of harvest home;

All is safely gathered in,
ere the winter storms begin;
God, our maker, does provide
for our wants to be supplied;

Come to God's own temple, come,
raise the song of harvest home.

All the blessings of the field,
all the stores the gardens yield,
all the fruits in full supply,
ripened 'neath the summer sky,
all that spring with bounteous hand
scatters o'er the smiling land,
all that liberal autumn pours
from its rich o'erflowing stores,

These to thee, my God, we owe,
source whence all our blessings flow;
and for these my soul shall raise
grateful vows and solemn praise.
Come, ye thankful people, come,
raise the song of harvest home;
Come to God's own temple, come,
raise the song of harvest home.

Prayers of the People

Rev. Linda Miller

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

Scripture Reading: Isaiah 2:1-4

Jayne Bruno

The word that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem.

In days to come

the mountain of the Lord's house
shall be established as the highest of the mountains,
and shall be raised above the hills;
all the nations shall stream to it.

Many peoples shall come and say,
'Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord,
to the house of the God of Jacob;
that he may teach us his ways
and that we may walk in his paths.'

For out of Zion shall go forth instruction,
and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem.

He shall judge between the nations,
and shall arbitrate for many peoples;
they shall beat their swords into ploughshares,
and their spears into pruning-hooks;
nation shall not lift up sword against nation,
neither shall they learn war anymore.

Message

"Swords and Spears, Words and Ears"

Rev. Linda Miller

Special Music

"Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

NOCC 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. Linda Miller

Communion Hymn:

Congregation

"Seed Scattered and Sown" pg 395
Seed, Scattered And Sown;
Wheat, Gathered And Grown;
Bread, Broken And Shared As One,
The Living Bread Of God.
Vine, Fruit Of The Land;
Wine, Work Of Our Hands;
One Cup That Is Shared By All;
The Living Cup, The Living Bread Of God.

Is Not The Bread We Break
A Sharing In Our Lord?
Is Not The Cup We Bless
The Blood Of Christ Outpoured?
[REFRAIN]

The Seed Which Falls On Rock
Will Wither And Will Die.
The Seed Within Good Ground
Will Flower And Have Life.
[REFRAIN]

As Wheat Upon The Hills
Was Gathered And Was Grown,
So May The Church Of God
Be Gathered Into One.
[REFRAIN]

Communion Prayer
The Lord's Prayer

Elder Charlie Fillingham
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

Rev. Linda Miller

Closing Hymn

Congregation

“Let All Things Now Living” pg 717
Let all things now living a song of thanksgiving
To God our creator triumphantly raise.
Who fashioned and made us, protected and stayed us,
By guiding us on to the end of our days.
God's banners are o'er us, pure light goes before us,
A pillar of fire shining forth in the night.
Till shadows have vanished and darkness is banished
As forward we travel from light into light.

By law God enforces, the stars in their courses
The sun in its orbit obediently shine;
The hills and the mountains, the rivers and fountains,
The deeps of the ocean proclaim God divine.
We, too, should be voicing our love and rejoicing;
With glad adoration a Song let us raise
Till all things now living unite in thanksgiving:
To God in the highest, Hosanna and praise!

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

Congregational Meeting

All members are asked to stay after worship on Sunday, December 11th for the Annual Congregational Meeting. We will be reviewing and voting on the budget for 2023, as well as new Elders and Board members.

Backpack Ministry Updates for the Upcoming Holidays

With both Thanksgiving and Christmas approaching, the Family Backpack “arm” of the Community Outreach Ministries (COM) is announcing new opportunities to assist the Bell Prairie families.

1. For the Thanksgiving and Christmas breaks, it is our custom to provide Sun Fresh gift cards for each family.
2. With the current number of families, we will need a total of \$280.00 for Thanksgiving, aka “Turkey Day”. (If the number of families doesn’t change, we will need the same amount for Christmas.)
3. Please consider donating any amount toward these gift cards that will aid families during the holidays.
4. When writing a check, in the Memo portion, please write “**BACKPACKS**”. (From now on, please write “**BACKPACKS**” in the memo portion if you want to contribute to the Backpack Ministry).

Christmas adoptions information:

For Christmas, NOCC will once again “adopt” 9 Bell Prairie children by providing wrapped gifts, items that children will have requested. We elves should have their lists before Thanksgiving. Details coming soon! Want to learn more or volunteer? Contact Terry Becker: 816-516-5085 or tennisterry40love@gmail.com

NOCC Choir – CHRISTMAS CANTATA

The Christmas Cantata will be Sunday, December 11th at 2:00PM here at NOCC. We will perform with the choir from North Kansas City Christian Church. Make plans to attend and enhance your Advent season with beautiful music, worship, and fellowship. If you have questions, email Regina at reginakaye1971@gmail.com

Family Promise

NOCC, along with other churches, provides food, clothing and assistance every month for the folks who come to Family Promise. Family Promise's core program is to provide dignity to unhoused and housing insecure individuals. Family Promise in the Northland serves 20-25 individuals weekly. North Oak Christian Church volunteers assist with meal preparation, clothing donations, laundry assistance, cleaning showers, and meal service. If you want to volunteer or donate, contact Debbie at thomsod5000@att.net

Cherith Brook

CHERITH BROOK honeybees are busy all summer supporting the work of this special organization by providing wonderful honey. Using volunteers Rev. Eric Garbison directs the harvest and asks supporters and friends to donate \$10 for one or more jars to help CB. They are available for the next few Sundays from Dale Herrick. Check or cash and for special orders see Dale. Thanks from CB and their Bees.

Jubilation Bell Choir

The Jubilation Ringers meet to practice on Sundays after church for an hour. Come learn 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! For questions, please feel free to reach out to the current ringers or email or call Stacey at: 816-519-5132 or confetti817@gmail.com

Sojourners Adult Sunday School Class

Sojourners class is meeting at 9:00am on Sunday mornings in the Fellowship room. All are welcome. The class is reading and discussing "Do I Stay Christian?" by Brian McClaren.

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!

Daytime Women's Bible Study

The women's daytime Bible study group is studying the book "Forgiving What You Can't Forget" by Lysa Terkeurst. The study meets 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.

Evening Women's Bible Study

The Evening Women's Bible Study meets at Babs Krueger's home, 10117 N Park Ave in Staley Farms at 6:45-8:00 the first & third Tuesday evenings of each month. The group is studying "Following The Call, Living the Sermon on the Mount". All are welcome. For more info, contact Jayne Bruno at jaynesuebruno@gmail.com