

NORTH OAK CHRISTIAN CHURCH-DISCIPLES OF CHRIST

January 1st 2023 - The First Sunday of Christmas
Worship Leader-Jacque Willis, Elder Charlie Fillingham , Elder Ellen Lewis,
Music- Nanette Kraus, Minister-Rev. Mark Willis

+++++

CELEBRATION OF GOD'S PRESENCE

Prelude **Nanette Kraus**

Invocation **Jacque Willis**

Call to Worship **Jacque Willis**

Leader: A new day has dawned, a new year begun

People: O Lord, call us so we may hear Your voice

L: The world turns to hopes and dreams of the future

P: O Lord, keep us in Your ways and on Your path

L: We enter this new year with hope and excitement

P: O Lord, remind us that You lead us

L: May God bless this new year through grace and love.

P: O Lord, guide us as we look to You, and worship You throughout this new year.

(<http://rev-o-lution.org/>)

Opening Hymn **Congregation**

"As with Gladness" pg 173

As with gladness sages bold
did the guiding star behold;
as with joy they hailed its light,
leading onward, beaming bright,
so, true Morning Star, may we
evermore your splendor see.

As with joyful steps they sped
to that lowly manger bed,
there to bend the knee before
One whom heaven and earth adore,
so, may we with willing feet
ever seek your mercy seat.

As they offered gifts most rare
at that manger plain and bare,
so may we with holy joy,

pure and free from sin's alloy,
all our costliest treasures bring,
Christ, to you from whom they spring.

Holy Jesus, every day
keep us in the narrow way;
and when earthly things are past,
bring our ransomed lives at last
where they need no star to guide,
where no clouds thy glory hide.

Scripture Reading: Matthew 1:1-11

Jacque Willis

An account of the genealogy of Jesus the Messiah, the son of David, the son of Abraham. Abraham was the father of Isaac, and Isaac the father of Jacob, and Jacob the father of Judah and his brothers, and Judah the father of Perez and Zerah by Tamar, and Perez the father of Hezron, and Hezron the father of Aram, and Aram the father of Aminadab, and Aminadab the father of Nahshon, and Nahshon the father of Salmon, and Salmon the father of Boaz by Rahab, and Boaz the father of Obed by Ruth, and Obed the father of Jesse, and Jesse the father of King David.

And David was the father of Solomon by the wife of Uriah, and Solomon the father of Rehoboam, and Rehoboam the father of Abijah, and Abijah the father of Asaph, and Asaph the father of Jehoshaphat, and Jehoshaphat the father of Joram, and Joram the father of Uzziah, and Uzziah the father of Jotham, and Jotham the father of Ahaz, and Ahaz the father of Hezekiah, and Hezekiah the father of Manasseh, and Manasseh the father of Amos, and Amos the father of Josiah, and Josiah the father of Jechoniah and his brothers, at the time of the deportation to Babylon.

Prayers of the People

Rev. Mark Willis

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

Sermon Scripture Reading: Matthew 1:12-17

Jacque Willis

And after the deportation to Babylon: Jechoniah was the father of Salathiel, and Salathiel the father of Zerubbabel, and Zerubbabel the father of Abiud, and Abiud the father of Eliakim, and Eliakim the father of Azor, and Azor the father of Zadok, and Zadok the father of Achim, and Achim the father of Eliud, and Eliud the father of Eleazar, and Eleazar the father of Matthan, and Matthan the father of Jacob, and Jacob the father of Joseph the husband of Mary, of whom Jesus was born, who is called the Messiah.

So all the generations from Abraham to David are fourteen generations; and from David to the deportation to Babylon, fourteen generations; and from the deportation to Babylon to the Messiah, fourteen generations.

Message

“A Brand New Day”

Rev. Mark Willis

Special Music

“We Three Kings” pg172 Rev. Willis and Congregation

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

“Let Break Bread Together” pg425

Let us break bread together on our knees; (on our knees)

Let us break bread together on our knees. (on our knees)

When I fall on my knees,
with my face to the rising sun,
O Lord, have mercy on me. (on me)

Let us drink wine together on our knees; (on our knees)

Let us drink wine together on our knees. (on our knees)

When I fall on my knees,
with my face to the rising sun,
O Lord, have mercy on me. (on me)

Let us praise God together on our knees; (on our knees)

Let us praise God together on our knees. (on our knees)

When I fall on my knees,
with my face to the rising sun,
O Lord, have mercy on me. (on me)

Communion Prayer

Elder Charlie Fillingham

The Lord's Prayer

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

Nanette Kraus

CELEBRATION OF THE PEOPLE'S RESPONSE

Offering Moment

Rev. Mark Willis

Closing Hymn

Congregation

“How Great Our Joy” pg170 vs2,3,4
Born is the Child, in manger small,

whom God has sent to save us all.
How great our joy!
Great our joy!
Joy, joy, joy!
Joy, joy, joy!
Glory to God who reigns on high!
Glory to God who reigns on high!

Go you this night, and you shall find
the Savior born for humankind.
How great our joy!
Great our joy!
Joy, joy, joy!
Joy, joy, joy!
Glory to God who reigns on high!
Glory to God who reigns on high!

Jesus, the gift from heav'n above
fills all our hearts with joy and love.
How great our joy!
Great our joy!
Joy, joy, joy!
Joy, joy, joy!
Glory to God who reigns on high!
Glory to God who reigns on high!

Benediction

Rev. Mark Willis

Postlude

Nanette Kraus

*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.*

*Music used with permission through our CCLI Copyright License Number 21523835 and
Streaming License Number 21523842.*

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

Movies and Munchies

Ann and David Nelson will again host this event the first Thursday—January 5th @ 6 p.m. at their home. Please view the movie, THE CIDER HOUSE RULES (a novel by John Irving) (Netflix) before coming. Bring your own drink and a snack to share. Limited seating. Vaccinated guests can RSVP at 816.896.3835 or humanagenda@gmail.com.

Souper Bowl Sunday

North Oak will once again celebrate Super Bowl Sunday with a Souper Bowl lunch after worship on February 12. Be ready to volunteer to bring your favorite soup to share. We will have a sign-up in the coming weeks.

Backpack Ministry Updates

On behalf of Bell Prairie families we serve, thank you to the December backpacking team.

Jill and Larry Rodgers picked up and stored the month's groceries from Sun Fresh then packed the food for December deliveries. Bob Bruno fetched the donated loaves of bread from Sun Fresh then delivered those and the food to Bell Prairie each Wednesday. Because of the generosity of NOCC's friends and members, Sun Fresh gift cards will be provided for the holiday break for 12 families.

If you would like to learn more about the Backpack Ministry, please contact Terry Becker, tennisterry40love@gmail.com or 816-516-5085.

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 thompsod5000@att.net

Cherith Brook

NOCC for the past few years has been a major source of support for clothing and funds to help cover the costs of operations. The Tuesday Women's Bible Group are providing 20 new sleeping bags to be a major part of the CB season's gift giving to guests. If you want to learn more about Cherith Brook and how you can be involved, please talk with Dale Herrick at drherrick03@gmail.com

Jubilation Ringers

The Jubilation Ringers handbell choir 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 will NOT be meeting the next two Sundays, December 25th and January 1st. They will reconvene on January 8th at 9:00AM.

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. We are currently 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