

NORTH OAK CHRISTIAN CHURCH-DISCIPLES OF CHRIST

February 4, 2024 – Fifth Sunday After the Epiphany
Worship Leader- Terry Becker, Elder- Linda Daniels, Elder- Tim Brooks,
Music- Regina Kellogg, Minister-David Nelson

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GATHER IN WORSHIP

Prelude

“Percussive Praise”

Jubilation Ringers

Invocation

Terry Becker

Call to Worship

Terry Becker

One: The prophets of old spoke of God’s justice, even when it was unwelcome. Who will hear their message?

Many: We will listen and we will hear!

One: Responding to God’s call, Jesus travelled, preaching and teaching to all who would listen. Who will hear his message?

Many: We will listen and we will hear!

One: God’s prophets are among us still, around the world and in these pews. Who will hear their message?

Many: We will listen and we will hear!

Opening Songs

Congregation

“We Sing to You, O God” TFWS #2001 vs 1,2,4

“My Life Is in You, Lord” TFWS #2032

“I Sing Praises to Your Name” TFWS #2037

Children’s Church is provided for all children. Children may leave worship now and go to Early Childhood Education (first door on left down hall)

Prayers of the People

David Nelson

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

Prayer Response

Congregation

“The Fragrance of Christ” TFWS #2205

**Lord, may our prayer rise like incense in Your sight,
May this place be filled with the fragrance of Christ**

Sermon Scripture Reading: Mark 6:1-6

Terry Becker

He left that place and came to his hometown, and his disciples followed him. On the sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astounded. They said, ‘Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are

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

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Our Life Together

Jamaican Mission Trip

Jan Brooks is preparing to go to Jamaica on a medical mission trip in late February. If you would like to help support this mission, talk to Jan directly. They could use Tylenol or Ibuprofen (tablets/caplets only, NO GEL CAPS), acne creams, children's Tylenol liquid, and A&D Ointment. Generics are OK. Fun things for children like small stuffed animals, stickers, children's books, bound notebooks, colored pencils, markers, pencils and erasers. Or you can donate funds (give to Jan) that will be used to purchase discounted medicines through Blessings International.

Lenten Events

Ash Wednesday Service - Wednesday February 14 at 7:00 p.m. - Come start the Lenten season together in spirit and song. All are invited to this celebration of God's love for us on a day centered on love.

Thursday Soup Suppers - 6:00 p.m. on Thursdays during Lent, February 15 through March 21 - Thursday night soup suppers are back! Bring a soup and join in this time of devotion, fellowship, and warm eats. We will gather in the fellowship room each Thursday, take a moment for devotion and prayer, and then sit together and sup. All are invited.

Prayer Requests

Jayne Bruno is coordinating and disseminating prayer requests via email. If you would like to make a prayer request, send it to her at prayers@nocckc.org and it will then go out to the congregation (unless you ask for privacy).

Preschool Reading Time

Many of you have seen the pictures and stories of Pastor Mark reading to the Preschool children on Wednesdays. It is quite literally the best part of his week. Cindy O'Hara has set up an additional reading time with the Preschool for YOU to come read a book or two on Mondays at 10:30 a.m. The sign-up sheet is on the office window. Sign up for a Monday and come see what the excitement is all about!

Social Justice Seekers

Watch for more information about when the next meeting will occur.

In case you missed it, here is the new link to the Zoom meeting room for Social Justice Seekers: Meetings are now accessed at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6361322700?pwd=dmZ5ZGRic2dla3VHWXVSOEg2V1NqZz09&omn=87071570030> and all are welcome.

Backpack Ministry Updates

We will need help loading groceries for delivery after worship, See Terry if you can help. It's never too late to volunteer for the Backpack Ministry. Schedules are flexible, so there's definitely one that would work for your schedule. For more information, contact Terry Becker, tennisterry4olove@gmail.com.

Family Promise

Homelessness becomes more difficult with colder weather and rainy days. Donations of winter coats, warm hats and gloves, socks, and blankets are vital for enduring the frigid temperatures. Family Promise (located at 4406 NE 45 Terrace, Kansas City, MO, 64117), provides temporary shelter, a hot meal, a hot shower, clothing, hygiene supplies and laundry services for transient and unhoused people in KC. Contact Debbie Herrick (816.510.6859) or email (thomsod5000@att.net) for info about meal preparation, collecting and delivering clothing/food donations and volunteering on any Thursday! Choose a day in the center or take a van ride to multiple locations to serve meals! Pick which Thursday to help!

Cherith Brook

Cherith Brook provides guests' showers, a hot meal, laundry services and replacement clothing to transient, un-housed people in Kansas City. Many unhoused guests find this program a safe harbor to rest and restore their bodies and spirits. NOCC provides donations of clothing and other items, as well as volunteering. To help, contact Dale Herrick for more information at drherrick03@gmail.com

Sojourners Adult Sunday School Class

To “sojourn” is to “stay someplace for a short time.” We invite you to bring your favorite cup of tea or coffee and join us for shared ideas and conversation. Bring an article, poem, or other interesting writing to share and discuss. This class meets from 9:00-10:00 a.m. every Sunday and is open to all.

Men's Bible Study

The Men's Bible Study meets on Tuesdays at 9:45 a.m. We discuss scripture and relevant topics together via Zoom. We are currently reading and discussing the Narrative Lectionary's 2023-24 Readings for Year 2 (https://www.workingpreacher.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/07/WP-Narrative-Lectionary-2023-24-Mark_rev.pdf) that Pastor Mark will be using to shape worship each week. All those who identify as male are welcome. Email David Nelson at humanagenda@gmail.com for the Zoom link and join in!