

NORTH OAK CHRISTIAN CHURCH-DISCIPLES OF CHRIST

February 25, 2024 – Second Sunday of Lent

Worship Leader- David Nelson, Elder- Tim Brooks, Elder- Linda Daniels,

Music- Regina Kellogg, Minister-Rev. Mark Willis

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GATHER IN WORSHIP

Prelude Regina Kellogg

Lenten Candle Liturgy David Nelson

Call to Worship David Nelson

One: Pilgrims, we are invited to journey through this season of Lent

Many: Towards the One who calls us each by a new name.

One: Disciples, we walk with Jesus wherever he leads us,

Many: Pulling our fears, our doubts, our longings behind us.

One: Believers, we seek to trust the God who always surprises us,

Many: Whose promises take on flesh and blood in the good news called Jesus.

Opening Songs Congregation

“Come and Find the Quiet Center” TFWS #2128

“We Walk with Jesus” (Insert)

“All I Need is You” TFWS #2080

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 Rev. Mark Willis

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

Prayer Response Congregation

“Bless the Lord” TFWS #2013

Sermon Scripture Reading: Mark 10:32-45 David Nelson

They were on the road, going up to Jerusalem, and Jesus was walking ahead of them; they were amazed, and those who followed were afraid. He took the twelve aside again and began to tell them what was to happen to him, saying, “See, we are going up to Jerusalem, and the Son of Man will be handed over to the chief priests and the scribes, and they will condemn him to death; then they will hand him over to the Gentiles; they will mock him, and spit upon him, and flog him, and kill him; and after three days he will rise again.”

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to him and said to him, “Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you.” And he said to them, “What is it you want me to do for

you?” And they said to him, “Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory.” But Jesus said to them, “You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?” They replied, “We are able.” Then Jesus said to them, “The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared.”

When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. So Jesus called them and said to them, “You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many.”

Message **“Membership Has Its Privileges”** **Rev. Mark Willis**

Special Music **“And He Never Said a Word”** **Jubilation Ringers**

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**
“Here is Bread, Here is Wine” TFWS #2266

Communion Prayer **Elder-Tim Brooks**

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 Regina Kellogg

CELEBRATION OF THE PEOPLE’S RESPONSE

Offering Moment **Spotlight on Cherith Brook** **Rev. Mark Willis**

Offering **Congregation**
Elders will pass the offering plates. Place your tithe and/or offering in the plate or you can give online through nocckc.org.

Offering Prayer **Rev. Mark Willis**

Closing Song	“Joy In the Morning” TFWS #2284	Congregation
Benediction		Rev. Mark Willis
Postlude		Regina Kellogg

**TO OUR GUESTS---WELCOME!
SHAPED BY GOD’S WORD AND GRACED AT CHRIST’S TABLE
WE WALK HUMBL Y, 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

Lenten Events

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 to share 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.

Easter Egg Hunts

We need Easter Eggs! Bring plastic eggs with candy inside Sunday, March 10 and Sunday, March 18. We will have an Easter Egg Hunt for our preschool on Friday, March 22. We will also have eggs hidden on Easter, March 31 for any children in worship that day to hunt when worship is over. We estimate we need 300 candy-filled eggs. Talk to Mark if you have questions.

Easter Lillies

You can order an Easter Lily for Easter morning. The cost is \$13 per lily. Make your donation to NOCC and put “Easter Lily” on the memo line or envelope. Please let Pastor Mark know if it is in honor of or in memory of a loved one(s). **ALL ORDERS NEED TO BE IN BY SUNDAY. MARCH 3.**

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. The church 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!

Backpack Ministry Updates

Much appreciation goes to the volunteers for January: Jill and Larry Rodgers and Ramie Beck for fetching groceries from Aldi, the Rodgers for storing and packing the food for the Bell Prairie families, and to Bob Bruno for delivering the food each week to the school. As of February 9, the balance for this ministry is \$2496.42.

Spring Break for the North Kansas City School District is March 22-March 29. As has been our custom, we will provide Aldi gift cards for use during the break totaling \$255.00. If you would like to donate money toward these gift cards, please write a check to NOCC and include "Backpack Ministry" in the memo portion of your check. For more information, contact Terry Becker, tennisterry40love@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!

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We walk with Jesus

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