

# NORTH OAK CHRISTIAN CHURCH-DISCIPLES OF CHRIST

*In the grace of God, we embrace unity, we celebrate diversity  
and demonstrate Christ's love as an open and affirming faith community.*

June 15, 2025 – Trinity Sunday

Worship Leader-Ramie Beck, Elder-Susan Arnot, Elder-Tom Hawley,

Music-Regina Kellogg, Minister-Rev. Mark Willis

## Happy Father's Day!

**Prelude**

**Regina Kellogg**

**Invocation**

**Ramie Beck**

**Call to Worship**

**Ramie Beck**

One: We have come to worship God, the living God,

**Many: Who calls prophets and teachers to bear witness.**

One: We have come to praise God, the almighty God,

**Many: Who answers the forces of hatred and hurt with the power of grace.**

One: We have come to worship God, the all-gracious God,

**Many: Who chooses even us, to receive and carry the Word of life and hope. All glory to God!**

(Based on Jer. 1:4-10)

**Songs of Praise**

**Congregation**

**"Let All Things Now Living" TFWS#2008 (All)**

**"My Life is in You Lord" TFWS #2032 (All)**

**First Scripture Reading: Jeremiah 1:4-10**

**Ramie Beck**

Now the word of the Lord came to me saying, "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations."

Then I said, "Ah, Lord God! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy." But the Lord said to me, "Do not say, 'I am only a boy,' for you shall go to all to whom I send you, and you shall speak whatever I command you. Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you, says the Lord."

Then the Lord put out his hand and touched my mouth, and the Lord said to me, "Now I have put my words in your mouth. See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms, to pluck up and to pull down, to destroy and to overthrow, to build and to plant."

**Songs of Adoration**

**Congregation**

**"Holy, Holy" TFWS #2039 vs 1,3,4,5**

**"All I Need is You" TFWS #2080 (All)**

***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 prayers@nocckc.org)***People's Response****Congregation****"O How He Loves You and Me" TFWS #2108***O how He loves you and me. O how He loves you and me. He gave his life.**What more could He give? O how He loves you. O how He loves me. O how He loves you and me.***Scripture Reading: Jeremiah 7:1-11****Ramie Beck**

The word that came to Jeremiah from the Lord: Stand in the gate of the Lord's house, and proclaim there this word, and say, Hear the word of the Lord, all you people of Judah, you who enter these gates to worship the Lord. Thus says the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel: Amend your ways and your doings, and let me dwell with you in this place. Do not trust in these deceptive words: "This is the temple of the Lord, the temple of the Lord, the temple of the Lord."

For if you truly amend your ways and your doings, if you truly act justly one with another, if you do not oppress the alien, the orphan, and the widow or shed innocent blood in this place, and if you do not go after other gods to your own hurt, then I will dwell with you in this place, in the land that I gave to your ancestors forever and ever.

Here you are, trusting in deceptive words to no avail. Will you steal, murder, commit adultery, swear falsely, make offerings to Baal, and go after other gods that you have not known and then come and stand before me in this house, which is called by my name, and say, "We are safe!"—only to go on doing all these abominations? Has this house, which is called by my name, become a den of robbers in your sight? I, too, am watching, says the Lord.

**Message****"Walk the Good News"****Rev. Mark Willis****Special Music****Regina Kellogg****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 Song****Congregation****"Stay With Us" TFWS #2199 (All)****Communion Prayer****Elder- Susan Arnot****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**

**Congregation**

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

**Offering Prayer**

**Rev. Mark Willis**

**Closing Song**

**Congregation**

**"May You Run and Not Be Weary" TFWS #2281 (All)**

**Benediction**

**Rev. Mark Willis**

**Postlude**

**Regina Kellogg**

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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](http://www.nocckc.org) [www.kcdisciples.org](http://www.kcdisciples.org) [www.disciples.org](http://www.disciples.org)**

**Contact Pastor Mark Willis at 816-616-9746 [pastor@nocckc.org](mailto:pastor@nocckc.org)**

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## **Our Life Together**

### **NOCC 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Party Thank You!**

Thank you to everyone who pitched in, helped and volunteered to help make our 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration a success. Your hard work and dedication are deeply appreciated.

### **Waterers Needed for Labyrinth Flowers**

We need your help! All of the new spring plantings in the labyrinth need to be watered regularly. We will show how and where this is done. Consider volunteering to help keep the water flowing. Let us know you can help by signing up at: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050444A8A96-56754325-water/5436143#/>

### **Mowers Needed**

We have the equipment and will teach you how to use it. MOWING MAY BE DONE ANY DAY OF THE WEEK, WHATEVER WORKS BEST FOR YOUR SCHEDULE. Question? See Bob Lewis for questions. Please consider signing up to help mow by following this link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050444A8A96-55138393-2025/69580391#/>

### **Movies and Munchies**

Movies and Munchies will meet on Thursday, July 3, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. at David and Ann Nelson's home. The movie for July is "Mr. Smith Goes to Washington", a classic with Jimmy Stewart. Please watch the movie prior to attending. Bring a sharable food item and your favorite beverage. At 7:00 p.m. there is a guided discussion of the movie and its themes. All are welcome, contact David Nelson to RSVP at [humanagenda@gmail.com](mailto:humanagenda@gmail.com)

### **Prayer Requests**

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

### **Backpack Ministry Updates**

On behalf of Bell Prairie Elementary School families, a huge thank you to Linda Daniels for packing and delivering food for the month of May! NOCC has also paid \$360.00 in lunch debts. The Backpack Ministry will be "at rest" for now, but we'll be "back in business" in August, preparing for the 2025-26 school year. Thank you to all who have supported this ministry financially, prayerfully, and have volunteered your time to pack and deliver the much-needed food. NOCC is so blessed that we can help our neighbors.

### **Family Promise**

Give the gift of time by volunteering to serve at Family Promise of the Northland, located at 4406 NE 45th Terrace, Kansas City, MO 64117. Family Promise provides temporary shelter and services for transient and unhoused people in the Northland and Kansas City area. The Center is open on Thursday from 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Contact Debbie Herrick (816.510.6859) or email ([thompsod5000@att.net](mailto:thompsod5000@att.net)) for more information.

### **Cherith Brook**

Cherith Brook is humbled and appreciative by the wonderful support given by NOCC during the Lenten season. NOCC has provided donations of 405 rolls of toilet paper, 4 quarts of hand sanitizer and a dozen disposable razors. In addition, over 40 bags of clothing have been provided by our ministry partner, The Resale Shop. The Lenten offering taken up for Cherith was \$1,645, which will be donated to expenses in Cherith's program. Thank you, Church, for the gifts of support to our community. To help, contact Dale Herrick for more information at [drherrick03@gmail.com](mailto:drherrick03@gmail.com)

### **Sojourners Adult Sunday School Class**

To "sojourn" is to stay someplace a short time. We meet every Sunday from 9-10 a.m. to have moral and spiritual discourse. Bring your favorite cup of tea or coffee and join us for shared ideas and conversation. The first Sunday each month is led by Pastor Linda Miller, and the last Sunday each month is led by Pastor Mark Willis. At North Oak Christian Church, we are welcoming to all members of the human family and celebrate the delightful diversity of God's creation. You are invited to join in and to suggest a current topic or issue for discussion.

### **Monthly Men's Breakfast at Kate's Kitchen**

All those who identify as male are invited to a men's breakfast at Kate's Kitchen, 8002 North Oak Trafficway on the first Saturday of every month at 7:45 a.m. This gathering is for fellowship and connection as we begin our Saturday together with good food and good friends.

### **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 following the Narrative Lectionary which can be found at:  
[https://www.workingpreacher.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/01/narrative\\_lectionary\\_summer\\_2025.pdf](https://www.workingpreacher.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/01/narrative_lectionary_summer_2025.pdf). All  
those who identify as male are welcome. Email Pastor Mark at [markswillis@gmail.com](mailto:markswillis@gmail.com) for the link.