

**St. John's:
Making and Maturing
Disciples of Jesus Christ**

I TELL YOU THE TRUTH,
UNLESS A
KERNEL OF WHEAT
FALLS TO THE GROUND
AND DIES, IT REMAINS
ONLY A SINGLE SEED.
BUT IF IT DIES,
IT PRODUCES MANY
SEEDS.



JOHN 12:24

**ST. JOHN'S EVANGELICAL CHURCH
211 EAST CARROL STREET
KENTON, OH 43326**

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“Making and Maturing Disciples of Jesus Christ”

Fifth Sunday in Lent

March 18, 2018

Nursery is provided off the sanctuary for children 0-4 years of age.

Contemporary Worship Service

8:30 AM

Welcome

Praise

Prayer

Children's Message

The Source of Salvation

Hebrews 5:9

Hannah Flowers

Offering – **Please sign and pass the pew attendance pads**

Scripture

Hebrews 5:5-10

John 12:20-33

(The scripture can be found in the bulletin.)

Sermon

We Are Christ-Centered

Praise

Benediction

Traditional Worship Service

10:30 AM

Nursery is provided off the sanctuary for children 0-4 years of age.

“TOLLING OF THE BELLS”

(Let us begin to still our hearts and minds for worship with the tolling of the bells.)

Welcome

Prelude

O Jesus

U. Burnap

***Hymn # 72**

My Jesus, I Love Thee

***Call to Worship**

Liturgist: Michelle Becker

L: Leader **C: Congregation**

Psalm 51:9-12

L: Hide Your face from my sins,
and blot out all my iniquities.

**C: Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and renew a right spirit within me.**

L: Cast me not away from Your presence,
and take not Your Holy Spirit from me.

**C: Restore to me the joy of Your salvation,
and uphold me with a willing spirit.**

***The Gloria Patri**

Let Us Pray Unto the Lord:

The Pastoral Prayer

Sunday's Child: Jazmyn Cottrell – Springfield, OH

Missions of the Month: Angels for the Elderly

The Lord's Prayer (*Debts/Debtors*)

Children's Choir

Deep and Wide

Children's Message

Hope Cauley

Hymn # 73

O Jesus, King Most Wonderful

Giving of Tithes and Offerings:

Offering Prayer

Offertory *Westminster Chime*

L. Ellis

Please sign and pass the pew attendance pads

*The Doxology

Scripture

Hebrews 5:5-10

John 12:20-33

(The scripture can be found in the bulletin.)

Sermon

We Are Christ-Centered

***Hymn # 75**

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

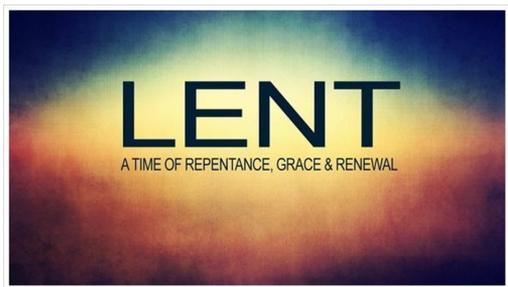
***Benediction**

Postlude

All Love Excelling

C. Wesley

*—Those who are able, please stand



Welcome Center

If you are a first time visitor or would like additional information about the church, we invite you to stop by our welcome desk and see what St. John's has to offer.

Thank you for your service:

Ushers: 3/18: Owen & Ruby Styer; Augustin & Angel Forester

3/25: Weaver family

Scripture Readings:

Hebrews 5:5-10 (ESV):

⁵ So also Christ did not exalt Himself to be made a high priest, but was appointed by Him who said to Him,

“You are My Son,
today I have begotten You”;

⁶ as He says also in another place,

“You are a priest forever,
after the order of Melchizedek.”

⁷ In the days of His flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to Him who was able to save Him from death, and He was heard because of His reverence. ⁸ Although He was a son, He learned obedience through what He suffered. ⁹ And being made perfect, He became the source of eternal salvation to all who obey Him, ¹⁰ being designated by God a high priest after the order of Melchizedek.

John 12:20-33 (ESV):

²⁰ Now among those who went up to worship at the feast were some Greeks. ²¹ So these came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and asked him, “Sir, we wish to see Jesus.” ²² Philip went and told Andrew; Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. ²³ And Jesus answered them, “The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. ²⁴ Truly, truly, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains alone; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. ²⁵ Whoever loves his life loses it, and whoever hates his life in this world will keep it for eternal life. ²⁶ If anyone serves Me, he must follow Me; and where I am, there will My servant be also. If anyone serves Me, the Father will honor him.

²⁷ “Now is My soul troubled. And what shall I say? ‘Father, save Me from this hour’? But for this purpose I have come to this hour. ²⁸ Father, glorify Your name.” Then a voice came from heaven: “I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.” ²⁹ The crowd that stood there and heard it said that it had thundered. Others said, “An angel has spoken to Him.” ³⁰ Jesus answered, “This voice has come for your sake, not Mine. ³¹ Now is the judgment of this world; now will the ruler of this world be cast out. ³² And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to Myself.” ³³ He said this to show by what kind of death He was going to die.

Kid & Youth Corner:

Last Week's Attendance: 11

Last Week's Offering: \$1.75

Wed. Night Kids and Youth attendance: 32



Blaze's Pizzeria and Spaghetti House will be open for one night only: **Saturday, March 24 from 5-7pm**. Please join us for pizza or spaghetti, salad, bread, drinks and dessert.

The proceeds will go to his family as he continues to fight this nasty cancer. Put this date on your calendar so you can support this wonderful family. Please see Amy if you are willing to be a waiter for one evening or help do dishes. All hands are needed to make this a success.

If you would like to volunteer at **Blaze's Pizzeria** on **March 24**, please sign up on the sheets on the bulletin board across from the office. Even if you cannot make it that night, you can help prepare the night before or bake brownies.

Thank you for your support of Blaze and his family!

Easter is just around the corner.

Please plan to spend the morning at St. Johns with your church family.

- **Worship** at either **8:30** or **10:30**.
- The youth will prepare you a tasty **breakfast** that morning from **9:30-10:15**.

Egg hunt will be at 10:00am.



Week at a Glance:

- Today 3/18: 8:30 AM Contemporary Worship Service
9:30 AM Sunday School
10:30 PM Traditional Worship Service
1-3 PM Passion Play Practice – ALL
5:30 – 8 PM High School Youth- Methodist Church
6:00 PM Community Lenten Service – Epworth UMC (Pastor Manns)
6:00 PM Beazley Life Group- FH
7:30 PM NA Meeting – Chapel
- Monday, 3/19: 3:15 PM Staff Meeting
4-5:30 PM Girl Scouts
- Tuesday, 3/20: 11:00 AM Betty Kettle Service- Chapel (visitation 10-11 am)
12:00 PM Prayer - Sanctuary
12:00 PM AA Meeting – Downstairs
2:00 PM Vancrest Bible Study – Ada
6:30 PM Celebrate Recovery – Chapel
6:45 PM Bell Practice
7:15 PM Myers Life Group - FH
- Wednesday, 3/21: 5 – 6:30 PM Kid’s Night (K-grade 2)
5:30 – 7:00 PM Kid’s Night (grades 3-5)
6 – 7:30 PM Middle School Youth At Bostleman’s
6:00 PM Children’s Choir
7:00 PM Chancel Choir
- Thursday, 3/22: 12:00 PM AA Meeting – Chapel
6:00 PM Praise Team – Sanctuary
- Friday, 3/23: 12:00 PM Prayer - Sanctuary
5:00 PM NA Meeting – Chapel
6:00 PM HA Meeting- Chapel
- Saturday, 3/24: 7:30 AM Men’s Prayer Breakfast- Henry’s
12:00 PM NA Meeting – Chapel
5-7 PM Blaze’s Pizzeria – FH



Jack & Shirley Draper will be celebrating their 70th Wedding Anniversary on March 21. If you would like to send a card, their address is: 805 Vernon Street, Kenton, OH 43326.

Announcements and Upcoming Events

Missing Child: our prayers today go out to Jazmyn Cottrell missing since December 28, 2017 from Springfield, OH.

Mission of the Month: Angels for the Elderly

March is Pastor's Wife Appreciation Month: I would like to thank Women's Ministry for the gift for Pastor's Wife Appreciation Month. I am humbled to be in service for the Lord. Thank you again! Kathy

Community Lenten Services: Sundays at 6:00 PM at Epworth United Methodist Church. March 18 - Jason Manns (New Hope)

Cookie Donations: A sign-up sheet is in the back of the sanctuary on the credenza if you could provide cookies for the reception following the Community Palm Sunday Service. Please have cookies here on Sunday, March 25. Thank you!



Community Palm Sunday Service: The Hardin County Ministerial Association will be sponsoring its annual ecumenical Palm Sunday worship service at St. John's Evangelical Church on Sunday, March 25 at 6:30 PM. The Kenton High School Chorale will also be performing that evening.

The Passion of Christ: St. John's Evangelical Church will present its annual portrayal of "The Passion of Christ." This event will take place Thursday and Friday evening, **March 29 & 30 at 8:00 p.m.** The Pasion of Christ Play is a portrayal of the last week of Christ's life on Earth. It brings to light the emotions of betrayal and abandonment that Christ experienced, as well as, the agony and suffering that Christ endured at the time of His death. Please contact Kendra Dilts, Miranda Strous, or Julie Strous with any questions.



Rehearsals: March 18, & 25: 1-3 PM in Sanctuary for **ALL**

March 26: Dress rehearsal at 6:30 PM

March 27: Dress rehearsal at 8:00 PM

Church Lawn Mowing: If anyone is interested in mowing the church lawn, please see Greg Martin for more information.

Art Show Invite: Faith Christian Church, Lima, is hosting an art show on Saturday, April 7 from 1-8 PM. Submission would be: What would your version of The Last Supper look like in 2018? Draw, paint, sculpt, mold, live art (or any other art form) of your version of the “Last Supper” in 2018. Put a price tag on your art and someone may purchase it. If you are interested in participating, please email your name, address, phone number and chosen media form to: faithcc1@midohio.twcbc.com.

Graduation Sunday: Looking for all members who graduate from high school, college, or trade school for recognition in May, possibly May 13. Please contact the church office with information.

Confirmation Class: We are looking to see who might be interested in confirmation class in the fall. Eligible participants must be grade 7 or higher in the fall. Most likely, confirmation will be held on Sundays during the Sunday School hour.

We will also need to find Confirmation teachers to work with the Pastor to meet with the participants on Sunday mornings. If you are interested in more information, please contact Pastor Randall or the church office.

Hiring- Position Available: St. John’s Evangelical Church seeks an outgoing individual to serve as Associate Pastor to Youth and Adults. St. John’s seeks a leader who has a passion for God and is innovative with a collaborative spirit. Our ideal candidate would enthusiastically design and lead programs that engage the spiritual needs of young people while encouraging their families to grow in Christian faith and participate in the life of St. John’s Evangelical Church.. The candidate will participate in the planning, leading and supervising of these spiritual programs and assist with church duties when called upon. The candidate would also be responsible for visiting shut-ins, sharing sacraments of Baptism or Holy Communion when needed.

For more information, please contact Kristina VanBuskirk, Chair of Personnel Committee. A job description is available in the church office. Resumes can be sent to the church, Attention Personnel or emailed to stjohnskenton@gmail.com.



**Golden Buckeye Class & Friends
Spring Outing**

Monday, April 23, 2018

5:30 pm at (Bus leaving at 5:00 pm)

The Amish Home of Nancy Helmuth
9063 US 68 S (between Kenton and Bellefontaine)



MENU:

*Pan Fried Chicken ~ Roast Beef
Mashed Potatoes ~ Gravy
Corn
Chicken and Noodles
Broccoli Salad
Dinner Rolls
Assorted Pies
Coffee/Iced Tea/Lemonade*

COST OF MEAL: \$15.00

**RESERVATIONS ALONG WITH \$15.00 PER PERSON
MUST BE MADE WITH CAROL DOWNEY BY SUNDAY,
APRIL 15, 2018.**

Please see Carole Downey to register or contact her at
419-675-1809 or 567-674-4466 with any questions.

**Volunteers
Needed!**

WAM
Committee
is currently
looking for
volunteers to
greet and usher at both
services as well as someone
to coordinate ushers and
volunteers for the first
service. No experience
required, just a smile and a
desire to serve Christ!
Speak to Nancy
Richenbacker or Kendra
Dilts for more information.



The month of March is the pastor's wife appreciation month. It takes a special person to be the pastor's wife. For it is not an easy task or a simple way of life. The phone often rings at dinner time. Vacation they are few with too many needs in our church. There is always lots to do when people need a helping hand. On you they can depend for you always try to do your best to be a faithful Friend. We appreciate you Kathy and all that you do for the congregation of this church. You are not only a wife to your husband and mother of your children but also a support for all the weight the pastor carries for this congregation. The women's ministry and this congregation appreciate all that you do. Blessings in the name of Christ!

Summary of Finances for February 2018

<u>Income:</u>	
Envelopes	\$17,682.00
Loose offering and faith time	<u>\$ 556.00</u>
Total Income	\$18,238.00
<u>Expenses:</u>	
Staff Expense	\$11,167.00
Administration Expense	\$ 513.00
Utilities & Maintenance (electric is \$1625.00 & Gas \$1915.00)	\$ 3,993.00
WAM	\$ 119.00
Christian Ed	\$ 14.00
Video	\$ 196.00
Evangelism	\$ 61.00
Youth	<u>\$ 0.00</u>
Total Expense	\$ 16,063.00
POSITIVE BALANCE	\$2,175.00

Reminder: The food and supplies for Wednesday program is provided by money from Fred Welter Mission Fund thus less expense for Christian Ed.

