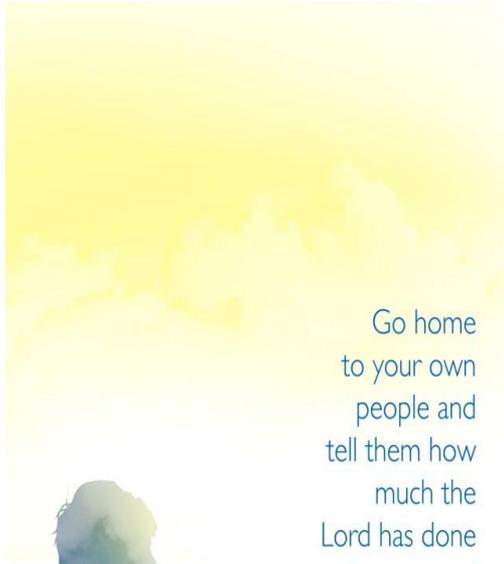


12 August 2018

Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

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



Go home  
to your own  
people and  
tell them how  
much the  
Lord has done  
for you, and  
how he has  
had mercy  
on you.

Mark 5:19

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## “Making and Maturing Disciples of Jesus Christ”

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## Contemporary Worship Service

**8:30 AM**

Welcome

Praise

Prayer

Children's Message    **Blessing of the Backpacks**    Hannah Flowers

Prayer (unison)

**God of Wisdom, we give You thanks for schools and classrooms and for the teachers and students who fill them each day. We thank You for this new beginning, for new books and new ideas. We thank You for sharpened pencils, pointy crayons, and crisp blank pages waiting to be filled. We thank You for the gift of making mistakes and trying again. Help us to remember that asking the right questions is often as important as giving the right answers. Today we give You thanks for these Your children, and we ask You to bless them with curiosity, understanding and respect. May their backpacks be a sign to them that they have everything they need to learn and grow this year in school and in Sunday School. May they be guided by Your love. All this we ask in the name of Jesus, who as a child in the temple showed His longing to learn about You, and as an adult taught by story and example Your great love for us. Amen.**



# Traditional Worship Service

10:30 AM

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## **“TOLLING OF THE BELLS”**

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

**Welcome**

**Prelude** *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*

**\*Hymn # 43** *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*

**\*Call to Worship** Liturgist: Michelle Becker

L: Leader **C: Congregation**

### **Psalm 9:9-11**

L: The Lord is a stronghold for the oppressed,

**C: a stronghold in times of trouble.**

L: And those who know Your name put their trust in You,

**C: for You, O Lord, have not forsaken those who seek You.**

L: Sing praises to the Lord, who sits enthroned in Zion!

**C: Tell among the peoples His deeds!**

**\*The Gloria Patri**

**Let Us Pray Unto the Lord:**

The Pastoral Prayer

Missing Child: Kay Crabb – Springfiled, OH

Missions of the Month: Operation Sleep Tight

The Lord’s Prayer (*Debts/Debtors*)

**Special Music**

*Just Be Held*

Casting Crowns

Natasha & Sydney Dyer

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**Installation of Youth Pastor – Michele Sherman**

**Hymn # 37                      *Great is Thy Faithfulness***

**Giving of Tithes and Offerings:**

Offering Prayer

Offertory                      *Love Lifted Me*

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

\*The Doxology

**Scripture                                      Psalm 57:1-5  
    Mark 5:1-20**

*(The scripture can be found in the bulletin.)*

**Sermon                                      **Doesn't Jesus Like Bacon?****

**\*Hymn # 302                      *I Love to Tell the Story***

**\*Benediction**

**Postlude                                      *I Love to Tell the Story***

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\*—Those who are able, please stand

## **Scripture Readings (ESV):**

### **Psalm 57:1-5:**

<sup>1</sup>Be merciful to me, O God, be merciful to me,  
for in You my soul takes refuge;  
in the shadow of Your wings I will take refuge,  
till the storms of destruction pass by.

<sup>2</sup>I cry out to God Most High,  
to God who fulfills His purpose for me.

<sup>3</sup>He will send from heaven and save me;  
He will put to shame him who tramples on me. *Selah*  
God will send out His steadfast love and His faithfulness!

<sup>4</sup>My soul is in the midst of lions;  
I lie down amid fiery beasts—  
the children of man, whose teeth are spears and arrows,  
whose tongues are sharp swords.

<sup>5</sup>Be exalted, O God, above the heavens!  
Let Your glory be over all the earth!

### **Mark 5:1-20:**

<sup>1</sup>They came to the other side of the sea, to the country of the Gerasenes. <sup>2</sup>And when Jesus had stepped out of the boat, immediately there met Him out of the tombs a man with an unclean spirit. <sup>3</sup>He lived among the tombs. And no one could bind him anymore, not even with a chain, <sup>4</sup>for he had often been bound with shackles and chains, but he wrenched the chains apart, and he broke the shackles in pieces. No one had the strength to subdue him. <sup>5</sup>Night and day among the tombs and on the mountains he was always crying out and cutting himself with stones. <sup>6</sup>And when he saw Jesus from afar, he ran and fell down before Him. <sup>7</sup>And crying out with a loud voice, he said, “What have You to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I adjure You by God, do not torment me.” <sup>8</sup>For He was saying to him, “Come out of the man, you unclean spirit!” <sup>9</sup>And Jesus asked him, “What is your name?” He replied, “My name is Legion, for we are many.” <sup>10</sup>And he begged Him earnestly not to send them out of the country. <sup>11</sup>Now a great herd of pigs was feeding there on the hillside, <sup>12</sup>and they begged Him, saying, “Send us to the pigs; let us enter them.” <sup>13</sup>So He gave them permission. And the

unclean spirits came out and entered the pigs; and the herd, numbering about two thousand, rushed down the steep bank into the sea and drowned in the sea.

<sup>14</sup>The herdsmen fled and told it in the city and in the country. And people came to see what it was that had happened. <sup>15</sup>And they came to Jesus and saw the demon-possessed man, the one who had had the legion, sitting there, clothed and in his right mind, and they were afraid.<sup>16</sup>And those who had seen it described to them what had happened to the demon-possessed man and to the pigs. <sup>17</sup>And they began to beg Jesus to depart from their region. <sup>18</sup>As He was getting into the boat, the man who had been possessed with demons begged Him that he might be with Him. <sup>19</sup>And He did not permit him but said to him, “Go home to your friends and tell them how much the Lord has done for you, and how He has had mercy on you.” <sup>20</sup>And he went away and began to proclaim in the Decapolis how much Jesus had done for him, and everyone marveled.

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**Summary of Finances for July 2018**

Income:

Envelopes	\$21,092.00
Loose offering and faith time	<u>\$ 660.00</u>
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$21,752.00</b>

Expenses:

Staff Expense	\$11,052.00
Administration Expense	\$ 399.00
Utilities & Maintenance (electric is \$2003.00)	\$ 3,572.00
WAM	\$ 168.00
Christian Ed	\$ 1,048.00
Video	\$ 168.00
Evangelism	\$ 36.00
Youth	<u>\$ 0.00</u>
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>\$ 16,466.00</b>

**BALANCE** **\$5,106.00**

Sermon Notes

**12 August 2018**

Scripture: **Psalm 57:1-5; Mark 5:1-20**

Sermon: **Doesn't Jesus Like Bacon?**

1. Where are the spiritual battles raging today? Who are the ones pushed to the fringes like the demoniac in the Gospel lesson?
2. How can we confront these people and situations in love with conviction? What prevents us from accomplishing this vital ministry?
3. Doing God's work can disrupt the *status quo*. How can we help people understand there's a better future ahead if we live it out in God's will? What would help to explain and do this?
4. Are you prepared to go and tell what the Lord has done for you? Are you still afraid to be confronted by Christ's power and His calling upon you? Please pray that the Holy Spirit demonstrates Christ's power to you and convicts you to share the gospel of Jesus Christ.

## Week at a Glance:

Today 8/12:	8:30 AM Contemporary Worship Service 9:30 AM Sunday School 10:30 AM Traditional Worship Service 5-6 PM Forest Court- School Supplies 5-7 PM Youth Meet & Greet – Youth Room 7:30 PM NA Meeting – Chapel
Monday, 8/13:	3:15 PM Staff
Tuesday, 8/14:	12:00 PM Prayer - Sanctuary 12:00 PM AA Meeting – Chapel 2:00 PM Vancrest Bible Study – Ada 6:30 PM Celebrate Recovery – FH
Wednesday, 8/15:	7:00 PM Bible Study (Judges 16:1-22) Chapel
Thursday, 8/16:	12:00 PM AA Meeting – Chapel 6-7:30 PM Praise Team 6:30 PM Tailor Made Life Group – Chapel
Friday, 8/17:	11:30 AM Friday w/Friends – Crazy Lady Forest 12:00 PM Prayer - Sanctuary 5:00 PM NA – Chapel 6:00 PM HA – Chapel
Saturday, 8/18:	7:30 AM Men's Prayer Breakfast- Henry's 12:00 PM NA Meeting – Chapel

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**Mission Trip Opportunity:** Pastor Mark Bishop is organizing a trip to Appalachia possibly in October or November and would like to see if anyone is interested. Appalachia Service Project is a Christian ministry, open to all people, that inspires hope and service through volunteer home repair and replacement in Central Appalachia. It has been serving people in Appalachia since its founding by Rev. Tex Evens in 1969. The goal is to make homes "warmer, safer, and drier." Fall projects of 2 to 5 days in September thru December are available in Kentucky, Tennessee, West Virginia and Virginia. NO experience or SKILLED needed. Please check out their website at [www.asphome.org](http://www.asphome.org). If interested, please contact the church office or Pastor Randall. Pastor Bishop can organize an informational meeting.



## **Kid's Corner:**

Our visit to Forest Court will be on Sunday, not Monday. We will meet at the play area from 5-6 pm and hand out hot dogs, drinks, play a few games and give out some school supplies. Please park at the rental area if you are joining us.



(If weather is rainy, we will not be going.)

Today, our middle and high school kids will be working on posters about camp. Please go to middle classroom during Sunday School.

We need help for Wednesday nights with kids. Please see Amy or Michele.

## **Announcements and Upcoming Events**

**Missing Child:** our prayers today go out to Kay Crabb missing since February 6, 2018 from Springfield, OH.

**Mission of the Month:** Operation Sleep Tight

**Forest Court – Distributing School Supplies: Tonight** from 5-6 pm. Will also have hot dogs & games.

**Youth Meet & Greet: Tonight** from 5-7 pm in the Youth Room. Pizza and drinks provided!

**Hardin County Collective Youth Group:** August 19 from 3-7:30 PM at Camp Common Grounds, County Road 35, Dunkirk. All youth ages 7th-12th grade welcome to join these events! This event will be free for all youth that attend. We will have Games, Pizza, Music, Ministry led by Pastor David Roy and S'mores. Bring a friend! We are looking forward to this new Community Ministry! Michele, our new youth pastor is attending.



**BUS RUNNING:** Meet at Kenton First Methodist Church at 2:30 to catch a ride to Camp Common Grounds. Should return about 7:45.

**Must reserve a seat by Saturday, August 18 by calling Christa at 419-673-3205.**

**Summer Bible Study: Wednesday evenings at 7:00 PM:**

8/15: Judges 16:1-22; 8/22: Judges 16:23-31; 8/29 Hebrews 11:1-3; 32-40

**Red Cross Blood Drive:** August 27 from 12-6 PM at Kenton First Baptist Church (11543 CR 175). To schedule an appt. call 1-800-Red CROSS or visit RedCrossBlood.org, sponsor code: Kenton.

**Confirmation Class:** *Confirmation Class will begin September 2 during Sunday School hour.* They will go over the class outline and expectations. Eligible participants must be grade 7 or higher. Students will have September 9 off for the fair and resume September 16. Please contact the office immediately if you will attend, we are ordering material. Miranda Strous will teach the class. Students will also meet with the Pastor once a month for breakfast or lunch.

**Worship Service Schedule Change – September 9:** We will have one worship service at 8:30 on September 9 as the Praise Team was asked to play at the Fair Community Service.

**Bell Choir:** Begins September 11 at 6:45 PM. All welcome!

**Children’s Choir:** Begins September 12 at 6 PM. All Kids welcome!

**Chancel Choir:** Begins September 12 at 7 PM. All welcome!

**Kids Wednesday Night Program:** Begins September 26 from 5-7 PM.

**Middle School Youth:** Begins September 26 from 6-7:30 PM.

**Adult Education and Life Groups:** We are in need of someone to help coordinate Adult Education or lead a short-term life group in the fall. The goal would be to offer more adult education opportunities and short-term life group, for example book studies. Please see the July newsletter article or Pastor Randall for more information.

**August Newsletter Information:** A question was asked why council minutes were not included in the August newsletter. Council did not meet in the month of June due to VBS, so no minutes available. July minutes will be included in the September newsletter once they are approved at the August meeting. Only minutes that have been approved by Council are published, so that is why there is a two month lag in publishing. As always, if you have questions, you may speak to a Council member.

**Bulletin Announcements:** due by Friday at 9:00 AM.

## **A Prayer of Repentance and Salvation**

**Dear Heavenly Father, I thank You for Your Son, Jesus Christ, and for His death on the Cross for my sins and for the sins of the whole world.**

**I repent of my sins and turn to You for salvation. I surrender my life to You; come live in me.**

**Change me, cleanse me, forgive me, and make me the person that You want me to be in this world.**

**I receive You, Jesus Christ, as my personal Lord and Savior, today and forever more.**

**In Your holy name I pray. Amen.**

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### **WORSHIP LEADERS:**

Senior Minister: Rev. Dr. Randall J. Forester

Contemporary Worship Leader: Kendra Dilts

Chancel Choir Director: David Beazley

Cherub & Children's Choir Director: Hope Cauley

Bell Choir Director: Jane Baker

Organist/Pianists: Randall S. Rogers, Teresa Broseke, Linda Zeigler

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### **Last Week:**

Attendance:                    8:30 a.m.:        62  
    10:30 a.m.:        96

Envelopes and Loose Offerings: \$7070.00

Loose \$1.00 bills - Good Samaritan Fund: \$19.00

Total of August (Operation Sleep Tight): \$336.00

F.A.I.T.H. Time:

Golden Buckeye Attendance – 14

Golden Buckeye Offering – \$19.00