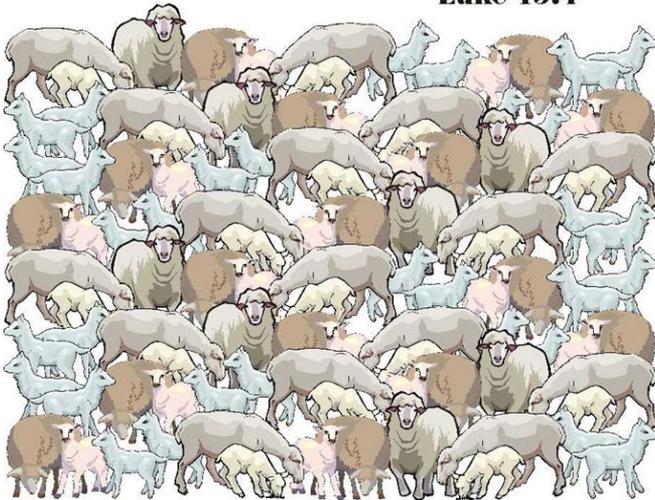


**St. John's:  
Making and Maturing  
Disciples of Jesus Christ**

**Which one of you,  
having a hundred sheep  
and losing one of them,  
does not leave the  
ninety-nine in the  
wilderness and go after  
the one that is lost  
until he finds it?**



**Luke 15.4**



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## **“Making and Maturing Disciples of Jesus Christ”**

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**Sixth Sunday after Epiphany**

**February 17, 2019**

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

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## **Contemporary Worship Service**

**8:30 AM**

Welcome

Praise

Prayer

Children's Message

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

Scripture

**Proverbs 29:1-3**

**Luke 15**

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

Sermon

**Still a Place for You**

Praise

Benediction



**Giving of Tithes and Offerings:**

Offering Prayer

Offertory

*Praise Him*

W. J. Reynold

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

\*The Doxology

**Scripture**

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**Sermon**

**Still a Place for You**

\*Hymn # 457

*Lead On, O King Eternal*

\*Benediction

**Postlude**

*O King Eternal*

H. T. Smart

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\*—Those who are able, please stand



**Welcome to St. John's!**

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

### **Proverbs 29:1-3:**

- <sup>1</sup>He who is often reproved, yet stiffens his neck,  
will suddenly be broken beyond healing.
- <sup>2</sup>When the righteous increase, the people rejoice,  
but when the wicked rule, the people groan.
- <sup>3</sup>He who loves wisdom makes his father glad,  
but a companion of prostitutes squanders his wealth.

### **Luke 15:**

- <sup>1</sup>Now the tax collectors and sinners were all drawing near to hear Him. <sup>2</sup>And the Pharisees and the scribes grumbled, saying, “This man receives sinners and eats with them.”
- <sup>3</sup>So He told them this parable: <sup>4</sup>“What man of you, having a hundred sheep, if he has lost one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the open country, and go after the one that is lost, until he finds it? <sup>5</sup>And when he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders, rejoicing. <sup>6</sup>And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and his neighbors, saying to them, ‘Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.’ <sup>7</sup>Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.
- <sup>8</sup>“Or what woman, having ten silver coins, if she loses one coin, does not light a lamp and sweep the house and seek diligently until she finds it? <sup>9</sup>And when she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, ‘Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.’ <sup>10</sup>Just so, I tell you, there is joy before the angels of God over one sinner who repents.”
- <sup>11</sup>And He said, “There was a man who had two sons. <sup>12</sup>And the younger of them said to his father, ‘Father, give me the share of property that is coming to me.’ And he divided his property between them. <sup>13</sup>Not many days later, the younger son gathered all he had and took a journey into a far country, and there he squandered his property in reckless living. <sup>14</sup>And when he had spent everything, a severe famine arose in that country, and he began to be in need. <sup>15</sup>So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country,

who sent him into his fields to feed pigs. <sup>16</sup> And he was longing to be fed with the pods that the pigs ate, and no one gave him anything.

<sup>17</sup> “But when he came to himself, he said, ‘How many of my father’s hired servants have more than enough bread, but I perish here with hunger! <sup>18</sup> I will arise and go to my father, and I will say to him, ‘Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you. <sup>19</sup> I am no longer worthy to be called your son. Treat me as one of your hired servants.’” <sup>20</sup> And he arose and came to his father. But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and felt compassion, and ran and embraced him and kissed him. <sup>21</sup> And the son said to him, ‘Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son.’ <sup>22</sup> But the father said to his servants, ‘Bring quickly the best robe, and put it on him, and put a ring on his hand, and shoes on his feet. <sup>23</sup> And bring the fattened calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate. <sup>24</sup> For this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found.’ And they began to celebrate.

<sup>25</sup> “Now his older son was in the field, and as he came and drew near to the house, he heard music and dancing. <sup>26</sup> And he called one of the servants and asked what these things meant. <sup>27</sup> And he said to him, ‘Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fattened calf, because he has received him back safe and sound.’ <sup>28</sup> But he was angry and refused to go in. His father came out and entreated him, <sup>29</sup> but he answered his father, ‘Look, these many years I have served you, and I never disobeyed your command, yet you never gave me a young goat, that I might celebrate with my friends. <sup>30</sup> But when this son of yours came, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fattened calf for him!’ <sup>31</sup> And he said to him, ‘Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. <sup>32</sup> It was fitting to celebrate and be glad, for this your brother was dead, and is alive; he was lost, and is found.’”

Sermon Notes  
**17 February 2019**

Scripture: **Proverbs 29:1-3; Luke 15**

Sermon: **Still a Place for You**

1. How have you experienced God's forgiving mercy? How have you humbled yourself to accept God's direction for your life?
2. How does knowing that there is still/always a place for you in God's kingdom free you and empower you to serve Him and to be reformed by Him?
3. How can we incorporate the extraordinary acts of God's love into our church life in such a way that they seem ordinary and usual? How can we weave that love into the fabric of our church life?
4. How will you stretch out your hands toward those who suffer, to rest upon the shoulders of all who come, and to offer the blessing that emerges from the immensity of God's love?

## **Week at a Glance:**

- Today 2/17: 8:30 AM Contemporary Worship Service  
9:30 AM Sunday School  
10:30 AM Traditional Worship Service  
5 – 6:30 PM Beazley LG – FH  
5 – 7 PM Cub Scouts  
7:30 PM NA Meeting – Chapel
- Monday, 2/18: 3:15 PM Staff  
4:30 – 6 PM Girl Scouts
- Tuesday, 2/19: 12:00 PM Prayer  
12:00 PM AA – Chapel  
2:00 PM Vancrest Bible Study – Ada  
6:30 PM Celebrate Recovery – Chapel  
6:45 PM Bells  
7:30 PM Myers LG – FH
- Wednesday, 2/20: 5-7 PM Kid's Night  
6-7:30 PM MS Youth  
6:00 PM Children's Choir  
7:00 PM Chancel Choir
- Thursday, 2/21: 12:00 PM AA Meeting – Chapel  
6:15 PM Praise Team Practice  
6:30 PM Tailor Made LG – FH
- Friday, 2/22: 12:00 PM Prayer - Sanctuary  
5:00 PM NA – Chapel  
6 -8:30 PM Celebrate Recovery – FH
- Saturday, 2/23: 7:30 AM Men's Prayer Breakfast-  
McDonalds  
12:00 PM NA Meeting – Chapel

**Middle School Youth, High School Youth and Confirmation Class will not meet today due to the Youth Winter Retreat in Maria Stein. Hope to see you all back next week!**

## Announcements and Upcoming Events

**Missing Child:** our prayers today go out to Claudia Cottrill missing since February 1, 2019 from Lancaster, OH.

**Mission of the Month:** Shine FM

**Passion Play Interest:** We will present our annual portrayal of “The Passion of Christ.” This event will take place, Thursday and Friday evening, April 18th and 19th at 8:00 p.m. We are also reaching out to our community, with hopes of bringing many different denominations together, to demonstrate Unity in Christ. The following are available: non-speaking parts, small and large speaking parts, sound/lighting technicians, prop/set help and more. Rehearsals will be Sunday afternoons from 1:00-3:00 pm, starting Sunday, February 24th. Dress rehearsals will be Tuesday, April 16th. A sign-up sheet is in the back on the credenza. If you have questions, we invite you to contact Julie Strous (419-673-1587), Miranda Strous (567-674-1256), Kendra Dilts (419-674-1336) or the church office (419-673-7278).

**Ash Wednesday Service:** March 6 at 7:00 PM.

**The Passion Play Performances:** April 18 & 19 at 8:00 PM.

### Easter Sunday Worship Schedule:

7:00 AM – Community Sunrise Service –  
Jerry Cross Park

8:30 AM – Contemporary Worship Service

9:30 AM – Breakfast (Youth fundraiser)

10:30 AM – Traditional Worship Service



**VBS – Save the Date:** June 10-13 from 6-8 PM for children preschool (potty-trained) through grade 5. Please prayerfully consider how you can help or volunteer. Watch the bulletin and newsletter for more information.

### Youth Summer Camp – Mark your calendars:

HCC MS & HS Youth: Camp Common Grounds – Dunkirk: June 19-23

Middle School – Camp Cotubic - Bellefontaine: July 7-12

Let Michele Sherman know if interested, more information to come.



**Mission Trip Interest:** Anyone interested in going on an overseas mission trip in 2020, possibly to Guatemala please call/text Heather at 567-674-0020 or email at [artzkitty@yahoo.com](mailto:artzkitty@yahoo.com).

**Children’s Ministry Job Opening:** If anyone is interested in applying for the Christian Ministry position, a copy of the job description can be obtained from the church office or contact Kristina Van Buskirk, Personnel Chair, with any questions.

**Nursery Volunteers Needed:** The church is currently looking for some volunteers who would be willing to sit in the nursery during the 8:30 & 10:30 services. If you are interested or would like more information, please contact the church office.

**Breakfast with  
the Bunny &  
Easter Egg Hunt**



(for children up to grade 5)

*Saturday, April 13 – 9:30 AM*

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**Free Community Event ~**  
Breakfast – Craft Stations  
Photo station w/ Bunny– Egg Hunt

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[stjohnskenton@gmail.com](mailto:stjohnskenton@gmail.com) if you plan  
to attend.

**Reservations are helpful but not  
required.**



# Sing (Play) For Your Supper



## February 24 —4:00 PM

I've heard it said that the world needs more music. I've also heard it said that our church needs more potlucks. So, we're combining the two!

Come enjoy the perfect pair, music & food, on February 24 at 4pm. We'll have a sharing of musical talent with a potluck following.

We need people of any age to share their talent. We especially encourage the young people of St. Johns to share, but of course it's not limited to the young. This is open to soloists, duets and groups. In addition to vocal selections, any instrument is welcome...not only those we've used in our worship services (band students pay attention!) This should be a CASUAL and FUN time in the life of the church.

You are welcome to share more than one selection, so be creative. It was considered that this be a love concert, being in the Valentine month, but that's not necessary. If your selections have a love theme, (love for Christ, the church, each other), that's fine. If not, you're sharing your love of music and we're grateful for that.

If interested, please see Hope or Teresa in person, or you can email... [hopecauley3@gmail.com](mailto:hopecauley3@gmail.com) [teresa@broseke.com](mailto:teresa@broseke.com)

We need to know how many will be participating. Plus we will need certain info from you beforehand for the program.

If you won't be participating in the concert time, please come to support those who are willing to share. Hope to see you there!

### Thank you for your service:

**Ushers:** 2/17: (8:30) Trish & Nancy Wilcox

(10:30) Jim & Pam Bramble, Barb Scott, Barb Roof

2/24: (8:30) Russ Cahill & Deb Temple

(10:30) Angel Forester, Natalie Horton, Dylan Mouk,  
Isaac Oreglia

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

## **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.: 58  
                                      10:30 a.m.: 60

Envelopes and Loose Offerings: 2/3: \$8,925.00 2/10: \$3,771.00

Loose \$1.00 bills - Good Samaritan Fund: 2/10: \$51.00

Total of February (Shine FM): 2/10: \$900

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

Golden Buckeye Attendance –

Golden Buckeye Offering – \$5.00