

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

Keys



I will give you
the keys of
the kingdom of
heaven; whatever
you bind on earth
will be bound in
heaven, and
whatever you loose
on earth will be
loosed in heaven.

- Matthew 16:19

 bibleverses

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“Making and Maturing Disciples of Jesus Christ”

Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

July 26, 2020

Welcome

Prelude

Lord, I Want to Be a Christian

Traditional spiritual...setting by John Carter

*Hymn 443

Jesus, I My Cross Have Taken

*Call to Worship

L: Leader C: Congregation

Psalm 42:11

L: Why are you cast down, O my soul,
and why are you in turmoil within me?

C: **Hope in God; for I shall again praise Him,
my salvation and my God.**

*Gloria Patri

Let Us Pray Unto the Lord:

The Pastoral Prayer

Missing Child: William Bell- Columbus, OH

Mission of the Month: Fairhaven – Upper Sandusky

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

Children's Message

Called to Follow

Matthew 16:24

(children please remain in your seats)

Giving of Tithes and Offerings:

Offering Prayer

Offerings can be placed in the baskets in back of sanctuary

Special Music

Look up Child

Lauren Daigle
Sydney Dyer

Scripture

Daniel 6:19-24
Matthew 16:13-28

(The scripture can be found on the chancel walls.)

Sermon

Helper or Hindrance?

***Hymn #451**

I Have Decided to Follow Jesus

***Benediction**

Postlude

Just a Closer Walk with Thee

C. Marohnic

*— Those who are able, please stand



Welcome to
St. John's Church!

Scripture Readings (ESV):

Daniel 6:19-24:

¹⁹ Then, at break of day, the king arose and went in haste to the den of lions. ²⁰ As he came near to the den where Daniel was, he cried out in a tone of anguish. The king declared to Daniel, “O Daniel, servant of the living God, has your God, whom you serve continually, been able to deliver you from the lions?” ²¹ Then Daniel said to the king, “O king, live forever! ²² My God sent His angel and shut the lions' mouths, and they have not harmed me, because I was found blameless before Him; and also before you, O king, I have done no harm.” ²³ Then the king was exceedingly glad, and commanded that Daniel be taken up out of the den. So Daniel was taken up out of the den, and no kind of harm was found on him, because he had trusted in his God. ²⁴ And the king commanded, and those men who had maliciously accused Daniel were brought and cast into the den of lions—they, their children, and their wives. And before they reached the bottom of the den, the lions overpowered them and broke all their bones in pieces.

Matthew 16:13-28:

¹³ Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, He asked His disciples, “Who do people say that the Son of Man is?” ¹⁴ And they said, “Some say John the Baptist, others say Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.” ¹⁵ He said to them, “But who do you say that I am?” ¹⁶ Simon Peter replied, “You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.” ¹⁷ And Jesus answered him, “Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but My Father who is in heaven. ¹⁸ And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build My church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. ¹⁹ I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.” ²⁰ Then He strictly charged the disciples to tell no one that He was the Christ.

²¹ From that time Jesus began to show His disciples that He must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things from the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. ²² And Peter

took Him aside and began to rebuke Him, saying, “Far be it from You, Lord! This shall never happen to You.”²³ But He turned and said to Peter, “Get behind Me, Satan! You are a hindrance to Me. For you are not setting your mind on the things of God, but on the things of man.”

²⁴ Then Jesus told His disciples, “If anyone would come after Me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow Me. ²⁵ For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for My sake will find it. ²⁶ For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world and forfeits his soul? Or what shall a man give in return for his soul? ²⁷ For the Son of Man is going to come with His angels in the glory of His Father, and then He will repay each person according to what he has done. ²⁸ Truly, I say to you, there are some standing here who will not taste death until they see the Son of Man coming in His kingdom.”



Praise Team Interest: Anyone interested in being part of the praise team, please contact the office and please note how you would like to be involved: singing, playing an instrument (which one?), helping with sound, etc.

Worship Tour - Tom Golly Music- August 16: Tom Golly & team will bless us with their musical talent during the morning worship service on August 16. Thank you to some generous donors to help make this possible.



Ushers:

7/26: Toni & Jerry Pfister

8/2: LeVern & Nancy Weaver

Sermon Notes

26 July 2020

Scripture: **Daniel 6:19-24; Matthew 16:13-28**

Sermon: **Helper or Hindrance?**

1. Whose job is it to build the Church, the body of Christ (see **Ephesians 4:11-14**)? How have you helped to build St. John's? How will you in the days ahead?
2. What keys of the kingdom do we need to employ to bring the Gospel of peace and reconciliation to our community and our nation?
3. How are you willing to deny yourself, take up your cross and follow Jesus? How are you willing to lose your life for Christ? Are you willing to submit to Him and His appointed shepherds so that others may know of His saving grace?
4. Are you a Helper furthering God's mission or are you a hindrance to His work? How are you helping to build the church here? Who are you inviting and discipling?

Announcements and Upcoming Events

Missing Child: our prayers today go out to William Bell missing since July 15, 2020 from Columbus, OH.

Mission of the Month: Fairhaven – Upper Sandusky

Back to School Blessing- August 16: We will have a back to school blessing for all students. Students are welcome to bring their backpacks as in the past, but they will remain in their seats.



Tom Golly Worship Tour – August 16: Tom Golly & Jennifer Chamberlin will provide worship music during the morning worship service.

VBS Donation Request: any construction type things for decorating. May include: safety glasses, safety vests, hard hats. plastic fencing, plastic blueprints, safety signs etc. Please place your donations in the tote beside the VBS table in the back of the sanctuary. See Trish Wilcox or Michele Sherman with any questions.

Forest Court Cookout: August 1 from 1-3 pm. We will be passing out hot dogs, cookies, chips and bottled water. We will also be taking activities for the kids and taking hand sanitizer and hand wipes. Sign up in the back of the sanctuary if you plan to attend or let Trish know.

Kenton Village Cookout: August 9 from 1-3 pm. We will be passing out hot dogs, cookies, chips and bottled water. We will also be taking activities for the kids and taking hand sanitizer and hand wipes.

Confirmation Class: Anyone interested in participating in a confirmation class in the fall please contact the church office or Michele Sherman.

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



**Seeking suggestions for hymns and
praise songs – feel free to leave in the
collection baskets**

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.

WORSHIP LEADERS:

Senior Minister: Rev. Dr. Randall J. Forester

Chancel Choir Director: David Beazley

Children's Choir Director: Hope Cauley

Bell Choir Director: Jane Baker

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

VBS- Concrete & Cranes- Building on the Love of Jesus:

September 19 & 20 from 3-6 pm for preschool (potty trained) - grade 5. This fall we will build on the love of Jesus. So, grab your hard hat and tool belt! As kids explore a world of concrete and cranes, rivets and rebar, bulldozers and backhoes, they will discover that skyscrapers aren't the only things that need a rock-solid foundation. If you plan to attend or volunteer, please Pre-Register online by September 16 at

<https://kideventpro.lifeway.com/myEvent/?id=54591>. Reservations are very helpful for preparation purposes. Volunteers can complete a form located on the VBS table in the back of the sanctuary.

