

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

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I PRAY
that the
EYES
OF
YOUR
HEART
may be
ENLIGHTENED *in order that you may know*
the **HOPE** *to which he has called you, the* **RICHES**
of his **GLORIOUS INERITANCE** *in his holy*
people, and his incomparably **GREAT POWER**
FOR US WHO BELIEVE
Ephesians 1:18-19

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“Making and Maturing Disciples of Jesus Christ”

Christ the King Sunday

November 22, 2020

Welcome

Prelude

We Gather Together

arr. H. Sorensen

Netherlands Folk Song

*Hymn #321

Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us

*Call to Worship

L: Leader C: Congregation

Psalm 100:1-3

L: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth!

Serve the Lord with gladness!

Come into His presence with singing!

Know that the Lord, He is God!

C: It is He who made us, and we are His;

we are His people, and the sheep of His pasture.

*Gloria Patri

Let Us Pray Unto the Lord:

The Pastoral Prayer

Missing Child: Justin Modic – Cleveland, OH

Mission of the Month: Child Evangelism Fellowship

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

Children's Message

The Present Is a Gift from God

Ephesians 1:18-19

(children please remain in your seats)

Special Music

Give Thanks

H. Smith
Lynda Zaring Temple

Giving of Tithes and Offerings:

Offering Prayer

Offerings can be placed in the baskets in back of sanctuary

Scripture

Ezekiel 34:11-24

Ephesians 1:11-23

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

Sermon

Following Christ our King

***Hymn #570**

We Gather Together

Postlude

Come, Ye People Come

***Benediction**

*— Those who are able, please stand



Welcome to St. John's Church!

Ushers:

11/22: Greg & Sharon Martin

11/29: Shawn & Natasha Dyer

Scripture Readings (ESV):

Ezekiel 34:11-24:

¹¹ “For thus says the Lord GOD: Behold, I, I Myself will search for My sheep and will seek them out. ¹² As a shepherd seeks out his flock when he is among his sheep that have been scattered, so will I seek out My sheep, and I will rescue them from all places where they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. ¹³ And I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land. And I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the ravines, and in all the inhabited places of the country. ¹⁴ I will feed them with good pasture, and on the mountain heights of Israel shall be their grazing land. There they shall lie down in good grazing land, and on rich pasture they shall feed on the mountains of Israel. ¹⁵ I Myself will be the Shepherd of My sheep, and I Myself will make them lie down, declares the Lord GOD. ¹⁶ I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, and the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them in justice.

¹⁷ “As for you, My flock, thus says the Lord GOD: Behold, I judge between sheep and sheep, between rams and male goats. ¹⁸ Is it not enough for you to feed on the good pasture, that you must tread down with your feet the rest of your pasture; and to drink of clear water, that you must muddy the rest of the water with your feet? ¹⁹ And must My sheep eat what you have trodden with your feet, and drink what you have muddied with your feet?

²⁰ “Therefore, thus says the Lord GOD to them: Behold, I, I Myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. ²¹ Because you push with side and shoulder, and thrust at all the weak with your horns, till you have scattered them abroad, ²² I will rescue My flock; they shall no longer be a prey. And I will judge between sheep and sheep. ²³ And I will set up over them one shepherd, My servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. ²⁴ And I, the LORD, will be their God, and My servant David shall be prince among them. I am the LORD; I have spoken.”

Ephesians 1:11-23:

¹¹ In Him we have obtained an inheritance, having been predestined according to the purpose of Him who works all things according to the counsel of His will, ¹² so that we who were the first to hope in Christ might be to the praise of His glory. ¹³ In Him you also, when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and believed in Him, were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit, ¹⁴ who is the guarantee of our inheritance until we acquire possession of it, to the praise of His glory.

¹⁵ For this reason, because I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, ¹⁶ I do not cease to give thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers, ¹⁷ that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and of revelation in the knowledge of Him, ¹⁸ having the eyes of your hearts enlightened, that you may know what is the hope to which He has called you, what are the riches of His glorious inheritance in the saints, ¹⁹ and what is the immeasurable greatness of His power toward us who believe, according to the working of His great might ²⁰ that He worked in Christ when He raised Him from the dead and seated Him at His right hand in the heavenly places, ²¹ far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the one to come. ²² And He put all things under His feet and gave Him as head over all things to the church, ²³ which is His body, the fullness of Him who fills all in all.

Let's Pray- Prayer opportunities:

There is a renewed interest in prayer. We are gathering on Tuesdays at noon at the church to pray. There is a prayer board in the Lobby at the church where you may add prayer requests and see for whom you may pray. In prayer, our hearts are bound together in fellowship with one another and the Holy Spirit.



Sermon Notes
22 November 2020

Scripture: **Ezekiel 34:11-24; Ephesians 1:11-23**

Sermon: **Following Christ our King**

1. Who are some of the lost sheep that God is calling us to rescue alongside Him (**Ezekiel 34:11-12**)? How are we to care for them (**Ezekiel 34:14-16**)?
2. How have we muddied the waters and trampled down the pasture (**Ezekiel 34:17-22**)? What are some things we can do to create a more just world?
3. Christ gave us a purpose and sealed us with His Spirit (**Ephesians 1:11, 13**). As we honor Him on Christ the King Sunday, what will you commit to do to fulfill that purpose in the power of the Spirit?
4. Christ fills the Church and makes it complete in Him (**Ephesians 1:12**). How can we humbly serve Christ by sharing His love with others even in the midst of lockdowns and limited contact with others?

Announcements and Upcoming Events

Missing Child: our prayers today go out to Justin Modic missing since November 11, 2020 from Cleveland, OH.

Mission of the Month: Child Evangelism Fellowship (CEF)

Stewardship Brochures: please place your stewardship commitment cards in the designated basket. If you are unable to return in person, please mail or drop off in the church office and mark envelope. These remain confidential and are only seen by Kay. These numbers help shape our budget and programs for 2021. Thank you for your continued support during these tough times.

Christmas Adopt A Family: We will be buying for a family through Helping Hands starting November 29. If anyone wants to help sponsor and cannot get to the church, please contact Heather Erwin at 567-674-0020.

Un-decorate the Church: January 10 following the worship service.

Community Men's Bible Study Saturday mornings at 7:30 am in St. John's Church Chapel.

Community Women's Bible Study: Saturdays at 9:30 am in St. John's Chapel.

Chancel Choir: Choir will practice once a month on the Wednesday before the first Sunday of the month at 7:30.

Bus Driver Needed- Wednesday Nights: Bus driver needed for the Wednesday Night Program a couple times a month from 5-7 pm. Please see Jane Donnelly or Trish Wilcox for more information.

Youth Donation Request: Pool Noodles, Christmas Inflatables that no longer inflate (small holes etc.), golf balls. Please see Michele Sherman will any questions.

Wheelchairs: If you have borrowed a wheelchair from the church and no longer need it, please return or if you have one that you no longer use and would like to donate it, that would be appreciated. We used to have several to lend out to those in need. Any questions, please contact the church office. Thank you!

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

Advent: Angels for the Elderly Food Drive

We will be collecting food for Angels for the Elderly again this year. The mission committee created a suggested donation by week but will take anything at any time and will place it in the back of the sanctuary.

Week 1 (Nov. 29): Proteins (canned meat & peanut butter)

Week 2 (Dec. 6): Fruits and Vegetable (canned)

Week 3 (Dec. 13): Pre-made meals (spaghetti, tuna and noodle)

Week 4 (Dec. 20): Personal care & paper products, laundry detergent

Week at a Glance:

Today 11/22:	9:00 AM Sunday School 10:00 AM Service 7:30 PM NA Miracles Meeting – Chapel
Tuesday, 11/24:	11:30 PM AA – Chapel 12:00 PM Prayer 6:30 PM Celebrate Recovery- Chapel
Thursday, 11/26:	Happy Thanksgiving- Office Closed
Friday, 11/27:	Office Closed 8:00 PM NA Miracles – Chapel
Saturday, 11/28:	7:30 AM Men’s Prayer Breakfast- Chapel 9:30 AM Women’s Bible Study- Chapel 12:00 PM NA Miracles Meeting – Chapel

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

Week at a Glance:

Attendance (11/15): 28

Envelopes: \$

Losse Offering: \$

Loose Ones: \$

November Mission: \$