

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

Who is a God like you,
who pardons sin and
forgives the transgression
of the remnant of
His inheritance?

You do not stay
angry forever but
delight to show

mercy.

Micah 7:18

**ST. JOHN'S EVANGELICAL CHURCH
211 EAST CARROL STREET
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“Making and Maturing Disciples of Jesus Christ”

Fifth Sunday of Easter

May 2, 2021

Welcome

Prelude

I Will Serve Thee

F. Bock

*Hymn #220

Break Thou the Bread of Life

*Call to Worship

L: Leader C: Congregation

Psalm 34:7-9

L: The angel of the Lord encamps
around those who fear Him, and delivers them.

C: Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good!

L: Blessed is the one who takes refuge in Him!
Oh, fear the Lord, you His saints,

C: for those who fear Him have no lack!

*Gloria Patri

Let Us Pray Unto the Lord:

The Pastoral Prayer

Missing Child: Charles Newberry – Greenville, OH

Mission of the Month: Helping Hands

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

Children's Message

A Big, Big Crowd

Revelation 7:9-17

(children please remain in your seats)

Giving of Tithes and Offerings:

Offering Prayer

Offerings can be placed in the baskets in back of sanctuary

Scripture

Micah 7:18-20

Revelation 7:1-17

Sermon

God's Faithfulness and Saving Grace

Chancel Choir

Come Just As You Are

Sabolick

Communion

***Hymn #470**

Onward, Christian Soldier

***Benediction**

Postlude

Trust and Obey

*— Those who are able, please stand



Welcome to St. John's Church!

Please send sympathy cards to Jon Stephan, Monica's son, who lost his grandmother on Friday. Cards can be sent to: 1255 W. North Street Lot 37, Kenton, OH 43326.

Scripture Readings (ESV):

Micah 7:18-20:

¹⁸ Who is a God like You, pardoning iniquity
and passing over transgression
for the remnant of His inheritance?

He does not retain His anger forever,
because He delights in steadfast love.

¹⁹ He will again have compassion on us;
He will tread our iniquities underfoot.

You will cast all our sins
into the depths of the sea.

²⁰ You will show faithfulness to Jacob
and steadfast love to Abraham,
as You have sworn to our fathers
from the days of old.

Revelation 7:1-17:

¹ After this I saw four angels standing at the four corners of the earth, holding back the four winds of the earth, that no wind might blow on earth or sea or against any tree. ² Then I saw another angel ascending from the rising of the sun, with the seal of the living God, and he called with a loud voice to the four angels who had been given power to harm earth and sea, ³ saying, “Do not harm the earth or the sea or the trees, until we have sealed the servants of our God on their foreheads.” ⁴ And I heard the number of the sealed, 144,000, sealed from every tribe of the sons of Israel:

⁵ 12,000 from the tribe of Judah were sealed,

12,000 from the tribe of Reuben,

12,000 from the tribe of Gad,

⁶ 12,000 from the tribe of Asher,

12,000 from the tribe of Naphtali,

12,000 from the tribe of Manasseh,

⁷ 12,000 from the tribe of Simeon,

12,000 from the tribe of Levi,

12,000 from the tribe of Issachar,

⁸ 12,000 from the tribe of Zebulun,

12,000 from the tribe of Joseph,
12,000 from the tribe of Benjamin were sealed.

⁹ After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, ¹⁰ and crying out with a loud voice, “Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!” ¹¹ And all the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, ¹² saying, “Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen.”

¹³ Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, “Who are these, clothed in white robes, and from where have they come?” ¹⁴ I said to him, “Sir, you know.” And he said to me, “These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation. They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

¹⁵ “Therefore they are before the throne of God,
and serve Him day and night in His temple;
and He who sits on the throne will shelter them with His presence.

¹⁶ They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore;
the sun shall not strike
them,

nor any scorching
heat.

¹⁷ For the Lamb in the
midst of the throne will
be their shepherd,
and He will guide
them to springs of living
water,

and God will wipe
away every tear from
their eyes.”

Join Us for VBS

Music - Missions - Crafts - Snack



June 7-10
5PM-7:15PM
K-5th Grade

Vacation Bible School at St. John's
Evangelical Church

This summer 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. During VBS, kids will learn to build their faith on Jesus as they uncover the truth that He who began a good work will be faithful to carry it on to completion.

If you plan to attend or volunteer, please Pre-Register online by June 4th at <https://kideventpro.lifeway.com/myEvent/?id=57752> Reservations are very helpful for preparation purposes. Hope to see you all there!!! ☺

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Sermon Notes

02 May 2021

Scripture: **Micah 7:18-20; Revelation 7:1-17**

Sermon: **God's Faithfulness and Saving Grace**

1. How have you used God in an attempt to bring benefits to yourself as did the fictionalized Salieri in *Amadeus*? How does that distort the Gospel?
2. In **Revelation 7**, who endures tribulation? How does John—the author of **Revelation**—view tribulation (**1:9**)? What is the reward for enduring? How do the saints endure? What do they do?
3. What is **Micah's** final 'sigh' at the end of his book? On what does his faith rest? Is God's mercy and grace (**7:18-19**) enough for you?
4. **Micah's** impact is known outside of his writing (**Jeremiah 26:18-19**). How does that encourage you? What brings you back to faithfulness when frustration creeps in at times when results are not so readily seen?

Announcements and Upcoming Events

Missing Child: our prayers today go out to Charles Newberry missing since April 20, 2021 from Greenville, OH.

Mission of the Month: Helping Hands

HCC Youth Meeting: Tonight from 5-7 pm at the CMA Church.

St. John's Rooster Shirts: Any interest in a reprint of the shirts? Custom Torso had printed shirts for St. John's with a rooster design. We have had a request for a shirt/sweatshirt but need a minimum of 10 for an order. If you have any interest, please contact the church office.

Bible Study Starting Wednesday Nights: A Bible Study led by Jerry Pfister will be Wednesday Nights at 6:30 pm in the church library. They will begin with the Book of John. This Bible Study grew out of Celebrate Recovery but is open to all who want to attend.

Graduation Sunday: May 16 – we will honor our graduates. Please contact the church office with your information if you have graduated or will be graduating soon.

VBS - Concrete & Crates: June 7-10 from 5:00-7:15 pm. Volunteer meeting times are after worship on the following dates: May 16, and June 6 in the fellowship hall. Please see Michele for more information.

Youth Summer Camp- Camp Cotubic: Camp dates will be July 4-5 (5-7th grade) and June 27-July 2 (8-12th grade) If anyone is interested, please see Michele Sherman.

Community Men's Bible Study Saturday mornings at 7:30 am at Our Place Family Restaurant.

Women's Bible Study: Sunday mornings at 9:00 am in the fellowship hall.



Care Team: We have a group of people that make calls to members to try to keep in touch with each other and to just check in. If you would like to participate in any way, please let the church office know or contact Carol Wilcox. If you are not receiving a call and would like one periodically or know of someone who would, please let us know.

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

Week at a Glance

Today, 5/2:	9:00 AM Sunday School (PK- Grade 12) 9:00 AM Women's Bible Study – FH 10:00 AM Worship Service 5:00 PM Cub Scouts- Chapel 5-7 PM HCC Youth – CMA Church
Tuesday, 5/4:	11:30 AM AA – Chapel 6:30 PM Celebrate Recovery – Chapel
Wednesday, 5/5:	5:00 PM Children's Choir 6:30 PM Bible Study - library
Thursday, 5/6:	11:30 AM AA – Chapel
Friday, 5/7:	11:30 AM Friday w/Friends- Mr. Cheezy's
Saturday, 5/8:	7:30 AM Men's Bible Study- Our Place

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 (4/25): 60

Envelopes: \$2995

Loose Ones: \$

Mission: Helping Hands: \$170

Ushers:

5/2: Becky Rish & Nancy Wilcox

5/9: Gus & Angel Forester