

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

Psalm 115: 2-8

Why should the Gentiles say,
"So where is their God?"

3 But our God is in heaven;
He does whatever He pleases.

4 Their idols are silver and gold,
The work of men's hands.

5 They have mouths, but they do not speak;
Eyes they have, but they do not see;

6 They have ears, but they do not hear;
Noses they have, but they do not smell;

7 They have hands, but they do not handle;
Feet they have, but they do not walk;
Nor do they mutter through their throat.

8 Those who make them are like them;
So is everyone who trusts in them.

**ST. JOHN'S EVANGELICAL CHURCH
211 EAST CARROL STREET
KENTON, OH 43326**

Giving of Tithes and Offerings:

Offering Prayer

Offerings can be placed in the baskets in back of sanctuary

***Doxology**

Scripture

Psalm 115

Romans 14:13-23

Sermon

Let Freedom Ring

***Hymn #13**

Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above

***Benediction**

Postlude

Jesus Loves Me

Bradbury/Raney

*— Those who are able, please stand



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

Scripture Readings (ESV):

Psalm 115:

- ¹ Not to us, O LORD, not to us, but to Your name give glory,
for the sake of Your steadfast love and Your faithfulness!
- ² Why should the nations say,
“Where is their God?”
- ³ Our God is in the heavens;
He does all that He pleases.
- ⁴ Their idols are silver and gold,
the work of human hands.
- ⁵ They have mouths, but do not speak;
eyes, but do not see.
- ⁶ They have ears, but do not hear;
noses, but do not smell.
- ⁷ They have hands, but do not feel;
feet, but do not walk;
and they do not make a sound in their throat.
- ⁸ Those who make them become like them;
so do all who trust in them.
- ⁹ O Israel, trust in the LORD!
He is their help and their shield.
- ¹⁰ O house of Aaron, trust in the LORD!
He is their help and their shield.
- ¹¹ You who fear the LORD, trust in the LORD!
He is their help and their shield.
- ¹² The LORD has remembered us; He will bless us;
He will bless the house of Israel;
He will bless the house of Aaron;
- ¹³ He will bless those who fear the LORD,
both the small and the great.
- ¹⁴ May the LORD give you increase,
you and your children!
- ¹⁵ May you be blessed by the LORD,
who made heaven and earth!
- ¹⁶ The heavens are the LORD's heavens,
but the earth He has given to the children of man.
- ¹⁷ The dead do not praise the LORD,
nor do any who go down into silence.

¹⁸ But we will bless the LORD
from this time forth and forevermore.
Praise the LORD!

Romans 14:13-23:

¹³ Therefore let us not pass judgment on one another any longer, but rather decide never to put a stumbling block or hindrance in the way of a brother. ¹⁴ I know and am persuaded in the Lord Jesus that nothing is unclean in itself, but it is unclean for anyone who thinks it unclean. ¹⁵ For if your brother is grieved by what you eat, you are no longer walking in love. By what you eat, do not destroy the one for whom Christ died. ¹⁶ So do not let what you regard as good be spoken of as evil. ¹⁷ For the kingdom of God is not a matter of eating and drinking but of righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Spirit. ¹⁸ Whoever thus serves Christ is acceptable to God and approved by men. ¹⁹ So then let us pursue what makes for peace and for mutual upbuilding.

²⁰ Do not, for the sake of food, destroy the work of God. Everything is indeed clean, but it is wrong for anyone to make another stumble by what he eats. ²¹ It is good not to eat meat or drink wine or do anything that causes your brother to stumble. ²² The faith that you have, keep between yourself and God. Blessed is the one who has no reason to pass judgment on himself for what he approves. ²³ But whoever has doubts is condemned if he eats, because the eating is not from faith. For whatever does not proceed from faith is sin.

Announcements and Upcoming Events

Missing Child: Today we pray for Tink Anderson missing from Cincinnati, OH.

Jr. Church Volunteers: A volunteer sign-up sheet is posted outside of Michele's office door for those weeks. Everything is prepared for you. Please see Michele with questions.

Mending for Missions: Pastor Forester talked about sharing your talents. We have each been given a talent, no matter the size or complexity of this skill. I can sew. Simply, yes, but mending is a skill many people may not possess or have the time to invest. So, I would like to Mend for Missions. Call me if you have something that needs to be mended, shortened, or "taken in." When the garment is finished, I will give you a "Mended for Missions" envelope to donate to the church. You can decide the amount you'd care to give. Jane Wyndham, 419-767-9160



Drivers needed for Sunday mornings: We would like to provide transportation for adults and kids to church on Sundays by either the church van or carpool. Please contact the church office if you are able to volunteer.

Celebrate Recovery Meal Sign Up: St. John's would like to supply a meal for Celebrate Recovery twice a month. The meals will be the second and Fourth Tuesday of each month for approximately 10-15 people. If you are able to provide food, please sign-up in the back of the sanctuary. Please have the food at the church at 6 pm in the kitchenette across from the chapel. Any questions, please see Anna LaWarre or Jerry Pfister.

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

Week at a Glance

Today, 7/3:	9:00 AM Women's Bible Study - FH 10:00 AM Worship Service
Monday, 7/4:	Independence Day – Office Closed
Tuesday, 7/5:	1:00 PM First Tuesday – Blanchard Place 6:30 PM Celebrate Recovery
Wednesday, 7/6:	7:00 PM Bible Study
Friday, 7/8:	12:00 PM Prayer – Sanctuary
Saturday, 7/9:	7:30 AM Men's Bible Study – Chapel

WORSHIP LEADERS:

Senior Minister: Rev. Dr. Randall J. Forester

Chancel Choir Director: David Beazley

Bell Choir Director: Jane Baker

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

Week at a Glance:

Attendance (6/26): 72

Envelopes:

Loose Ones:

Mission:

Church Social (Income from that night): \$2,730.00

Ushers:

7/3: Forester family

7/10: Shawn & Natasha Dyer

