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

"(herefore I, the prisoner of the Lord, implore you to walk in a manner WORTHY of the calling with which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, showing tolerance for one another in LOVE, being diligent to preserve the UNITY of the Spirit in the bond of peace. EPHESIANS 4:1-3

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

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#### "Making and Maturing Disciples of Jesus Christ"

#### **Pentecost Sunday**

May 28, 2023

Nursery is provided off the sanctuary for Infants –Kindergarten.

#### Welcome & Announcements

**Prelude** Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart

Atkinson/Jordan

\*Hymn #581

There's a Sweet, Sweet Spirit

\*Call to Worship

Psalm 78:23-25

L: Yet He commanded the skies above

C: and opened the doors of heaven,

L: and He rained down on them manna to eat

C: and gave them the grain of heaven. L: Man ate of the bread of the angels;

C: He sent them food in abundance.

#### \*Gloria Patri

#### Let Us Pray Unto the Lord:

The Pastoral Prayer

Missing Person: Jacob Diamond – Lancaster, OH Mission of the Month: Bryan & Katie Crabtree- Thailand

The Lord's Prayer (Debts/Debtors)

**Special Music** 

God Bless America

I. Berlin Carol Wilcox

## Children's Message Who's Number One? Eph

Ephesians 4:4-6 Joy Van Horn

#### Giving of Tithes and Offerings:

Offering Prayer
Offerings can be placed in the baskets in back of sanctuary

\*Doxology

Scripture Ephesians 4

Sermon Live By the Spirit

\*Hymn #187 Breathe on Me, Breath of God

\*Benediction

**Postlude** All Now Sing Forth in Praise E. Broughton

\*— Those who are able, please stand



Welcome to St. John's Church

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

#### **Ephesians 4:**

<sup>1</sup> I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called, <sup>2</sup> with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, <sup>3</sup> eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. <sup>4</sup> There is one body and one Spirit—just as you were called to the one hope that belongs to your call— <sup>5</sup> one Lord, one faith, one baptism, <sup>6</sup> one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all. <sup>7</sup> But grace was given to each one of us according to the measure of Christ's gift. <sup>8</sup> Therefore it says,

"When He ascended on high He led a host of captives, and He gave gifts to men."

<sup>9</sup> (In saying, "He ascended," what does it mean but that He had also descended into the lower regions, the earth? <sup>10</sup> He who descended is the one who also ascended far above all the heavens, that He might fill all things.) <sup>11</sup> And He gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the shepherds and teachers, <sup>12</sup> to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, <sup>13</sup> until we all attain to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to mature manhood, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ, <sup>14</sup> so that we may no longer be children, tossed to and fro by the waves and carried about by every wind of doctrine, by human cunning, by craftiness in deceitful schemes. <sup>15</sup> Rather, speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in every way into Him who is the head, into Christ, 16 from whom the whole body, joined and held together by every joint with which it is equipped, when each part is working properly, makes the body grow so that it builds itself up in love.

<sup>17</sup> Now this I say and testify in the Lord, that you must no longer walk as the Gentiles do, in the futility of their minds. <sup>18</sup> They are darkened in their understanding, alienated from the life of God because of the ignorance that is in them, due to their hardness of heart. <sup>19</sup> They have become callous and have given themselves up to sensuality, greedy to practice every kind of impurity. <sup>20</sup> But that is not the way you learned Christ!— <sup>21</sup> assuming that you have heard about Him and were taught in Him, as the truth is in Jesus, <sup>22</sup> to put

off your old self, which belongs to your former manner of life and is corrupt through deceitful desires, <sup>23</sup> and to be renewed in the spirit of your minds, <sup>24</sup> and to put on the new self, created after the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness.

<sup>25</sup> Therefore, having put away falsehood, let each one of you speak the truth with his neighbor, for we are members one of another. <sup>26</sup> Be angry and do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, <sup>27</sup> and give no opportunity to the devil. <sup>28</sup> Let the thief no longer steal, but rather let him labor, doing honest work with his own hands, so that he may have something to share with anyone in need. <sup>29</sup> Let no corrupting talk come out of your mouths, but only such as is good for building up, as fits the occasion, that it may give grace to those who hear. <sup>30</sup> And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. <sup>31</sup> Let all bitterness and wrath and anger and clamor and slander be put away from you, along with all malice. <sup>32</sup> Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you.

## **All Church Social**

## St. John's Evangelical Church



Fellowship Hall—Air Conditioned 211 East Carrol Street Kenton, OH 43326

## **Tuesday, July 11, 2023**

4:00-7:00 PM



Menu: Sandwiches, Noodles, Salads, Pie, Cakes, Ice Cream and drinks

**Free Will Offering** 



Everyone is invited to fellowship and eat some of the BEST home cooking in Hardin County!

Carry-Out Available 419-673-7278



## Sermon Notes 28 May 2023

Scripture: **Ephesians 4**Sermon: **Live By the Spirit** 

How is God calling you to walk in a manner worthy of your calling to preserve the unity of the Holy Spirit in our church? What gifts and attributes are you using to do this? How (see Ephesians 4:1-6)?
 With what has the Holy Spirit equipped you to serve His church in these days (Ephesians 4:11-16)? How is that bringing unity of faith and knowledge and maturity to Christ?
 How do you see yourself being renewed by the Spirit in this season (Ephesians 4:22-24)? How do you see the Spirit renewing St. John's in this season to put on the new self in the likeness of Christ?

4. How can you use your gifts and faith to NOT grieve the Holy Spirit? How are you (and how can you) build the unity here at St. John's and help us to move forward as a church (**Ephesians 4:25-32**)?

#### Announcements and Upcoming Events

**Missing Person:** Today we pray for Jacob Diamond missing from Lancaster, OH.

All Church Social: July 11 from 4-7 pm

**VBS:** August 14-17 from 5-7:30 pm. Transportation and meal provided. To register, please email Michele at <a href="michelesjyouth@gmail.com">michelesjyouth@gmail.com</a> or call the church office at 419-673-7278.

Women's Celebration: November 16 at 6:30 pm

**Texas Roadhouse Peanut Fundraiser:** Hardin County Collective Youth are selling Texas Roadhouse Peanuts again. \$5/bag plus a coupon for a free appetizer (with purchase of meal). The proceeds will help with the cost of food each month and activities which include, bowling, movies, swimming, camp etc. Please contact Michele to purchase them.

The Chosen Bible Study: We are gaging interest in starting a Bible Study in the fall on The Chosen Series. We have received permission to view the episodes at church. There are study guides available on Angel Studio's website on each season. We are looking at Saturday mornings from 8:30-10. It takes approx. an hour to watch an episode and 30 minutes for discussion. If you would be interested in this Bible Study, please contact Anna LaWarre or the church office.

**Operation Christmas Child:** A decorated box is located in the skylight room to place any items for this year's OCC shoeboxes. See Toni Pfister with any questions.

**Jr. Church Volunteers**: Everything is prepared for you. Please see Michele with questions and to volunteer.

**Office Hours:** Summer Hours until July 7 are 8:30 am -12:30 pm.

**Bulletin Announcements**: due by Friday at 8:30 AM.



#### Week at a Glance

Today, 5/28: 9:00 AM Women's Bible Study- FH

10:00 AM Worship Service

Jr. Church

7:00 PM NA Meeting – Chapel

Monday, 5/29: Memorial Day – Office Closed

Tuesday, 5/30: 6:30 PM Celebrate Recovery – Chapel

Wednesday, 5/31: 7:00 PM Bible Study – Chapel

7:00 PM Chancel Choir

Thursday, 6/1: 6:30 PM OSU Alumni Banquet – FH

Friday, 6/2: 11:30 AM Friday w/ Friends

Cranberry's, Indian Lake

7:00 PM NA Meeting – Chapel Saturday, 6/3: 7:30 AM Men's Bible Study – Chapel

## Week at a Glance:

Attendance (5/21):

Envelopes: 5/14: \$2875 5/21: \$2320

Loose Ones: \$10

Mission (Crabtree): \$190

Ushers:

5/28: Janie Risner & Jane Wyndham 6/4: Nathan Weaver & Aly Purcell



