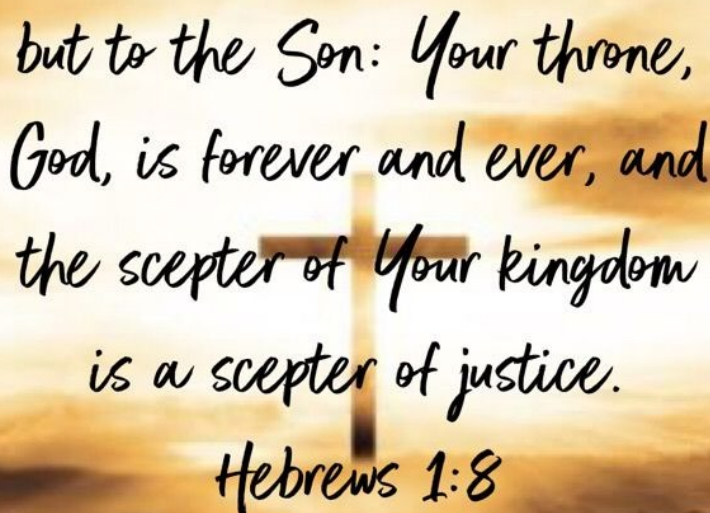


**St. John's:**  
**Making and Maturing**  
**Disciples of Jesus Christ**



*but to the Son: Your throne,  
God, is forever and ever, and  
the scepter of Your kingdom  
is a scepter of justice.  
Hebrews 1:8*

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## **“Making and Maturing Disciples of Jesus Christ”**

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**Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost**

**September 3, 2023**

*Nursery is provided off the sanctuary for Infants – Kindergarten.*

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### **Welcome & Announcements**

**Prelude**

*I Love You, Lord*

Klein/Hayes

**\*Hymn #498**

*Come, All Christians, Be Committed*

**\*Call to Worship**

**Psalm 143:5-6, 10b**

L: I remember the days of old;

**C: I meditate on all that You have done;**

L: I ponder the work of Your hands.

**C: I stretch out my hands to You;**

L: my soul thirsts for You like a parched land.

**C: Let Your good Spirit lead me  
on level ground!**

**\*Gloria Patri**

**Let Us Pray Unto the Lord:**

The Pastoral Prayer

Missing Person: Cody Hill – Akron, OH

Mission of the Month: Not By Choice

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

**Special Music**

David Beazley

**Children's Message**

**Keep Trusting in Jesus**

Hebrews 3:14

Becky Rish

## **Giving of Tithes and Offerings:**

Offering Prayer

Offerings can be placed in the baskets in back of sanctuary

## **\*Doxology**

**Scripture**

**Deuteronomy 24:19-22**

**Hebrews 1:8-14**

**Sermon**

**The Work of Your Hands**

**Sacrament of Holy Communion**

\*The Apostle's Creed

back of hymnal

The Blessing and Sharing of the Elements

**\*Hymn #512**    *Lord, Whose Love through Humble Service*

**\*Benediction**

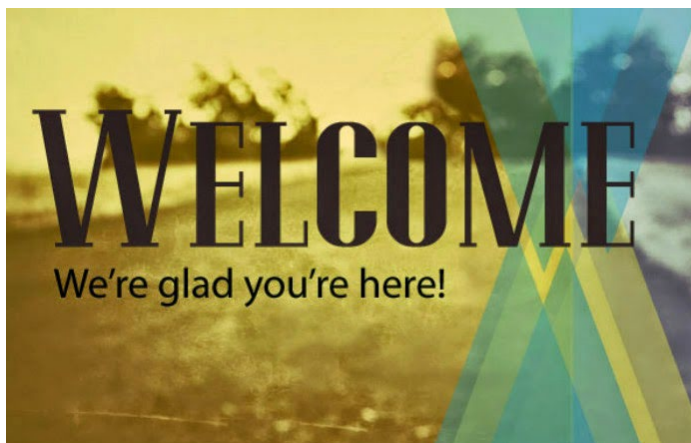
**Postlude**

*O Worship the King (tune Lyons)*    Haydn/Raney

William Gardiner's *Sacred Melodies Vol. II, 1815*

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\*— Those who are able, please stand



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

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

### **Deuteronomy 24:19-22:**

<sup>19</sup> “When you reap your harvest in your field and forget a sheaf in the field, you shall not go back to get it. It shall be for the sojourner, the fatherless, and the widow, that the LORD your God may bless you in all the work of your hands. <sup>20</sup> When you beat your olive trees, you shall not go over them again. It shall be for the sojourner, the fatherless, and the widow. <sup>21</sup> When you gather the grapes of your vineyard, you shall not strip it afterward. It shall be for the sojourner, the fatherless, and the widow. <sup>22</sup> You shall remember that you were a slave in the land of Egypt; therefore I command you to do this.”

### **Hebrews 1:8-14:**

<sup>8</sup> But of the Son He says,

“Your throne, O God, is forever and ever,  
the scepter of uprightness is the scepter of Your kingdom.

<sup>9</sup> You have loved righteousness and hated wickedness;  
therefore God, your God, has anointed you  
with the oil of gladness beyond your companions.”

<sup>10</sup> And,

“You, Lord, laid the foundation of the earth in the beginning,  
and the heavens are the work of Your hands;

<sup>11</sup> they will perish, but You remain;  
they will all wear out like a garment,

<sup>12</sup> like a robe You will roll them up,  
like a garment they will be changed.

But You are the same,  
and Your years will have no end.”

<sup>13</sup> And to which of the angels has He ever said,

“Sit at My right hand

until I make Your enemies a footstool for Your feet”?

<sup>14</sup> Are they not all ministering spirits sent out to serve for the sake of those who are to inherit salvation?

Sermon Notes

**03 September 2023**

Scripture: **Deuteronomy 24:19-22; Hebrews 1:8-14**

Sermon: **The Work of Your Hands**

1. In **Hebrews**, what is the work of Christ's hands? How is His work ongoing? What honor does that give Him by the Father? How does that comfort you?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
2. In **Deuteronomy 2:7 and 28:12**, how does God promise to bless the "work of your hands"?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
3. In **Deuteronomy 24**, what are the limits God places on our labor? How do the "leftovers" from our labor bless others? How would you apply that to your labor and income today?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
4. In what ways can your labor bless the needy in our community today? How can you bless the church with your "excess"? What could you do to strengthen the ministry of St. John's Church?

## Announcements and Upcoming Events

**Missing Person:** Today we pray for Cody Hill missing from Akron, OH.

**Children's Choir to start in September:** Hey kids, we are starting a choir just for you! Come sing to praise the Lord! Practices will be at 5 pm on Tuesdays, beginning on Sept. 12. We will sing on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of each month for church. Parents please help us make worshipping a part of your child's life! See Toni Pfister with any questions.

**Sewing Fellowship Day:** September 19 at 10:30 am in the Fellowship Hall, we will be making pillowcases to put in the Christmas boxes. You do not have to be a "seamstress" to participate. Come out and have fun or stop by and have lunch with us and spend time with each other. Items to bring: scissors, rotary cutter, cutting mat, cutting ruler, pins, sewing clips, thread, sewing machines or sergers, seam ripper. Each case will use a yard of fabric. We will have some fabric, but if you would like to donate, please do. Keep in mind, they are for children ages 2-4, 5-9 and 10-14. Bring a sack lunch. Even if you cannot sew, come anyways, there will be other jobs to do. Any question, please see Toni Pfister or Teresa Broseke

**Ride to Church Needed:** If you are able to help transport someone to church, please contact the church office or talk to Pastor Randall.

**Seeking part-time Family Minister/Associate Pastor:** Job title, responsibilities, and compensation will be partially determined by the education, experience, and training of the candidate. Please contact the church office with questions or interest.

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

**The Chosen Bible Study:** Planning to start in October. We are looking at Saturday mornings from 8:30-10. It takes approx. an hour to watch an episode and 30 minutes for discussion. Watch for more details to come. If you would be interested in this Bible Study, please contact Anna LaWarre or the church office.

**Operation Christmas Child:** Boxes are in the overflow along with toothbrushes, toothbrush covers, dental floss, wash cloths and other items are available for people to use. Deadline will be early November with exact date announced later.

**Office Hours:** 8:30-10:30 am & 12:30-2:30 pm, Monday – Friday unless there is a delay/cancellation. Please call the office if you have any questions.

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

## SHOEBOX GIFT IDEAS



**"WOW" ITEM**

- Soccer ball with pump
- Doll
- Stuffed animal
- Shoes



**TOYS**

- Toy cars
- Jump ropes
- Yo-yos
- Toys that light up and make noise (with extra batteries)



**PERSONAL CARE ITEMS**

- Toothbrushes
- Washcloths
- Combs
- Hairbrushes



**SCHOOL SUPPLIES**

- Pens, pencils, sharpeners, crayons, and markers
- Notebooks and paper
- Coloring and picture books
- Solar calculators



**ACCESSORIES**

- Socks
- Sunglasses
- Jewelry and watches
- Flashlights (with extra batteries)



**DO NOT INCLUDE**

candy; toothpaste; gum; used or damaged items; scary or war-related items; seeds; food; liquids or lotions; medications or vitamins; breakable items or glass containers; aerosol cans



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—Franklin Graham,  
President, Samaritan's Purse



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**Thank You:** Thank you so much for the contribution to the Hardin County Recovery Court. We will do our best to put your gracious gift to good use. Thank you for all that you do for our community. God Bless, Steve Christopher

## **Week at a Glance**

Today, 9/3: 9:00 AM Women's Bible Study – FH  
10:00 AM Worship Service  
7:00 PM NA Meeting – Chapel

Monday, 9/4: Labor Day – Office Closed  
Office Open this Week: 8:30-12:30, T-F

Tuesday, 9/5: 6:30 PM Celebrate Recovery – Chapel

Friday, 9/8: 12:00 PM Prayer – Sanctuary  
7:00 PM NA Meeting – Chapel

Saturday, 9/9: 7:30 AM Men's Bible Study – Chapel

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### **Week at a Glance:**

Attendance (8/27): 71

Envelopes:

Loose Ones:

Mission (Gideons):

Ushers:

9/3: Jane Baker & Hope Cauley

9/10: Becky Rish & Nancy Wilcox

