

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



Rend your heart
and not your garments.
Return to the LORD your God,
for he is gracious
and compassionate,
slow to anger
and abounding in love,
and he relents
from sending calamity.

Joel 2:13

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“Making and Maturing Disciples of Jesus Christ”

Third Sunday of Lent

March 3, 2024

Nursery is provided off the sanctuary for Infants – Kindergarten.

Welcome & Announcements (Greet online viewers)

Prelude

I Love Thee

F. Ritter

***Hymn #55**

For the Beauty of the Earth

***Call to Worship**

Psalm 126:4-6

L: Restore our fortunes, O Lord,

C: like streams in the Negeb!

L: Those who sow in tears

C: shall reap with shouts of joy!

L: He who goes out weeping,

C: bearing the seed for sowing,

L: shall come home with shouts of joy,

C: bringing his sheaves with him.

*** Call to Confession**

Pastor

Beloved in the Lord, let us draw near with a true heart, and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him, in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to grant us forgiveness.

*** Prayer of Confession**

Congregation

Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from Thy ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against Thy holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done, and we have done those things which we ought not to have done. But Thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us. Spare Thou those, O God, who confess their sins. Restore Thou those who are penitent, according to Thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord. And, grant, O most merciful Father, for

His sake, that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of Thy holy Name. Amen.

*Assurance of Pardon

Pastor

Hearken now unto the comforting assurance of the grace of God, promised in the Gospel to all that repent and believe: As I live, saith the Lord God, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but that the wicked turn from his way and live. God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

Unto as many of you, therefore, beloved brethren, as truly repent of your sins, and believe in the Lord Jesus Christ, with full purpose of new obedience, I announce and declare, by the authority and in the Name of Christ, that your sins are forgiven, according to His promise in the Gospel; through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

***Gloria Patri**

Let Us Pray Unto the Lord:

The Pastoral Prayer

Missing Person: Miracle Fisher – Columbus, OH

Mission of the Month: Celebrate Recovery

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

Children's Message

Playing the "What If?" Game

James 1:27

Giving of Tithes and Offerings:

Offering Prayer

Offerings can be placed in the baskets in back of sanctuary

***Doxology**

Scripture

Joel 2:12-17

Luke 6:17-26

Sermon

Blessed are Those who Weep

Chancel Choir

Communion Hymn

Kellermeyer

Sacrament of Holy Communion

*The Apostle's Creed

back of hymnal

The Blessing and Sharing of the Elements

***Hymn #35**

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

***Benediction**

Postlude

The Great Name We Praise

Traditional Welsh Hymn

*— Those who are able, please stand

Scripture Readings (ESV):

Joel 2:12-17:

¹² “Yet even now,” declares the LORD,
“return to Me with all your heart,
with fasting, with weeping, and with mourning;
¹³ and rend your hearts and not your garments.”
Return to the LORD your God,
for He is gracious and merciful,
slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love;
and He relents over disaster.
¹⁴ Who knows whether He will not turn and relent,
and leave a blessing behind Him,
a grain offering and a drink offering
for the LORD your God?
¹⁵ Blow the trumpet in Zion;
consecrate a fast;
call a solemn assembly;
¹⁶ gather the people.
Consecrate the congregation;
assemble the elders;
gather the children,
even nursing infants.
Let the bridegroom leave his room,
and the bride her chamber.
¹⁷ Between the vestibule and the altar
let the priests, the ministers of the LORD, weep
and say, “Spare Your people, O LORD,
and make not Your heritage a reproach,
a byword among the nations.
Why should they say among the peoples,
‘Where is their God?’”

Luke 6:17-26:

¹⁷ And He came down with them and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of His disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea and Jerusalem and the seacoast of Tyre and Sidon, ¹⁸ who came to hear Him and to be healed of their diseases. And those who were

troubled with unclean spirits were cured. ¹⁹ And all the crowd sought to touch Him, for power came out from Him and healed them all.

²⁰ And He lifted up His eyes on His disciples, and said:

“Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God.

²¹ “Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you shall be satisfied.

“Blessed are you who weep now, for you shall laugh.

²² “Blessed are you when people hate you and when they exclude you and revile you and spurn your name as evil, on account of the Son of Man! ²³ Rejoice in that day, and leap for joy, for behold, your reward is great in heaven; for so their fathers did to the prophets.

²⁴ “But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation.

²⁵ “Woe to you who are full now, for you shall be hungry.

“Woe to you who laugh now, for you shall mourn and weep.

²⁶ “Woe to you, when all people speak well of you, for so their fathers did to the false prophets.”

HARDIN COUNTY COLLECTIVE
PRESENTS

SUNDAY

MARCH MADNESS



MAR 3
CMA
KENTON
ALLIANCE
CHURCH

4-6 PM

FOOD AND
DRINK
FUN GAMES
3 ON 3
TOURNAMENT
DODGEBALL

Follow us on Facebook!

Please join us for the Second Annual Blessing of the Bikes hosted by St. John's Evangelical Church and God's Thunder.



May 19, 2024

211 E. Carrol St., Kenton, OH

11:30 - Coffee and Cookies served

12:00 - Blessing of the Bikes

Open invitation to all to attend Worship

Service beginning at 10am.

Hosted by:

*St. John's Evangelical Church
and Christian Motorcycle
Association, God's Thunder*



March 10 after worship

fellowship

LUNCH

Food Provided

Sermon Notes

03 March 2024

Scripture: **Joel 2:12-17; Luke 6:17-26**

Sermon: **Blessed are Those who Weep**

1. How do Jesus' words to His disciples speak to you? Do you hear Him teaching you and commanding you? What specific response is calling forth in your life this Lent?
2. How do you receive Jesus's words in today's beatitude? How does it comfort you, AND how does it challenge you? What types of action does this call you to enact in your life?
3. What attributes in **Joel 2** do you find already in your life? Which ones are you seeking to perfect? How is the Holy Spirit shaping and form you in these areas?
4. How should we put this beatitude/command from Jesus into action? What practical things can you do in this regard? What ministry can you do within the church?

Sola Scriptura (by Scripture Alone)

Announcements and Upcoming Events

Missing Person: Today we pray for Miracle Fisher missing from Columbus, OH.

Easter Flowers: Orders and money are due today. Please fill out a slip and turn in with the offering or the church office. Thank you!

Love Inc. 25th Birthday Party & Open House: March 9 from 11 am – 12:30 pm at 13671 W. Pattison Ave. Kenton. All are Invited.

Church Family Fellowship Luncheon: March 10 after service in the church fellowship hall. All are invited to attend. Meal is provided, this is not a potluck. We want to just have a time of fellowship with each other. Please try to attend.



From KGB to Christ: On March 13th at 7:00 pm, Dr. Sasha Tsutserov, president of Moscow Evangelical Christian Seminary, will be coming to speak at Walnut Grove Methodist Church. Dr. Tsutserov was a KGB agent keeping surveillance on several Christian missionaries when he found himself compelled by their words and converted to Christianity. God put a goal on his heart to train as many pastors as the KGB killed during the Soviet years. He'll be discussing his work and how we can support vital ministry in Russia. All are welcome to attend.

Community Palm Sunday Service w/ KHS Chorale: March 24 at 7 pm.

Maundy Thursday Service (communion): March 28 at 7 pm

Good Friday Prayer Times: March 29 at Noon and 6 pm

Community Easter Sunrise: March 31 at 7 am at Boy Scout Lake's small pavilion. Please bring a lawn chair.

Carl Lotz Scholarship Applications: Purpose: To provide a scholarship to a Hardin County student or church member who plans to further their education and/or training for their career. Application, eligibility requirements, and procedure list is available online at <https://forms.gle/p3Zdp3zHfsJmaqB16>. Deadline to apply is April 30 (Must complete All 3 steps).

Bike Blessing: May 19 at 11:30 am

Entering Church using South or East Entrance: During the wintry and potentially icy months, entrance will be available through the east and south doors. Thank you!

Coffee Hour News: Coffee Hour is offered as a time of fellowship in our lobby, and we hope you have time to greet one another before worship. If you take beverages into the sanctuary, please advise ushers of any spills. If spills are not cleaned up promptly, it creates stains on the carpet. Thank you for your understanding.



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

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.

Week at a Glance

Today, 3/3:	9:00 AM Women's Bible Study – FH 10:00 AM Worship Service 4-6 PM HCC March Madness – CMA Church 7:00 PM NA Meeting – Chapel
Monday, 3/4:	6:00 PM Girl Scouts - Chapel
Tuesday, 3/5:	1:00 PM First Tuesday – Blanchard Place 6:30 PM Celebrate Recovery – Chapel
Wednesday, 3/6:	5-7 PM Kid's Night 7:00 PM Bible Study
Thursday, 3/7:	6:30 Cub Scouts - Chapel
Friday, 3/8:	12:00 PM Prayer
Saturday, 3/9:	7:30 AM Men's Bible Study – Chapel 6-10:30 The Chosen Bible Study – FH

Week at a Glance:

Attendance (2/25): 49

Envelopes:

Loose Offering:

Loose Ones:

Mission (Gideons):

Ushers:

3/3: Kathy & Angel Forester

3/10: Shawn & Natasha Dyer



Easter Flower Sale

Flowers available from New Leaf:

**Lilies, Daffodils, Hyacinths,
Tulips & Pansy Bowl - All \$15**

Deadline to order: March 3

Money due at time of order.

