

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

**Just as you did it to
one of the least
of these
who are members
of my family,
you did it
to me.**

Matthew 25.40



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

Seventh Sunday after Epiphany

February 24, 2019

Nursery is provided off the sanctuary for children 0-4 years of age.

Contemporary Worship Service

8:30 AM

Welcome

Praise

Prayer

Children's Message

Offering – **Please sign and pass the pew attendance pads**

Scripture

Genesis 4:8-16

Matthew 25:31-46

(The scripture can be found in the bulletin.)

Sermon

My Brother's Keeper

Praise

Benediction

Traditional Worship Service

10:30 AM

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“TOLLING OF THE BELLS”

(Let us begin to still our hearts and minds for worship with the tolling of the bells.)

Welcome

Bell Introit *He Has Made Me Glad with Come Let Us
Worship and Bow Down* Brethorst/Doherty

Prelude *Blessed Be the Tie*

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

***Call to Worship** Liturgist: Jerry Pfister

L: Leader **C: Congregation**

Psalm 45:6-7a

L: Your throne, O God, is forever and ever.

C: **The scepter of Your kingdom is a scepter of
uprightness;**

L: you, O people, have loved righteousness and hated
wickedness.

C: **Therefore God, our God, has anointed us
with the oil of gladness.**

***The Gloria Patri**

Let Us Pray Unto the Lord:

The Pastoral Prayer

Missing Child: Iniaya Wilson – Columbus, OH

Mission of the Month: Shine FM

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

Children's Message **Thanks Living** Matthew 25:40

Hymn # 502 *Master, No Offering, Costly and Sweet*

Giving of Tithes and Offerings:

Offering Prayer

Offertory *Lord, I Want to Be a Christian* J. Carter

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*The Doxology

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Sermon

My Brother's Keeper

Chancel Choir

Lamb of God

Paris

***Hymn # 505**

Out of the Highways and Byways of Life

***Benediction**

Just As I Am

Bradbury

Postlude

Make Me a Blessing

*—Those who are able, please stand



Welcome to St. John's!

Scripture Readings (ESV):

Genesis 4:8 -16:

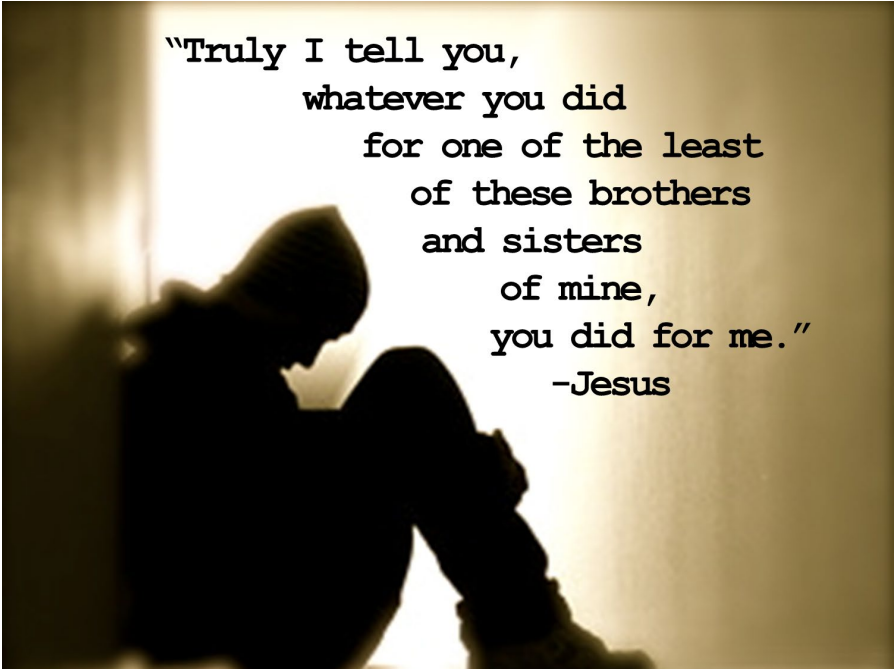
⁸ Cain spoke to Abel his brother. And when they were in the field, Cain rose up against his brother Abel and killed him. ⁹ Then the LORD said to Cain, “Where is Abel your brother?” He said, “I do not know; am I my brother's keeper?” ¹⁰ And the LORD said, “What have you done? The voice of your brother's blood is crying to Me from the ground. ¹¹ And now you are cursed from the ground, which has opened its mouth to receive your brother's blood from your hand. ¹² When you work the ground, it shall no longer yield to you its strength. You shall be a fugitive and a wanderer on the earth.” ¹³ Cain said to the LORD, “My punishment is greater than I can bear. ¹⁴ Behold, you have driven me today away from the ground, and from your face I shall be hidden. I shall be a fugitive and a wanderer on the earth, and whoever finds me will kill me.” ¹⁵ Then the LORD said to him, “Not so! If anyone kills Cain, vengeance shall be taken on him sevenfold.” And the LORD put a mark on Cain, lest any who found him should attack him. ¹⁶ Then Cain went away from the presence of the LORD and settled in the land of Nod, east of Eden.

Matthew 25:31- 46:

³¹ “When the Son of Man comes in His glory, and all the angels with Him, then He will sit on His glorious throne. ³² Before Him will be gathered all the nations, and He will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. ³³ And He will place the sheep on His right, but the goats on the left. ³⁴ Then the King will say to those on His right, ‘Come, you who are blessed by My Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. ³⁵ For I was hungry and you gave Me food, I was thirsty and you gave Me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed Me, ³⁶ I was naked and you clothed Me, I was sick and you visited Me, I was in prison and you came to Me.’ ³⁷ Then the righteous will answer Him, saying, ‘Lord, when did we see You hungry and feed You, or thirsty and give You drink? ³⁸ And when did we see You a stranger and welcome You, or naked and clothe You?’ ³⁹ And when did we see You sick or in prison and visit You?’ ⁴⁰ And the King will answer

them, 'Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these My brothers, you did it to Me.'

⁴¹ "Then He will say to those on His left, 'Depart from Me, you cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. ⁴² For I was hungry and you gave Me no food, I was thirsty and you gave Me no drink, ⁴³ I was a stranger and you did not welcome Me, naked and you did not clothe Me, sick and in prison and you did not visit Me.' ⁴⁴ Then they also will answer, saying, 'Lord, when did we see You hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not minister to You?' ⁴⁵ Then He will answer them, saying, 'Truly, I say to you, as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to Me.' ⁴⁶ And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."



"Truly I tell you,
whatever you did
for one of the least
of these brothers
and sisters
of mine,
you did for me."
-Jesus

Sermon Notes
24 February 2019

Scripture: **Genesis 4:8-16; Matthew 25:31-46**

Sermon: **My Brother's Keeper**

1. Where is God's heart for the poor and needy found in the scriptures? What examples do you recall from the sermon? Take time to find others and list.
2. Cain asked, "Am I my brother's keeper" in **Genesis 4:8**? How are we to answer that? What motivates you to love others and to see them as part of the family?
3. To you, what differentiates the sheep from the goats? What quality makes the biggest difference? Do you truly have that in your heart? How can you develop that trait?
4. How should serving "the least of these, the members of Jesus' family" be a more central part of St. John's mission and ministry? What will you do to build that into our church life?

Week at a Glance:

- Today 2/24:
- 8:30 AM Contemporary Worship Service
 - 9:30 AM Sunday School
 - 9:30 AM Confirmation - library
 - 10:30 AM Traditional Worship Service
 - 12:00 PM WAM Meeting
 - 1 – 3 PM Passion Play Practice
 - 3:00 PM Confirmation w/ Pastor
 - 4:00 PM Sing/Play for your Supper
 - 7:30 PM NA Meeting – Chapel
- Monday, 2/25:
- 11:30 AM – 1 PM SOUP – FH
 - 3:15 PM Staff
 - 6:00 PM Women’s Ministry
 - 6 – 9 PM CEF – Meditation Room
 - 7:00 PM Christian Ed Meeting – library
- Tuesday, 2/26:
- 11:30 AM – 1 PM SOUP – FH
 - 12:00 PM Prayer
 - 12:00 PM AA – Chapel
 - 6:30 PM Celebrate Recovery – Chapel
 - 6:45 PM Bells
 - 7:30 PM Myers LG – FH
- Wednesday, 2/27:
- 11:30 AM – 1 PM SOUP – FH
 - 5-7 PM Kid’s Night
 - 6-7:30 PM MS Youth
 - 6:00 PM Children’s Choir
 - 7:00 PM Chancel Choir
- Thursday, 2/28:
- 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM Open Gate – FH
 - 11:30 AM – 1 PM SOUP – FH
 - 12:00 PM AA Meeting – Chapel
 - 6:15 PM Praise Team Practice
- Friday, 3/1:
- 11:30 AM – 1 PM SOUP – FH
 - 11:30 AM Friday w/ Friends – Plaza Inn
 - 12:00 PM Prayer - Sanctuary
 - 5:00 PM NA – Chapel
- Saturday, 3/2:
- 7:30 AM Men’s Prayer Breakfast-
McDonalds
 - 12:00 PM NA Meeting – Chapel
 - 6:30 PM Lamb Banquet – FH

Announcements and Upcoming Events

Missing Child: our prayers today go out to Iniaya Wilson missing since January 25,, 2019 from Columbus, OH.

Mission of the Month: Shine FM

Passion Play Rehearsals: Begin this Sunday, February 24 from 1:00-3:00 pm and will meet each week at this time. Dress rehearsals will be Tuesday, April 16th. A sign-up sheet is in the back on the credenza. If you have questions, we invite you to contact Julie Strous (419-673-1587), Miranda Strous (567-674-1256), Kendra Dilts (419-674-1336) or the church office (419-673-7278).

Sing/Play for Your Supper: Today beginning at 4:00 PM in the sanctuary for a fun time of sharing music and song followed by a time of fellowship with a potluck – carry in dinner. Everyone is welcome to come!

Christian Ed Committee: Meeting Monday, February 25 at 7 PM in the library.

Ash Wednesday Service: March 6 at 7:00 PM.

The Passion Play Performances: April 18 & 19 at 8:00 PM.

Easter Sunday Worship Schedule:

7:00 AM – Community Sunrise Service –
Jerry Cross Park

8:30 AM – Contemporary Worship Service

9:30 AM – Breakfast (Youth fundraiser)

10:30 AM – Traditional Worship Service



VBS – Save the Date: June 10-13 from 6-8 PM for children preschool (potty-trained) through grade 5. Please prayerfully consider how you can help or volunteer. Watch the bulletin and newsletter for more information.

Youth Summer Camp – Mark your calendars:

HCC MS & HS Youth: Camp Common Grounds – Dunkirk: June 19-23

Middle School – Camp Cotubic - Bellefontaine: July 7-12

Let Michele Sherman know if interested, more information to come.

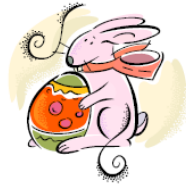


Mission Trip Interest: Anyone interested in going on an overseas mission trip in 2020, possibly to Guatemala please call/text Heather at 567-674-0020 or email at artzkitty@yahoo.com.

Children’s Ministry Job Opening: If anyone is interested in applying for the Christian Ministry position, a copy of the job description can be obtained from the church office or contact Kristina Van Buskirk, Personnel Chair, with any questions.

Nursery Volunteers Needed: The church is currently looking for some volunteers who would be willing to sit in the nursery during the 8:30 & 10:30 services. If you are interested or would like more information, please contact the church office.

**Breakfast with
the Bunny &
Easter Egg Hunt**



(for children up to grade 5)

Saturday, April 13 – 9:30 AM

**Free Community Event ~
Breakfast – Craft Stations
Photo station w/ Bunny– Egg Hunt**

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stjohnskenton@gmail.com if you plan
to attend.

**Reservations are helpful but not
required.**

The second most read Christian book to the Bible is coming to our local theaters soon. Paul Bunyan wrote “The Pilgrim’s Progress” while spending 12 years in prison for preaching illegally. It is a powerful allegory of man’s quest for salvation that is widely considered to be one of the greatest works of religious literature of all time. The originality of the work is partly due to the fact that Bunyan never had great fiction writers to copy. The only source of Bunyan’s inspiration was the Bible.

Now this masterpiece has been made into an animated movie for families to experience. **St. John’s will host a pod cast featuring the famous Christian writer Sheila Walsh on March 24th at 3:30 PM in the fellowship hall.**

The creators of this incredible film and in:ciite Events have partnered to bring your church or small group an opportunity to walk through the story, explore the film, and experience this incredible story with sneak peeks into the film. Join host, Shelia Walsh and a line-up of special guests as we take 1.5 hours and dive deep into the message of the movie.



Thank you for your service:

Ushers: 2/24: (8:30) Russ Cahill & Deb Temple
(10:30) Angel Forester, Natalie Horton, Dylan Mouk, Isaac Oreglia

3/3: (8:30) Kim Wirbel & Jane Donnelly (ushers)
(8:30) Russ Cahill, Kristina Van Buskirk, Mark Sherman (communion)
(10:30) Kristi Weaver, Nancy Rickenbacher, Jim Bidwell

Greeters: 3/3: (10:30) Donovan & Kristi Weaver

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

Prayer of Repentance and Salvation

Dear Heavenly Father, I thank You for Your Son, Jesus Christ, and for His death on the Cross for my sins and for the sins of the whole world.

I repent of my sins and turn to You for salvation. I surrender my life to You; come live in me.

Change me, cleanse me, forgive me, and make me the person that You want me to be in this world.

I receive You, Jesus Christ, as my personal Lord and Savior, today and forever more.

In Your holy name I pray. Amen.

WORSHIP LEADERS:

Senior Minister: Rev. Dr. Randall J. Forester

Contemporary Worship Leader: Kendra Dilts

Chancel Choir Director: David Beazley

Cherub & Children's Choir Director: Hope Cauley

Bell Choir Director: Jane Baker

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

Last Week:

Attendance: 8:30 a.m.: 56

10:30 a.m.: 54

Envelopes and Loose Offerings: \$2376.00

Loose \$1.00 bills - Good Samaritan Fund: \$22.00

Total of February (Shine FM): \$955.00

F.A.I.T.H. Time:

Golden Buckeye Attendance –

Golden Buckeye Offering – \$6.00