

Don't I have the right to do what I want with my own money? Or are you envious because I am generous? Matthew 20:15 http://worldprayr.org/

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# "Making and Maturing Disciples of Jesus Christ"

# Fourth Sunday of Lent March 27, 2022

Nursery is provided off the sanctuary for Infants –Kindergarten.

#### Welcome & Announcements

Silent Prelude/Prayer Habakkuk 2:20

The Lord is in His holy temple, Let all the earth keep silence before Him... Keep silence before Him.

\*Hymn #67

Fairest Lord Jesus

\*Call to Worship

L: Leader C: Congregation

#### Jonah 4:10-11a

- L: And the Lord said, "You pity the plant, for which you did not labor, nor did you make it grow, which came into being in a night and perished in a night.
- C: And should not I pity Nineveh, that great city, in which there are more than 120,000 persons who do not know their right hand from their left...?"

#### \*Gloria Patri

## Let Us Pray Unto the Lord:

The Pastoral Prayer

Missing Child: Ariel Beaufort– Columbus, OH Mission of the Month: Angels for the Elderly

The Lord's Prayer (Debts/Debtors)

**Special Music -** Hymn Sing Selections

# Giving of Tithes and Offerings:

Offering Prayer

Offerings can be placed in the baskets in back of sanctuary

\*Doxology

Scripture Philippians 1:21-30

Matthew 20:1-16

**Sermon** Grace: The Workers in the Vineyard

\*Hymn #286 Years I Spent in Vanity and Pride

\*Benediction

**Postlude** Wonderful Grace of Jesus

\*— Those who are able, please stand



Welcome to St. John's Church

Jr. Church: Today following the children's sermon K- Grade 5



2nd & Last Sunday each month following the Children's sermon

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

### Philippians 1:21-30:

<sup>21</sup> For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain. <sup>22</sup> If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me. Yet which I shall choose I cannot tell. <sup>23</sup> I am hard pressed between the two. My desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better. <sup>24</sup> But to remain in the flesh is more necessary on your account. <sup>25</sup> Convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with you all, for your progress and joy in the faith, <sup>26</sup> so that in me you may have ample cause to glory in Christ Jesus, because of my coming to you again. <sup>27</sup> Only let your manner of life be worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that whether I come and see you or am absent, I may hear of you that you are standing firm in one spirit, with one mind striving side by side for the faith of the gospel, <sup>28</sup> and not frightened in anything by your opponents. This is a clear sign to them of their destruction, but of your salvation, and that from God. <sup>29</sup> For it has been granted to you that for the sake of Christ you should not only believe in Him but also suffer for His sake, <sup>30</sup> engaged in the same conflict that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

#### Matthew 20:1-16:

1"For the kingdom of heaven is like a master of a house who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. <sup>2</sup> After agreeing with the laborers for a denarius a day, he sent them into his vineyard.<sup>3</sup> And going out about the third hour he saw others standing idle in the marketplace, 4 and to them he said, 'You go into the vineyard too, and whatever is right I will give you. '5 So they went. Going out again about the sixth hour and the ninth hour, he did the same. 6 And about the eleventh hour he went out and found others standing. And he said to them, 'Why do you stand here idle all day?' <sup>7</sup> They said to him, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You go into the vineyard too.' 8 And when evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his foreman, 'Call the laborers and pay them their wages, beginning with the last, up to the first.' 9 And when those hired about the eleventh hour came, each of them received a denarius. 10 Now when those hired first came, they thought they would receive more, but each of them also received a denarius. 11 And on receiving it they grumbled at the master of the house, <sup>12</sup> saying, 'These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.' <sup>13</sup> But he replied to one of them, 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong. Did you not agree with me for a denarius? <sup>14</sup>Take what belongs to you and go. I choose to give to this last worker as I give to you. <sup>15</sup> Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or do you begrudge my generosity?' <sup>16</sup>So the last will be first, and the first last."



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 <a href="https://forms.gle/BxSY59hvCfpdEM2J6">https://forms.gle/BxSY59hvCfpdEM2J6</a>. A copy of the application can also be found on the church website at <a href="www.stjohnskenton.org">www.stjohnskenton.org</a>. Deadline to apply is April 22.

Mission of the Month: Angels for the Elderly

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

# Sermon Notes **27 March 2022**

# Scripture: Philippians 1:21-30; Matthew 20:1-16

Sermon: Grace: The Workers in the Vineyard

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1.	Where is grace to be found in Paul's suffering and the suffering
	of the early Church (Philippians 1:29-30)? What does Paul mean
	when he writes, "to live is Christ, to die is gain" (Philippians
	1:21)?

2. Contrast how a new Christian may here the Parable of the Workers in the Vineyard as compared to someone who has been an active and mature Christian for years?

3. Is it fair that all the workers received the same wage? Did anyone receive more or less grace from the landowner (Matthew 20:13-15)?

4. How can you and St. John's make tangible **Matthew 20:16**: "So the last shall be first and the first last: for many are called, but few chosen" (KJV)? How does that verse motivate you to "labor in the vineyard" and to share the Gospel with others?

# Announcements and Upcoming Events

**Missing Child:** our prayers today go out to Ariel Beaufort missing since March 17, 2022 from Columbus, OH.

Nursery: Open for Children Infant – Kindergarten

**Jr. Church:** Jr. Church will be the 2<sup>nd</sup> and Last Sunday of each month. Children that are K- grade 5 are eligible to go to Jr. Church following the children's sermon on those weeks.

**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.

**Community Egg Hunt:** April 9 from 11 am – Noon at Jerry Cross Park. (For ages Preschool- Grade 5) We are participating with many churches.

Community Palm Sunday Service w/ KHS Chorale: April 10 at 7 pm

Tenebrae Service (Maundy Thursday): April 14 at 7 pm

**Passion Play Viewing Online:** Available April 15 at Noon and after to view at your convenience

**Community Sonrise Service:** April 17 at 6:45 am at Boy Scout Lake in the small (lower) pavilion. Please bring a lawn chair.

Children's Egg Hunt & Activity: April 17 at 9 am

Traditional Easter Festival Service: April 17 at 10 am

Piano Program (Benefit Concert for Child Evangelism Fellowship by Teresa Broseke): April 23 from 4-5:30 pm.

Carry-In Luncheon: April 24 following worship

Blanchard Place Ministry (First Tuesday) - May 3 at 1 pm: There is a group forming to visit Blanchard House the first Tuesday of the month to provide a time of song, scriptures, reflections, and prayers. If you would like to participate, please contact the office. You can lead parts of the worship service, visit the residents, or come to be supportive of this outreach.

**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.

**Positions available:** We are looking to fill the following openings, if you are interested or would like additional information, please contact the church office: Children's Choir Director, Sunday School Teacher, Praise Team Leader, Nursery attendants.

#### Week at a Glance

Today, 3/27: 9:00 AM Women's Bible Study – FH

10:00 AM Worship Service

Jr. Church following the children's sermon 12-4 PM Mental Health First Aid Training - FH

5-7 PM Youth Group

Tuesday, 3/29: 6:30 PM Celebrate Recovery Wednesday, 3/30: 5-7 PM Kid's Night- FH

7:00 PM Bible Study 7:00 PM Choir Practice

Friday, 4/1: 11:30 AM Friday w/ Friends

South Side Buckeye BBQ - Findlay

Saturday, 4/2: 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 (3/20): 75

Envelopes: Loose Ones: \$ Mission:

Ushers:

3/27: Hal Elsasser & Peggy Cahill 4/3: Barb Scott & Janice Rall



