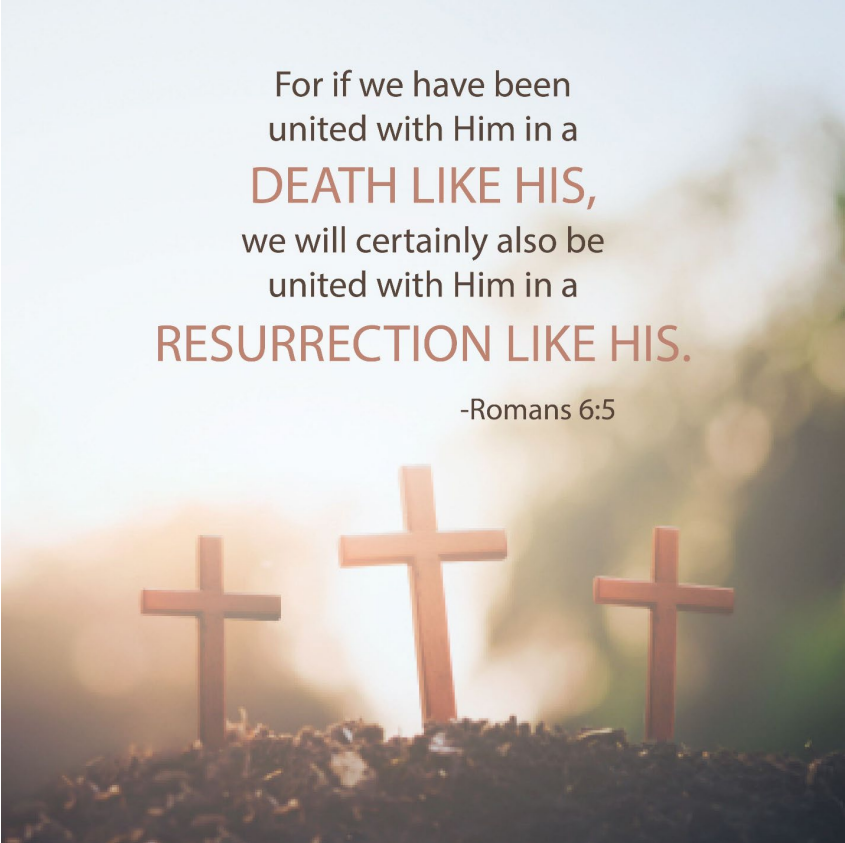


**St. John's:
Making and Maturing
Disciples of Jesus Christ**

For if we have been
united with Him in a
DEATH LIKE HIS,
we will certainly also be
united with Him in a
RESURRECTION LIKE HIS.

-Romans 6:5



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“Making and Maturing Disciples of Jesus Christ”

Easter Sunrise

April 5, 2026

Greeting

L: The Lord Jesus is risen

C: He is risen indeed!

L: Christ is risen

C: He is risen indeed!

L: Praise be to God in the Highest!

C: Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Amen.

Call to Worship

114th Psalm

L: When Israel went out from Egypt,

C: the house of Jacob from a people of strange language,

L: Judah became His sanctuary,

C: Israel His dominion.

L: The sea looked and fled;

C: Jordan turned back.

L: The mountains skipped like rams,

C: the hills like lambs.

L: What ails you, O sea, that you flee?

C: O Jordan, that you turn back?

L: O mountains, that you skip like rams?

C: O hills, like lambs?

L: Tremble, O earth, at the presence of the Lord,

C: at the presence of the God of Jacob,

L: who turns the rock into a pool of water,

C: the flint into a spring of water.

Hymn

He Lives

1. I serve a risen Savior, He's in the world today;
I know that He is living, whatever men may say;
I see His hand of mercy, I hear His voice of cheer
And just the time I need Him He's always near.

Refrain

He lives, He lives, Christ Jesus lives today!
He walks with me and talks with me
along life's narrow way. He lives, He lives,
salvation to impart! You ask me how I know He lives?
He lives within my heart.

2. In all the world around me I see His loving care,
And tho' my heart grows weary I never will despair;
I know that He is leading thru all the stormy blast,
The day of His appearing will come at last. [Refrain]

3. Rejoice, rejoice, O Christian, lift up your voice and sing,
Eternal hallelujahs to Jesus Christ the King!
The hope of all who seek Him, the help of all who find,
None other is so loving, so good and kind. [Refrain]

Prayer for Sunrise Worship

O God, who for our redemption gave Your only-begotten Son to the death of the cross, and by His glorious resurrection delivered us from the power of our enemy: Grant us so to die daily to sin, that we may evermore live with Him in the joy of His resurrection; through Jesus Christ Your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with You, O Father, and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Scripture

Romans 6:3-11

³ Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death? ⁴ We were buried therefore with Him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life.

⁵ For if we have been united with Him in a death like His, we shall certainly be united with Him in a resurrection like His. ⁶ We know

that our old self was crucified with Him in order that the body of sin might be brought to nothing, so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin. ⁷ For one who has died has been set free from sin. ⁸ Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with Him. ⁹ We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over Him. ¹⁰ For the death He died He died to sin, once for all, but the life He lives He lives to God. ¹¹ So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

Scripture

Matthew 28:1-10

¹ Now after the Sabbath, toward the dawn of the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. ² And behold, there was a great earthquake, for an angel of the Lord descended from heaven and came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. ³ His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. ⁴ And for fear of him the guards trembled and became like dead men. ⁵ But the angel said to the women, “Do not be afraid, for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. ⁶ He is not here, for He has risen, as He said. Come, see the place where He lay. ⁷ Then go quickly and tell His disciples that He has risen from the dead, and behold, He is going before you to Galilee; there you will see Him. See, I have told you.” ⁸ So they departed quickly from the tomb with fear and great joy, and ran to tell His disciples. ⁹ And behold, Jesus met them and said, “Greetings!” And they came up and took hold of His feet and worshiped Him. ¹⁰ Then Jesus said to them, “Do not be afraid; go and tell My brothers to go to Galilee, and there they will see Me.”

Sermon

The New Self Rises

Closing Prayer

Risen Lord Jesus, we stand in awe of Your resurrection, the triumph that shattered death's hold. Thank You for Your love, poured out on the cross and sealed in the empty tomb. Fill us with Your joy, strengthen us with Your Spirit, and guide us to carry Your light into the world. May our lives proclaim Your victory forever. Amen.

Easter Hymn *Christ the Lord is Risen Today*

1. Christ the Lord is risen today, Alleluia!
Sons of men and angels say, Alleluia!
Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia!
Sing, ye heav'ns, and earth reply, Alleluia!
2. Lives again our glorious King, Alleluia!
Where, O death, is now thy sting? Alleluia!
Dying once, He all doth save, Alleluia!
Where thy victory, O grave? Alleluia!
3. Love's redeeming work is done, Alleluia!
Fought the fight, the battle won, Alleluia!
Death in vain forbids Him rise, Alleluia!
Christ has opened Paradise, Alleluia!
4. Soar we now where Christ has led, Alleluia!
Following our exalted Head, Alleluia!
Made like Him, like Him we rise, Alleluia!
Ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Alleluia!

Benediction based on **Hebrews 13**

And now, may the God of peace,
who brought back again from the dead our Lord Jesus,
equip you with all you need for doing His will.
May He produce in you,
through the power of Jesus Christ,
all that is pleasing to Him.
To Him be glory forever and ever. Amen

Easter Acclamation

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C: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Announcements and Upcoming Events

Missing Person: Today we pray for Ericka Heaton missing from E. Liverpool, OH.

Euchre game: April 9 at 1 pm in the fellowship hall. All are welcome

Dinner Club: April 17 at 6 pm Cheers to You (Upper Sandusky) – meet at the church at 5:30

New Saturday morning Bible Study (6 wks.): Starting April 18 from 10:30-12, Anna will lead the Max Lucado study called “In the Footsteps of the Savior”. The study guide can be purchased on Amazon <https://www.amazon.com/Footsteps-Savior-Bible-Study-Streaming/dp/0310163838> and if you want the book <https://www.amazon.com/Footsteps-Savior-Following-Jesus-Through/dp/1400335167> or here’s the set on faith gateway <https://faithgateway.com/products/in-the-footsteps-of-the-savior-standard-bundle>

Book Club: April 20 at 1 pm at Kae Merold’s- *The Lost Letter* by D. Stevens

Morgan’s Place – more than a cemetery: April 26 – Speaker will share during worship info. regarding their ministry to assist those who have experienced a miscarriage, abortion or still birth. Please invite anyone to join us in worship. Lunch will be served after worship with an opportunity to ask our speakers questions.

Dinner Club: May 15 at the Bears Den (Mt. Victory) at 6 pm, meet at church at 5:30

Carl Lotz Scholarship: Students **must** either attend school or church within Hardin County to be eligible, due May 20. Please complete the application online at: <https://forms.gle/tBA1fMWDrkyh9esJ8>

Fishing Derby: May 30, 9:30-Noon at Boy Scout Lake

Confirmation Sunday: May 31

Joint Service & Picnic with Stone Table Church: June 14 - combined service in the sanctuary at 10 am then go to Boy Scout Lake for a picnic

Dinner Club: June 27 meet at church at 11:15 am – G&R Tavern, Waldo (cash only)

VBS: July 19-22

Elijah: Star Theater Day Trip: Oct. 3 at 1 pm for show and dinner after. Cost is \$69.44 (show, dinner, tax, tip) Tickets need ordered soon- See Janie

Jr. Church the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month

Nursery Subs Needed: We are in need of a few nursery subs, someone who can fill in when needed,. If you are interested, please talk to Janie.

MomCo Mom's group –The meetup will be on the 1st and 3rd Mondays at 9 am and the 2nd and the 4th Monday at 6pm in the Fellowship Hall. Janie is in need of volunteers to help with the moms and with the kids. Please consider joining her in building this program and getting young families involved in our church.

Laundromat Ministry: A sign-up sheet is in the back of the church with upcoming dates. See Mary Ralston if you would like to schedule a different time or date. You may also support the ministry by filling pill bottles with quarters that are included in the packets. They are also available on the welcome desk.

Bulletin Announcements: due by Friday at 8:30 AM. If you wish to have it added to the website, please email Richard at rkatterjohn@gmail.com.

Please join us for our Annual Bike Blessing



And Car and Bike Show



May 17, 2026

211 E. Carrol St., Kenton, OH

9:00 - 11:30 Registration

12:00 - 2:00 Car and Bike Show

12:15 - Blessing of the Bikes

1:30 - Presentation of Trophies

Food available at 11:00 from Kenton Scouts 121

Open to the Public

Open invitation to all to attend Worship

Service beginning at 10am

Hosted by:

St. John's Evangelical Church
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Association, God's Thunder



**ST. JOHN'S
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**FUN & PRIZES!
UP TO AGE 16**

**MAY 30, 2026
9:30 AM TO 12PM
FREE EVENT FOR KIDS**

**BOY SCOUT LAKE
15906 OH 309, KENTON, OH 43326**

Week at a Glance

Today, 4/5:	7:00 AM Easter Sunrise – Boy Scout Lake 10:00 AM Worship Service
Monday, 4/6:	9:00 AM MomCo 5:00 PM Missions/Evangelism 6:30 PM Scout Troop 121 – Basement
Tuesday, 4/7:	1:00 PM First Tuesday 5:00 PM CR Step Studies 6:30 PM Celebrate Recovery – Chapel
Wednesday, 4/8:	5- 6:45 PM Kingdom Kids Club
Thursday, 4/9:	6:00 PM Church Council 6:00 PM Bible Study – Chapel 6:30 PM Cub Scouts – Basement
Friday, 4/10:	12:00 PM Prayer - Sanctuary
Saturday, 4/11:	7:30 AM Men’s Bible Study – Chapel 9:00 AM Bible Recap Study- library

