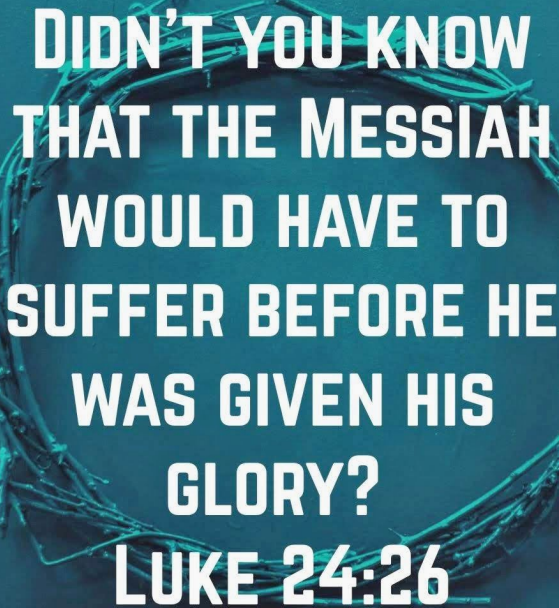


19 April 2026

Third Sunday of Easter

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



DIDN'T YOU KNOW
THAT THE MESSIAH
WOULD HAVE TO
SUFFER BEFORE HE
WAS GIVEN HIS
GLORY?
LUKE 24:26

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Nursery is provided off the sanctuary for Infants – Kindergarten

Welcome & Announcements (Greet online viewers)

Prelude

Softly and Tenderly

WL Thompson

***Call to Worship 116th Psalm 1-4**

L: I love the Lord, because He has heard

C: my voice and my pleas for mercy.

L: Because He inclined His ear to me,

C: therefore I will call on Him as long as I live.

L: The snares of death encompassed me;
the pangs of Sheol laid hold on me;

C: I suffered distress and anguish.

L: Then I called on the name of the Lord:

C: “O Lord, I pray, deliver my soul!”

*** Gloria Patri**

***Praise Music**

Goodness of God

10,000 Reasons

Augustin Forester, John Wesley Korani & Joice Nissi Korani

Let Us Pray Unto the Lord:

The Pastoral Prayer

Missing Child: Faith Bauer – Columbus, OH

Mission of the Month: SOUP

The Lord's Prayer

Children's Sermon

Seeing Clearly

Luke 24:30-31

Giving of Tithes and Offerings:

Offering Prayer

Offerings can be placed in the baskets in back of sanctuary

***Doxology**

***Hymn #225**

Standing on the Promises

Scripture

Psalm 116:10-17

Luke 24:13-35

Sermon

Keep Searching for Hope

*** Hymn #249**

There Shall Be Showers of Blessing

*** Benediction**

Postlude

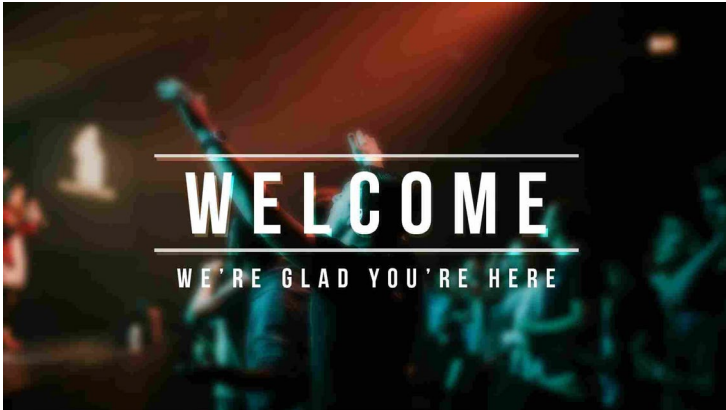
But for the Showers We Plead

J. McGranahan

*— Those who are able, please stand

When the Christ Candle enters, may we center ourselves on worshipping Him.

When the Christ Candle leaves, may we follow Christ into the world.



*Welcome to
St. John's Church*

Scripture:

Psalm 116:10-17:

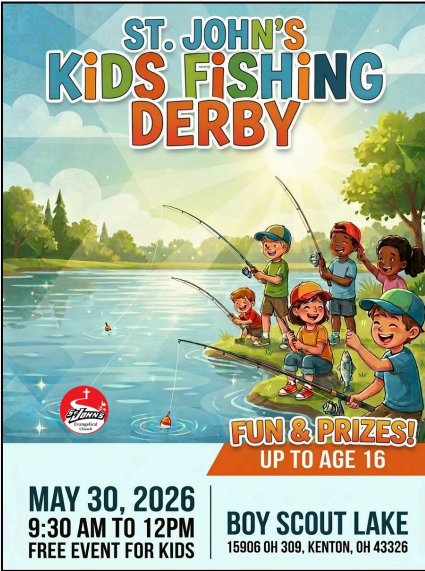
¹⁰I believed, even when I spoke: “I am greatly afflicted”; ¹¹ I said in my alarm, “All mankind are liars.” ¹² What shall I render to the Lord for all His benefits to me? ¹³ I will lift up the cup of salvation and call on the name of the Lord, ¹⁴ I will pay my vows to the Lord in the presence of all His people. ¹⁵ Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints. ¹⁶ O Lord, I am Your servant; I am Your servant, the son of Your maidservant. You have loosed my bonds. ¹⁷ I will offer to You the sacrifice of thanksgiving and call on the name of the Lord.

Luke 24:13-35:

¹³ That very day two of them were going to a village named Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, ¹⁴ and they were talking with each other about all these things that had happened. ¹⁵ While they were talking and discussing together, Jesus Himself drew near and went with them. ¹⁶ But their eyes were kept from recognizing Him. ¹⁷ And He said to them, “What is this conversation that you are holding with each other as you walk?” And they stood still, looking sad. ¹⁸ Then one of them, named Cleopas, answered Him, “Are You the only visitor to Jerusalem who does not know the things that have happened there in these days?” ¹⁹ And He said to them, “What things?” And they said to Him, “Concerning Jesus of Nazareth, a man who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, ²⁰ and how our chief priests and rulers delivered Him up to be condemned to death, and crucified Him. ²¹ But we had hoped that He was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things happened. ²² Moreover, some women of our company amazed us. They were at the tomb early in the morning, ²³ and when they did not find His body, they came back saying that they had even seen a vision of angels, who said that He was alive. ²⁴ Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but Him they did not see.” ²⁵ And He said to them, “O foolish ones, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken! ²⁶ Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into His glory?” ²⁷ And

beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, He interpreted to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning Himself.

²⁸ So they drew near to the village to which they were going. He acted as if He were going farther, ²⁹ but they urged Him strongly, saying, “Stay with us, for it is toward evening and the day is now far spent.” So He went in to stay with them. ³⁰ When He was at table with them, He took the bread and blessed and broke it and gave it to them. ³¹ And their eyes were opened, and they recognized Him. And He vanished from their sight. ³² They said to each other, “Did not our hearts burn within us while He talked to us on the road, while He opened to us the Scriptures?” ³³ And they rose that same hour and returned to Jerusalem. And they found the eleven and those who were with them gathered together, ³⁴ saying, “The Lord has risen indeed, and has appeared to Simon!” ³⁵ Then they told what had happened on the road, and how He was known to them in the breaking of the bread.



**ST. JOHN'S
KIDS FISHING
DERBY**

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

St. John's Evangelical Church logo

Please join us for our Annual Bike Blessing



Blessing of the Bikes!

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
and Christian Motorcycle
Association, God's Thunder**



Sermon Notes

19 April 2026

Scripture: **116th Psalm 10-17; Luke 24:13-35**

Sermon: **Keep Searching for Hope**

1. How does the **116th Psalm** inspire you to praise God? What will you render to Him for what He has done for you? How do you give yourself fully to being a servant of the LORD?
2. How do you relate to the story on the Emmaus Road? What in the Bible or about Christ's life do you find difficult to emulate, internalize, or believe? Why?
3. Do the scriptures awaken something in you? Do they cause your heart to burn? With what—a desire to know more...hope...love...a desire to serve or to tell? What do the scriptures bring forth in you?
4. How does the broken bread speak to you? How do you meet Jesus in the broken places—at the Cross, in Communion, in the people on the margins of your mind or at the edges of society?

Sola fide (faith alone)—“Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into His glory?” —**Luke 24:26**

Announcements and Upcoming Events

Missing Person: Today we pray for Faith Bauer missing from Columbus, OH.

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

Graduation Sunday: June 7 – we will honor our graduates during the service. Please let Janie know if you are graduating this year.

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 10:30 am and the 2nd and the 4th Monday at 6 pm in the Fellowship Hall.

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.

Week at a Glance

Today, 4/19: 9:00 AM Women’s Bible Study – FH
10:00 AM Worship Service

Monday, 4/20: 10:30 AM MomCo
6:30 PM Scout Troop 121 – Basement

Tuesday, 4/21: 5:00 PM CR Step Studies
6:30 PM Celebrate Recovery – Chapel

Thursday, 4/23: 5:00 PM Kingdom Kids Club Bowling
6:00 PM Bible Study – Chapel
6:30 PM Cub Scouts – Basement

Friday, 4/24: 12:00 PM Prayer – Sanctuary

Saturday, 4/25: 7:30 AM Men’s Bible Study – Chapel
9:00 AM Bible Recap Study- library
10:30 AM Max Lucado Study – FH

Week at a Glance:

Attendance (4/12): 68
Envelopes: \$2981
Loose Offering: \$45
Loose Ones: \$5
Mission (SOUP): \$445

Ushers:

4/19: Virginia Tice & Nancy Rickenbacher
4/26: Bruce & Vicki Mortensen



Thursday Bible Study: The Bible Study on Thursdays at 6 pm, for the summer, will study *Cost of Discipleship* by Bonhoeffer. All are welcome and the book is provided.