

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

*Mine eyes have seen thy  
salvation. ~ Luke 2:30 (NKJV)*



**ST. JOHN'S EVANGELICAL CHURCH  
211 EAST CARROL STREET  
KENTON, OH 43326**

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## “Making and Maturing Disciples of Jesus Christ”

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### Presentation of Jesus in the Temple

February 1, 2026

*Nursery is provided off the sanctuary for Infants – Kindergarten*

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### Welcome & Announcements (Greet online viewers)

#### Prelude

Hymn #37                    *Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

\*Call to Worship            **Malachi 3:2-4**

L: ...who can endure the day of His coming, and who can stand when He appears?

**C: For He is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap.**

L: e will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and He will purify the sons of Levi and refine them like gold and silver,

**C: and they will bring offerings in righteousness to the Lord.**

L: Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the Lord

**C: as in the days of old and as in former years.**

#### \*Prayer for the Day

L: Let us pray:

**C: Almighty and everliving God, we humbly pray that, as Your only-begotten Son was this day presented in the temple, so we may be presented to You with pure and clean hearts by Jesus Christ our Lord; who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

#### \* Gloria Patri

## **Let Us Pray Unto the Lord:**

## The Pastoral Prayer

## Missing Child: Jonathan Gindele – Middletown, OH

## Mission of the Month: Scouts – Pack/Troop 121

## The Lord's Prayer

## Children's Sermon      Our God Is Faithful, 100%

Luke 2:25-26

## **Giving of Tithes and Offerings:**

## Offering Prayer

Offerings can be placed in the baskets in back of sanctuary

### \*Doxology

**Scripture**      **Hebrews 2:14-18**  
                          **Luke 2:22-40**

## Like Us in Every Way

## Chancel Choir      *In You, We Are One*      Althouse

## **Sacrament of Holy Communion**

\*The Apostles' Creed back of hymnal

## The Blessing and Sharing of the Elements

**\* Hymn #41      *Children of the Heavenly Father***

## \* Benediction

## Postlude

\*— Those who are able, please stand

# Welcome to St. John's Church



## **Annual Congregational Meeting**

**February 15 @ 11:00 am**

*Please note date change*

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

### **Hebrews 2:14-18:**

<sup>14</sup> Since therefore the children share in flesh and blood, He Himself likewise partook of the same things, that through death He might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil.<sup>15</sup> and deliver all those who through fear of death were subject to lifelong slavery.<sup>16</sup> For surely it is not angels that He helps, but He helps the offspring of Abraham.<sup>17</sup> Therefore He had to be made like His brothers in every respect, so that He might become a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make propitiation for the sins of the people.<sup>18</sup> For because He Himself has suffered when tempted, He is able to help those who are being tempted.

### **Luke 2:22-40:**

<sup>22</sup> And when the time came for their purification according to the Law of Moses, they brought Him up to Jerusalem to present Him to the Lord<sup>23</sup> (as it is written in the Law of the Lord, “Every male who first opens the womb shall be called holy to the Lord”)<sup>24</sup> and to offer a sacrifice according to what is said in the Law of the Lord, “a pair of turtledoves, or two young pigeons.”<sup>25</sup> Now there was a man in Jerusalem, whose name was Simeon, and this man was righteous and devout, waiting for the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was upon him.<sup>26</sup> And it had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Christ.<sup>27</sup> And he came in the Spirit into the temple, and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for Him according to the custom of the Law,<sup>28</sup> he took Him up in his arms and blessed God and said,<sup>29</sup> “Lord, now You are letting Your servant depart in peace, according to Your word;<sup>30</sup> for my eyes have seen Your salvation<sup>31</sup> that You have prepared in the presence of all peoples,<sup>32</sup> a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and for glory to Your people Israel.”<sup>33</sup> And His father and His mother marveled at what was said about Him.<sup>34</sup> And Simeon blessed them and said to Mary His mother, “Behold, this child is appointed for the fall and rising of many in Israel, and for a sign that is opposed<sup>35</sup> (and a sword will pierce through your own soul also), so that thoughts from many hearts may be revealed.”<sup>36</sup> And there was a prophetess, Anna, the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was advanced in years, having lived with her husband seven years from when she was a virgin,<sup>37</sup> and then as a widow until she was eighty-four. She did not depart from the temple, worshiping with fasting and prayer night and day.<sup>38</sup> And coming up at that very hour she began to give thanks to God and to speak of Him to all who were waiting for the redemption of Jerusalem.<sup>39</sup> And when they had performed everything according to the Law of the Lord, they returned into Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth.<sup>40</sup> And the child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom. And the favor of God was upon Him.

Sermon Notes

**01 February 2026**

Scripture: **Hebrews 2:14-18; Luke 2:22-40**

Sermon: **Like Us in Every Way**

1. How does the nature of the Incarnation—the way in which Jesus took on flesh—inform you about how to live a Christian life? How does the way Jesus lived shape how you are to live?
2. What does **Hebrews** say that Christ shares with us? Is there anything He does not share with us? What then does this allow Him to do and to be for us?
3. How do Anna and Simeon recognize Jesus? How is He, as an infant, enough for them to elicit joyful praise? Is Jesus' presence enough for you? Why or why not?
4. How are you growing in wisdom with God's grace upon you (**Luke 2:40**)? What simple and basic things is God using to inform your faith as He did with Jesus?

***Sola Gratia*** (grace alone)—“for my eyes have seen Your salvation.”—**Luke 2:30**

## Announcements and Upcoming Events

**Missing Person:** Today we pray for Jonathan Gindele missing from Middletown, OH.

**Soup Cook-Off & Euchre/Cards Luncheon:** Today following the worship service. Please bring your favorite soup to share if you want to compete and everyone will vote for their favorite. We will play Euchre or any other game you would like to play and spend the afternoon in fellowship. Invite a friend or two. Great way to pass a gray cold Sunday afternoon.

**Laundromat Ministry:** The mission committee is inviting all members to join them in the Laundromat Ministry. They have opportunities in 2 hour increments scheduled to see what the interest will be. Mary and Janice will begin by going with people at first as you will have bags to distribute that contain church info. along with laundry pods, dryer sheets and coins. A sign-up sheet is available on the welcome desk. Also indicate if you are interested with times and days that would work better for you for future dates. Dates and time frames: Feb. 2 at Scioto Village 1-5; Feb. 10 at Forest Court 1-3; Feb. 18 at S. Main St. 1-5; Feb. 26 at Seaton Kenton TBD. Again, you will sign up for 2 hr. increments.

**Book Club:** February 2 at 1 pm at Janie's House. The book they are reading is called Before the Swallows Come Back by Fiona Curnow.

**Movie Night:** February 6 at 6pm. We will be watching Joseph. Straight from the Sight & Sound vault comes JOSEPH! Filmed in front of a live audience at Sight & Sound Theatres in 2010, this exhilarating story about dreams and the power of forgiveness is one of our most beloved productions. From the fields of Canaan to the stunning palaces of Egypt, join this adventurous dreamer on a journey to discover God's plan for his life. Doors open at 5:30 movies at 6. Refreshments will be served.

**Annual Congregational Meeting:** February 15 after worship

<b>Nominations for Council:</b>	Trustee:	Richard Katterjohn
		Jeff Neuhauser
	Elder:	Kay Rush
		1 yr. term available

**At the annual meeting, the following item of business will be brought forward:** The Council recommends that the congregation of St. John's Evangelical Church (Kenton, OH) disaffiliates with the United Church of Christ.

**Church Fellowship Luncheon:** February 15 at 11:15 am following worship. Food is provided. All are welcome!

**Ash Wednesday Service:** February 18 at 7:00 pm

**February Dinner Club:** February 28 meet at the church at 3:30 pm to go to the Belle Center Diner

**New Member Class – March 8 at 2 pm:** If you are interested in becoming a member or get more information, please contact the church office, Pastor Randall, or Janie.

**March Dinner Club:** March 14 at Angle Back at 11 am in Marseilles (meet at church at 10:30 am)

**Spring Serve Day:** March 15 following worship

**Bring a Friend to Church Sunday & Luncheon:** March 22- there will be luncheon after church with Bingo

**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 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Mondays at 9 am and the 2<sup>nd</sup> and the 4<sup>th</sup> 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.

**Stone Table Church:** Sundays at 11:15 am in the Chapel. Pastor Randall will be preaching the following Sundays for them: February 22, and March 8.

**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](mailto:rkatterjohn@gmail.com).



## Week at a Glance

Today, 2/1:

9:00 AM Women's Bible Study

10:00 AM Worship Service

11:30 AM Soup Cook- Off & Euchre/Cards

Monday, 2/2:

9:00 AM MomCo Meetup- FH

1:00 PM Book Club – Janie's Home

1-5 PM Laundromat Mission – Scioto Village

5:00 PM Missions/Evangelism

6:30 PM Scout Troop 121 – Basement

Tuesday, 2/3:

1:00 PM First Tuesday – Blanchard Place

5:00 PM CR Step Studies

6:30 PM Celebrate Recovery – Chapel

Wednesday, 2/4:

5-6:45 PM Kingdom Kids Club

Thursday, 2/5:

6:00 PM Bible Study – Chapel

6:30 PM Cub Scouts – Basement

Friday, 2/6:

11:30 AM Friday w/ Friends

Jac N Does – Kenton

6:00 PM Free Movie Night – Joseph

Doors open at 5:30 pm

Saturday, 2/3:

7:30 AM Men's Bible Study – Chapel

9:00 AM Bible Recap Study- library

10:00 AM The Chosen Bible Study – FH

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### **Week at a Glance:**

Attendance (1/25): no church

Envelopes:

Loose Offering:

Loose Ones:

Mission (Matthew 25):

Ushers:

2/1: Hal Elsasser & Alora England

2/8: Scouts, Shane Harkenrider & Jim Bidwell

