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Making and Maturing Disciples of Jesus Christ



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Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost
October 25, 2026
Nursery is provided off the sanctuary for Infants – Kindergarten

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Welcome & Announcements (Greet online viewers)

Prelude *Shepherd of Love* J. Peterson

Pass the Peace- Greet One Another

Hymn #321** ***Saviour, Like a Shepherd Lead Us

***Call to Worship Psalm 14:2-3, 7**

L: The Lord looks down from heaven on the children of man,
C: to see if there are any who understand,
who seek after God.
L: They have all turned aside; together they have become corrupt;
C: there is none who does good,
not even one.
L: Oh, that salvation for Israel would come out of Zion!
When the Lord restores the fortunes of His people,
C: let Jacob rejoice, let Israel be glad.

*** Gloria Patri**

Let Us Pray Unto the Lord:

The Pastoral Prayer
Missing Child: Caleb Birkbeck – Dayton, OH
Mission of the Month: Safe Haven of Hardin County
The Lord's Prayer

Children's Sermon	**The Lost Sheep**	Luke 15:1-7
Special Music		Joy Van Horn

Giving of Tithes and Offerings:

Offering Prayer

Offerings can be placed in the baskets in back the of sanctuary

***Doxology**

Scripture	**II Corinthians 7:8-13a** **Luke 15:1-10**
Sermon	**Warmer or Colder?**
*** Hymn-** insert	***The Ninety and Nine***
*** Benediction**	
Postlude	*The Ninety and Nine*

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*— Those who are able, please stand



Welcome to St. John's Church

Please review the "Frequent Questions Concerning Denomination Decision" insert in your bulletin from the committee before November 8.

Scripture (ESV):

II Corinthians 7:8-13a:

8 For even if I made you grieve with my letter, I do not regret it—
though I did regret it, for I see that that letter grieved you, though
only for a while. 9 As it is, I rejoice, not because you were grieved,
but because you were grieved into repenting. For you felt a godly
grief, so that you suffered no loss through us.
10 For godly grief produces a repentance that leads to salvation
without regret, whereas worldly grief produces death. 11 For see what
earnestness this godly grief has produced in you, but also what
eagerness to clear yourselves, what indignation, what fear, what
longing, what zeal, what punishment! At every point you have
proved yourselves innocent in the matter. 12 So although I wrote to
you, it was not for the sake of the one who did the wrong, nor for the
sake of the one who suffered the wrong, but in order that your
earnestness for us might be revealed to you in the sight of God.
13Therefore we are comforted.

Luke 15:1-10:

1 Now the tax collectors and sinners were all drawing near to hear
Him. 2 And the Pharisees and the scribes grumbled, saying, "This
man receives sinners and eats with them." 3 So He told them this
parable: 4 "What man of you, having a hundred sheep, if he has lost
one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the open country, and
go after the one that is lost, until he finds it? 5 And when he has
found it, he lays it on his shoulders, rejoicing. 6 And when he comes
home, he calls together his friends and his neighbors, saying to them,
'Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.' 7 Just so,
I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who
repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no
repentance.
8 "Or what woman, having ten silver coins, if she loses one coin,
does not light a lamp and sweep the house and seek diligently until
she finds it? 9 And when she has found it, she calls together her
friends and neighbors, saying, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found the
coin that I had lost.' 10 Just so, I tell you, there is joy before the
angels of God over one sinner who repents."

Sermon Notes

25 October 2026

Scripture: **II Corinthians 7:8-13a; Luke 15:1-10**

Sermon: **Warmer or Colder?**

1. How has godly grief wrought repentance in your life? How is good working to bring greater repentance in your life? In what area(s)? Reflect deeply on this.

2. In **Luke 15**, what motivates Jesus to tell the parable? To what is Jesus responding? What was radical about this then? Why is it still radical?

3. What is the response to the one that is found? Where does this take place? How can we bring that heavenly joy to earth? What are some practical ways?

4. How have you heard the angels cry, "Warmer" to you and rejoiced over you? How can you bring that joy into the lives of others? For whom are you called to seek? Write down their names and go.

Sola Fide(faith alone)—"… godly grief produces a repentance that leads to salvation…" **—II Corinthians 7:10b**

Announcements and Upcoming Events

Missing Person: Today we pray for Caleb Birkbeck missing from Dayton, OH.

Ride Requested for Sunday mornings: Pattie Williams requests a ride to church on Sundays. She is at KNRC. Please see Janie or Pastor Randall if you are willing to help transport.

Candy Donation: Stone Table is looking for candy donations for Trick or treat. They are doing a praise event in the parking lot and would like to give out candy. There will be a tote in the back of the sanctuary.

Outdoor Worship – Stone Table: October 31 from 3-5 pm in the church parking lot. All are invited to attend.

Daylight Savings Time Ends: November 1 – set your clocks back one hour.

Memorial & Dedication Sunday: On November 1, we will remember the saints that have gone on before us since last November. We will also dedicate the new altar and communion cloths.

Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes: deadline is November 8

Denominational Affiliation: We are thinking of joining the Churches of God, General Conference. They are located at: 700 E. Melrose Ave., Findlay, OH 45840. Phone number: 419-424-1961. Information can be found on their website at: https://www.cggc.org. If you have any questions, please talk to Pastor Randall or Jerry.
Special Congregational Meeting: November 8.

Community Dinner: November 10 from 5-6:30. One week early due to the Women's Celebration.

Women's Celebration Dinner: November 19 at St. John's Church. The doors will open at 5 pm with dinner served at 6 pm. Tickets are $25. Contact the church office to reserve a spot.

Decorating the Church: November 22 following the morning service. Plan to stay and adorn the church in preparation for the birth of Christ. Come out for a great time of fellowship and fun.



Poinsettia Sponsorship: We will have artificial poinsettias to decorate for Christmas this year. The poinsettias are provided by the church and will remain at the church, but we are asking people to sponsor them with a donation to have your memorials/honors/gifts placed in the bulletin. Slips will be available as before to complete with your information. We will collect Sponsorship forms until December 15. Any questions, please see Nancy Weaver or the church office.



Christmas Eve Candlelight Service: Our Traditional Christmas Eve Candlelight Service is December 24 at 8 pm.

Council Needs in 2027: The Board is looking for 2 new members to fill positions coming open in January. Pray about how you can serve.

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

Bulletin Announcements: due by **Thursday** at 8:30 AM. Please email them to Kathy at kathyforester.stjohns@gmail.com. If you wish to have it added to the website, please email Richard at rkatterjohn@gmail.com.





Week at a Glance

Today, 10/25:	9:00 AM Women's Bible Study – FH
	10:00 AM Worship Service
	6:30 PM MomCo - FH
Monday, 10/26:	6:30 PM Scouts
Tuesday, 10/27:	6:00 PM Women's Ministry
	6:30 PM Celebrate Recovery – Chapel
Wednesday, 10/28:	5:00 PM Kingdom Kids Club
Thursday, 10/29:	6:00 PM Bible Study
	6:30 PM Scouts
Saturday, 10/31:	7:30 AM Men's Bible Study – Chapel
	9:00 AM Bible Recap – library
	3-5 PM Outdoor Worship – Parking lot
	Stone Table Church

Week at a Glance:

Attendance (10/18): 64
Envelopes: 10/11: $2640 10/18: $4245
Loose Offering: 10/11: $55 10/18: $80
Loose Ones: 10/11: $5 10/18: $9
Mission: 10/11: $215 10/18: $310
Ushers:
10/25: Nathan & Aly Weaver
11/1: Shawn & Natasha Dyer

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