

# St. John's Christian Church

The Church on the Corner  
whose Cornerstone is Christ



## St. John's Christian Church ~ May 10, 2020 Fourth Sunday after Easter Order of Worship

### Welcome

### Scripture and Prayer – Colossians 3:15-16(NIV)

“Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful. 16 Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom, and as you sing psalms, hymns and spiritual songs with gratitude in your hearts to God.”

Opening Songs    #108, “Come Christians, Join to Sing” (PP & FB)  
                            Lord, Reign In Me” (PP)  
                            231, “Jesus Shall Reign” (FB)  
                            #382, “Be Thou My Vision” (PP & FB)

Children’s Faith Object Lesson

“A Heart Full of Love”

Special Music

“Count Your Blessings”

### Prayer and the Lord’s Prayer

*Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.*

### Scripture Reading 1 Corinthians 13:4-7 (NIV)

*“Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. 5 It is not rude, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. 6 Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. 7 It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres.”*

### Sermon

“Maintaining a Christian Home”

### Prayer and Benediction

### Prayer Concern

- Ralph Grieser, beginning chemo treatment
- Larry Kinsman had heart valve replacement surgery on Wednesday.
- Susie Spiess continues recovering at Rupp Rehab.
- Dale VonDeylen continues through his chemo treatments.
- Sandy Miller continues through her chemo treatments

Preaching – Pastor Erich Christman

Accompanist – Lynne Christman

Song Leaders – Andrew Rohrs, Joel Foote, Lindsay Bialorucki

Video Tech – Jocelyn Walker

## **Discovery Guide Devotions**

May 11 – Are We Nearly There Yet?  
May 12 – The Heavenly Vision  
May 13 – You've Got Mail  
May 14 – Take Back the Throne  
May 15 – Hold On!  
May 16 – This is Your Wake-Up Call  
May 17 – The Enemy Within

Daniel 9:20-27  
Revelation 1  
Revelation 2:1-11  
Revelation 2:12-17  
Revelation 2:18-29  
Revelation 3:1-13  
Psalm 53

## **Pastoral Prayer – Sunday, May 10**

*O Lord, across the country we see unemployment soaring.*

*1. Some are parents who are forced home as schools are closed and they now need to educate their school-age children. And on top of the challenge of switching jobs to be full-time educators, they have the burden of providing for kids with reduced or eliminated incomes.*

*2. Some are patients who depended not only on their salaries, but also on their work-supplied health insurance. Now they're not sure how they'll pay their medical bills. Some might even be considering foregoing needed medicines and treatments.*

*3. Some have professions that disqualify them from unemployment benefits (such as small business owners, or contractors (such as some hair stylists)), and so the financial strain is multiplied without government assistance.*

*As money grows tight, we feel the grip of fear and worry, threatening to take hold of our minds and hearts. Grant us, O Lord, the peace that passes understanding; the peace which rests not in our savings or salaries or stimulus checks, not in our investments or insurance or unemployment benefits, but which rests completely in your sovereign care for us.*

*Jesus invites us to consider the sparrows, who don't plant or harvest or store food in barns, yet they still have enough, because God himself provides for them. Jesus invites us to consider the wildflowers, who don't spin or sew or buy clothes, but yet are beautifully dressed, because God himself clothes them. Jesus invites us to consider how much more than sparrows and wildflowers our God loves us, and will surely provide for us what we need to eat and drink and wear. And this frees us to seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness.*

*O Lord, we pray: as you free us of the worry of self-provision, fill our hearts and minds with the work of the kingdom. Grant that we might be free to be generous, sharing what we have rather than hoarding. Grant that through our peace, the world might be attracted to you, and the firm foundation you provide for our lives. We trust you, and your provision, O Lord. We will wait for you. And as we wait, we will persevere in the work to which you have called us: peace, love, and generosity. In Jesus' name, amen.*

Please Pray for:

- **Nursing Home Employees and Residents:** Gary & Sandy Frazier have asked for prayers for Heather's mother-in-law, Elaine Greenlee, who lives in a nursing home and has been diagnosed with COVID-19.
- **CCNO Employees and Inmates:** Especially now that COVID-19 has surfaced at the jail (employees include Kim Hines and Mike DeVries (Bob and Carol's son))
- **Medical Personnel and Patients:** Tiffany Johnston (Jon and Deb Rupp's daughter)

## **Song Lyrics**

### **Come Christians, Join to Sing**

#### **Verse 1**

Come Christians join to sing  
Alleluia amen  
Loud praise to Christ our King  
Alleluia amen  
Let all with heart and voice  
Before His throne rejoice  
Praise is His gracious choice  
Alleluia amen

### **Verse 2**

Come lift your hearts on high  
Alleluia amen  
Let praises fill the sky  
Alleluia amen

He is our Guide and Friend  
To us He'll condescend  
His love shall never end  
Alleluia amen

### **Verse 3**

Praise yet our Christ again  
Alleluia amen  
Life shall not end the strain  
Alleluia amen  
On heaven's blissful shore  
His goodness we'll adore  
Singing forevermore  
Alleluia amen

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## Lord, Reign in Me

### **Verse 1**

Over all the earth You reign on high  
Every mountain stream every sunset sky  
But my one request Lord my only aim  
Is that You'd reign in me again

### **Chorus**

Lord reign in me reign in Your pow'r  
Over all my dreams in my darkest hour  
You are the Lord of all I am  
So won't You reign in me again

### **Verse 2**

Over every thought over every word  
May my life reflect the beauty of my Lord  
'Cause You mean more to me

Than any earthly thing

So won't You reign in me again

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## Jesus Shall Reign

### **Verse 1**

Jesus shall reign wherever the sun  
Does its successive journeys run  
His kingdom spread from shore to shore  
'Til moons shall wax and wane no more

### **Chorus**

Jesus shall reign Jesus shall reign  
Open your hearts and welcome Him in  
And Jesus shall reign  
Jesus shall reign Jesus shall reign  
Open your hearts and welcome Him in  
And Jesus shall reign

### **Verse 2**

Blessings abound wherever He reigns  
The prisoner leaps to loose his chains  
The weary come home and find their rest  
And all the sons of want are blessed

### **Verse 3**

People and realms from ev'ry tongue  
Dwell on His love with sweetest song  
Voices of children shall proclaim  
Their early blessings on His name

### **Verse 4**

Let ev'ry creature rise and bring  
Honor and praises to our King  
Angels descend with songs again  
And earth repeats a loud amen

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## **Be Thou My Vision**

### **Verse 1**

Be Thou my Vision O Lord of my heart  
Naught be all else to me save that Thou art  
Thou my best thought by day or by night  
Waking or sleeping Thy presence my light

### **Verse 2**

Be Thou my Wisdom and Thou my true Word  
I ever with Thee and Thou with me Lord  
Thou my great Father I Thy true son  
Thou in me dwelling and I with Thee one

### **Verse 3**

High King of heaven my victory won  
May I reach heaven's joys bright heaven's Sun  
Heart of my own heart whatever befall  
Still be my Vision O Ruler of all

### **Ending**

Be Thou my Vision  
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