



# The Worship of God

September 19, 2021

Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

St. John United Church of Christ - Bellevue KY

## Gathering Music

The St. John Handbell Choir

“Simple Gifts” -arr. Patricia Sanders Cota

## Greeting & Imparting Peace

Keith M. Haithcock, pastor & teacher

One: May the peace of the Holy Spirit be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

## Solo

Steve Milloy, voice & piano

“You’re Worthy of My Praise (with O Worship the King)” -David Ruis, arr. Lloyd Larson

## Mission and Vision

Lonnie Fields

One: In service to Christ, this intentionally inclusive congregation feeds the body, mind, and spirit, gives strength, and shines God's light wherever there is darkness.

All: **We are a beacon of hope and inspiration.**

**This ministry is open, affirming, inviting, and accessible to all.**

**We extend love and extravagant welcome to all of God’s children without judgment, no matter who they are or where they are on life’s journey.**

**We embolden everyone to live out their faith, to engage in ministry, to witness, and to serve.**

## Community Prayer

Keith M. Haithcock

## Instrumental

Steve Milloy, piano

“Prelude on “Garden”” -C. Austin Miles, arr. Robert W. Thygerson

## **Luke 10:38-42** (Rise in body or spirit.)

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<sup>38</sup> Now as they went on their way, he entered a certain village, where a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. <sup>39</sup> She had a sister named Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to what he was saying. <sup>40</sup> But Martha was distracted by her many tasks; so she came to him and asked, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her then to help me." <sup>41</sup> But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things; <sup>42</sup> there is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her."

## **Mark 14:32-35**

<sup>32</sup> They went to a place called Gethsemane; and he said to his disciples, "Sit here while I pray." <sup>33</sup> He took with him Peter and James and John, and began to be distressed and agitated. <sup>34</sup> And he said to them, "I am deeply grieved, even to death; remain here, and keep awake." <sup>35</sup> And going a little farther, he threw himself on the ground and prayed that, if it were possible, the hour might pass from him.

One: Here ends the reading inspired by God.

May God grant to us wisdom and courage for interpretation.

**All: Thanks be to God!**

## **Sermon**

"VOCATION"

Keith M. Haithcock

## **Ministry of Music**

Steve Milloy, voice & piano

"We're a Fellowship of Believers" -*Jay Althouse*

## **Generous Giving**

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As we leave today please keep your masks on and greet one another after you exit the Church house while observing distancing. You will find an offering plate in the back and in the front as you exit the Church house.

God has given each of us skills, talents, and abilities. Just think of the impact we can make through the ministry of St. John Church when our giving matches our mission.

Not only do we sustain this ministry, but we also experience change in ourselves and our community as we seek for the common good. We give thanks for each moment of time, each talent expressed, and each offering given. May God continue to bless you as you give generously.

**Send Out**

Keith M. Haithcock

**Going Forth Music**

Theo Baldwin & Steve Phillips, piano duet

“To God Be the Glory” -*William H. Doane, arr. Mark Hayes*

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## **Welcome to St. John Church!**

For more information about St. John Church go to: [www.StJohnChurch.net](http://www.StJohnChurch.net).

To receive *The e-Weekly* let us know at [Office@StJohnChurch.net](mailto:Office@StJohnChurch.net).

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## **Contact Tracing Information**

In an effort to keep everyone healthy, contact the Church office at 859.261.2066 ext. 201 or [Office@StJohnChurch.net](mailto:Office@StJohnChurch.net) if you are diagnosed with COVID after this service.

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