

# St John Church of Christ

July 18, 2021

Worship  
Service

Premiers  
Sunday at 11:00

## Reflections

## Welcome to Worship!

We're glad you're here. Bible classes begin at 10:00. For kids, Pete & Penelope, our children's puppet program, is followed by songs and classes.

How much do you know about the Holy Spirit? For most people, the Spirit seems mysterious and, perhaps, a little frightening, but this is the Age of the Spirit! Join us for Bible Class at 10:00 and learn to appreciate the Spirit of God. Worship follows at 11:00.

If you are unable to be with us in person, our worship is shared through our website:

[www.StJohnChurchOfChrist.org](http://www.StJohnChurchOfChrist.org)

Simply select "Sermons" from the menubar at the top, or click this link to visit our page on YouTube:

[St. John Church of Christ](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCv8v8v8v8v8v8v8v8v8v8v8)



Now we see but a poor reflection as in a mirror; then we shall see face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I am fully known.

- Paul, 1 Corinthians 13:12

It must have been one of her prized possessions. She carried it with her into the desert as she fled. It was a mirror. Not a fine modern glass and silver mirror, but a mirror of polished metal. It was the finest of its kind two thousand years ago. It was set in a painted wooden case and tucked deep in a goat skin bag. Perhaps, each night when they stopped, she would carefully take it out and comb her hair. By the light of the fire she saw the lines of her face

grow deeper, caked with dust. The journey was hard and by the time they reached the cave in the Judean wilderness, she could hardly recognize the person staring back at her.

Once she had seen a girl - young, spry, winsome. The lass had become a lady and the mirror had confirmed the compliments of her suitors. Now that same mirror echoed her despair. The revolution was over. The Romans would relentlessly hunt them down. She could hardly bear to look into that mirror again and see what she had become. Finally, one day, she put it in its case and hid it in the floor of her cave home.

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I stepped back from the display in the Jewish museum saddened by my own overactive imagination. The ancient mirror, recovered by archaeologists, now sits in a display case in a museum in Jerusalem. The owner has long since passed away but mirrors still tell us stories.

On earth we may not be able to see Jesus today, but upon reflection, like gazing into a looking glass, we can see how he is changing us. I hope you like what you see!



# Ladies' Day Tea

July 31<sup>st</sup>

9:30 A.M. – 1:00 P.M.

(Come at 9:00 for tea/coffee/visiting)

831 W. Taylor, Lyons, Kansas

The ladies of the Lyons church of Christ invite you and your friends to join us Saturday, July 31<sup>st</sup> for a day of fellowship. The speaker will be Stacy Stambaugh. Stacy lives in Omaha, Nebraska where she serves as the curriculum specialist for the English Department at one of the largest high schools in the state. She will be encouraging us to set down our broken cups and to drink from the good cup. Please join us!

*"Let us consider how we may spur one another toward love and good deeds not giving up meeting together..."*

*Hebrews 10:24 - 25*

Please RSVP to [juporter@usd444.com](mailto:juporter@usd444.com) by Sunday, July 25<sup>th</sup>.

## Colorful Kansas

