

The Visitor

prayer concerns

Please Pray For:

- Nancy Storrer will be having knee replacement surgery on March 9th and will be in rehab for a few months. She is looking for a temporary home for her two cats – well house broken – anyone who could help care for them would be a blessing – please contact the church office. Thanks!
- Mondesi Walters, who is ministering in Mexico March 1-8, working alongside Back2Back Ministries in the Cancun area – community work projects, building relationships with families and serving in local orphanages.
- Jeremy Neuenschwander, who is at FCHC recovering from surgery on February 24th.
- Sharon VonDeylen, who was taken to Parkview Hospital in Fort Wayne due to sickness, where she will be treated and monitored.
- Jon Rupp, who is recovering from knee replacement surgery.
- Jan Martinez as she recovers from breaking a small bone in her foot.
- Mike Henry, who is in Cleveland Clinic's Liver Transplant Unit recovering from surgery.
- Bob and Connie Bostelman, as Bob undergoes treatment for stage IV colon cancer.
- Bea Briggs, who continues to recover from cancer.
- Kreighton Sims, whose father, Greg Sims, continues to go through cancer treatments.
- Roger Roth, who is undergoing treatments for stage IV renal cancer.
- Roger and Kay Merrill's granddaughter, Chloe Merrillat, whose who continues with chemo treatments.
- Dale VonDeylen continues to have positive steps of healing over the infection in his knee.
- Annie & Joel Foote, as Annie continues with target chemo treatments.
- Please continue to remember all our brothers and sisters in the armed forces, praying for their safety. Serving from our church are:

Kyle Ducey (Navy)

10175 Park Meadows Dr., #5-326
Lone Tree, CO 80124

Cpt. Jared R. Kuntz (Army)

Wife, Maria & children, Silvette & Elias:
3857 B Moss Circle, Fort Sill, OK 73503

Dennis LaPorte (Air Force)

Wife, Wren & daughters, Jillian & Lorelei
107 Nebraska St., Travis AFB, CA 94535-1235

Lesniak, Jacob LCpl (Marines)

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Twentynine Palms, CA 92277

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Family and Friends

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Martinez, Braden (Army Reserves) now home
Wife, Brittany & daughters Madison & Claire
610 E. South St, Bryan, OH 43506

Steven Schink (Coast Guard)
Wife, Ashley & son Brennan
150 Dewey Avenue, Groton, CT 06340

Koltin Zimmerman (Army)
Fort Lee, Virginia

Please consider sending these people cards letting them know that we continue to lift them up to God in prayer, that He will guide, comfort and sustain them through these times.

Home Bound/Care Facility Residents:

Cards, phone calls and visits to our home bound would be a wonderful blessing:

Fairlawn Haven, 407 E. Lutz Rd., Archbold, 43502

Florence Augustine, Room #120

Mary Jo Britt, Fairlawn Haven, Room #157

Valeria Hornish, Room #174A

Eileen Meller, Room #133

Esther Rice, Room #116

Cathy Spiess, #153

Sadonna Spiess, Special Care Unit Room #405B

Fairlawn Asst. Living, 500 Haven Dr., Archbold, 43502

Lois Heer, Room #238

Jane Short, Room #208

Pauline Short, Room #205

Fulton Manor, 723 S. Shoop Ave., Wauseon, 43567

Robert Kuntz, Room #225-2

Myrl & Pauline Zimmerman, Room #505

Northcrest, 240 Northcrest Dr., Napoleon, 43545

Irene Short, Room #100

congregational thank you's

Thank you for the Christmas care package. I know my students will enjoy many of the items that were included in the package. Also, thank you for the encouragement notes and letters. I appreciate all of the support and prayers from my church family.

Thanks!

Mackenzie Nofziger



St. John's Church Family,

I would like to express my thanks to everyone for the prayers, cards and concerns during my most recent surgery. Special thanks to Pastor Erich for his visits and prayers. It's nice to have such a caring church family.

Blessings!

In Christ's Love, Thelma Bartley

pastor's letter

Thoughts from Pastor Erich . . .

At the end of January, I attended a worship symposium at Calvin College in Grand Rapids, Michigan. Two full days of worship services, workshops, presentations and conversations with pastors, worship leaders and students. One of the sessions I attended dealt with avoiding fatigue when it comes to preaching. The presenter shared a story of a pastor posting on her Facebook page: "Vacation! I'm out of here for a month, no sermons to prepare! Yippee!" A month later, upon her return, the church leaders, having seen her post, told her she didn't have to prepare any more sermons – since preaching was such a dread for her, they had already started looking for a new preacher! That little story brought a laugh from the assembled pastors, but it also underscored why there were 45 pastors in the session! Preachers eager to remain focused, energetic and relevant in their preaching. The workshop reinforced several learnings I experienced through the time of sabbatical.

Our Lenten sermon series focused on the movie "God's Not Dead" has been a real source of joy for me – the exact opposite of any aspect of fatigue. Last Saturday, I spent several extra hours listening to the movie, dissecting the scriptures, and considering the 7 Pillars shared in the study guide produced for the sermon series. Yes, it's just another modern day movie, a story presented on the big screen for entertainment, it is that, but it can be much more. And I hope it is for each of us during Lent this year. The movie's role of the college student illustrates the need for each of us to be strong in our faith, to stand up against false teachings, to defend what we believe – Jesus gave his life in such defense. How can we give any less?

Matthew 16:18 reminds us that Jesus built the church on Peter, the rock: "And I tell you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not overcome it." Overcoming his time of denial after Jesus was arrested, Peter was empowered by the Spirit of God and he boldly began to preach and teach in the first century world. Through centuries of persecution and human sinfulness, the church has continued to proclaim the gospel message, sharing the good news of Jesus Christ. Surely, God's not dead, God is alive! I encourage you to make the most of Lent this year: Sunday morning services, Wednesday evening lessons, Sunday morning Adult Forum classes – specific ways to interact with the theme of the movie, opening our hearts and minds to the leading of the Lord.

ERICH

preschool corner

...And the winter weather continues....BUT in our preschool room, we WENT TO THE BEACH in the middle of February!!! What a great time everyone had, dancing to 'island music', grabbing sunglasses, beach towels, cameras and sand buckets, and heading 'to the beach'! They could relax on a raft, sit in a pool (and practice cutting!), fish in the sensory table (with magnetic poles and fish), pretend to swim with their friends, check out various shells at the science table, learn about different types of ocean animals and even make sharks, starfish, jellyfish and snails at the art table.

During the first two weeks of the month, we talked about friends and other people we love, then we celebrated Valentine's Day with parties and cards for our friends. Our Bible verse this past month was, "Love one another." John 13:34.

The last week of the month we started our "Animals" unit with the theme, "Pets." We had visits from furry friends, large and small. We talked about how to care for pets, and how we must ask permission from the pet and the owner if we want to pet an animal we don't know.



congregational thank you's

cont.

“The prayers of many will be heard by God.” I found this to be very true after my fall last December when I broke my right hip. From the beginning the Lord was hearing the prayers of many. My recovery and progress has been faster than the schedule. The pain was low and progress amazing. I believe it is because of the prayers sent to God for my healing and care. My heart is full of joy to know so many cared. A Thank You seems so small compared to the blessing I have received. I want to thank all of those who prayed and sent cards. They kept my spirits high.

Carol DeVries



Our hearts are full of gratitude for each and every one that has met our need on our journey. We are so “blessed.” Your prayers and cards of encouragement are heard and read and often re-read. I have a vision to the word Bob was given at the beginning of this journey: Focus on Jesus. When too dark to see – I close my eyes and see Jesus walking with his staff ahead of Bob and I. Walking the narrow path up and around the mountain, leading us home. We must keep our focus on Jesus – straight ahead. It gets dark, narrow and sometimes he carries us over the empty crevices. He is faithful; his Word, tried and true. He’s placed people where and when needed. Blessings – you are the hands and feet of compassion. We are grateful in receiving.

Bob & Connie Bostleman

mission corner

Thank You Notes From Mission Partners & Friends:

- ABWE (Judd & Becky), for our gift of \$570.
- Altlink (Tom & Megan), for our gift of \$60.
- Back Bay Mission, for our gift of \$345.
- Cherry Street Mission, for our gift of \$285.
- Church World Service, for our gift of \$1,490.
- Crossroad, for our gift of \$105.
- Defiance YFC (The Outback), for our gift of \$40.
- Toledo Gospel Rescue Mission, for our gift of \$75.



Blessed New Year!

January, 2015

As you might know, last year we faced another huge transition. After almost 7 years in Africa, we moved to Southern Brazil. We are excited about this new location and ministry opportunity, also with World Team, where we’ll be able to actively participate in

outreach and church planting as well as continue to be involved in leadership training and mentoring. This also permits us to assist Leila’s aging parents.

We were recently on Home Assignment in the US, during which time we were able to come to St. John’s and share with you during your February 1st worship services. We also visited many other supporters in Ohio, Indiana, Maryland, North Carolina and Florida. How blessed we are to have such an amazing group of supporters. We praise God for people like you who desire to see the Gospel go throughout the world, which is shown by your faithful partnership with us. **Thank you very much!**

Please pray that we will be bold and clear in sharing the Gospel and graceful in defending it. Pray also that we will continue to grow in the grace and knowledge of our Savior. We’ll pray the same for you!

Blessings, Tony & Leila Frank, World Team



March Mission-A-Month – Friendship House:

The Friendship House is an Archbold area ministry supported by area churches and coordinated by Cecily Rohrs. This two story home, located near downtown Archbold, is set up to house one or two family units at a time. The home provides shelter for individuals and families until they are able to become self-sufficient. The home is almost always occupied and has been a tremendous help to numerous residents. The Friendship House is endorsed by the Archbold Area Ministerial Association and is coordinated by a volunteer board.

The main need of the Friendship House at this point is further financial support for operating expenses. This month we ask that you prayerfully consider supporting this community ministry that strives to care for those in need of a place to stay and have a fresh start in life.

2015 Mission Events:

- Toledo Gospel Rescue Mission –
Chapel and Meal - Sunday, March 15
- Detroit Navigators Weekend Work Project –
Friday & Saturday, April 24 & 25
- Toledo Gospel Rescue Mission –
Chapel and Meal - Sunday, May 17
- Summer Mission Trip – June 7 thru 12
- Youth Mission Trip – June 4 thru 19
- Toledo Gospel Rescue Mission –
Chapel and Meal - Sunday, September 13
- Back Bay Mission Trip – October 10 thru 17
- Toledo Gospel Rescue Mission –
Chapel and Meal - Sunday, November 15

mission corner cont.

TGRM Chapel & Meal Sunday, March 15th:

Please contact Ann Grime at 419-445-2703 if you would be interested in participating in this local mission trip opportunity. The group will depart at 3PM from the church on March 15th and return around 8PM.

Detroit – Navigators Service Experience:

Matt & Bev Hale continue to engage in community ministry through the ministry of the Navigators. They are constantly building relationships with neighbors, welcoming new people into the neighborhood, and opening up their home and family for meals, bible studies and more. They have asked if we could send some volunteers to help with their neighborhood rehab projects, so we are looking for volunteers for Friday and/or Saturday, April 24 & 25th. We'll meet in the parking lot at 7AM Friday, for the 2 hour drive to the neighborhood. A group can also leave from the parking lot at 7AM on Saturday and join the fun! Meals and lodging will be provided. We are awaiting word on what the projects might be!

Missionary News and Contact Information:

Shobha & Ravi Arole, CRHP

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Kyle Chase, Great Commission Ministries

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Matt Pardi, Great Commission Ministries

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e-mail - matt.pardi@gcmweb.org



Tony & Leila Frank, Sapiranga, Brazil

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Larry & Linda Rupp, Kajiado Children's Home

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Brian & Jamie Rauschenberger, Haiti

New Life International

web site - www.WaterForTheWorld.com

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e-mail - Jamie@WaterForTheWorld.com

Keith & Cheryl Wyse - The Agape Family Life House

web site - www.agapeflh.org

e-mail - k.wyse@agapeflh.org

Jon & Rachel Doriot - Pioneers, Papua

web site - www.pioneers.org

e-mail - kalepa@linkmail.org

Mackenzie Nofziger - Bangkok, Thailand

Teaching @ Bangkok International Christian School

e-mail - mmnofziger@gmail.com

ministry happenings

Christian Education

LOGOS - Wednesday Evening Youth Program:

Our LOGOS program on Wednesday evenings is for youth preschool ages through senior high. Themes for the month of March are: March 4 - Bingo Night, March 11 - Blast from the Past Night, March 18 - Go Green for Spring Night, and March 25 - Easter Night. Wednesday evening activities begin with a meal in the parish hall at 6PM.

Junior Youth Fellowship (JYF) Movie Night:

On Sunday, March 8th the JYF will host a family movie night in the parish hall. A pizza supper will be served (free will offering) at 5:30PM with the movie "Heaven is for Real" to start shortly after. New this year, the JYF will also be showing a Veggie Tales matinee feature for younger children at 4PM in the parish hall.

Senior Youth Fellowship (SYF):

On March 4th we are going to welcome a guest speaker to discuss the topic of human trafficking. This is a rescheduling from a snow cancellation in February. Then for the rest of March we'll be in a series based on the Lord of the Rings movies. March 11th will be "The Fellowship of the Ring," which will focus on taking adventures in life. March 18th – "The Two Towers," looking at the two natures that pull us in different directions. March 25th – "The Return of the King," will feature a look at the resurrection of Jesus and what that means for us. We will NOT have SYF on April 1st during Archbold's spring break. SYF will be hosting the Easter morning pancake breakfast on April 5th.

Senior Youth Fellowship (SYF) Mission Trip:

The SYF Mission Trip is scheduled for the week of June 14th-19th. The 2015 mission trip will be to Nashville, TN with Group's Week of Hope. We have partnered with Group Week of Hope for four other trips (2010 – Indianapolis; 2011 – Bay City; 2013 – Cincinnati; 2014 - Kenosha). Mission trip applications are available.

Senior Youth Fellowship (SYF) Explore:

All youth are invited to join this small group that meets Tuesday afternoons from 3:15 - 4:15PM in the Youth Room.

Life Planning:

The next Life Planning time will be on March 11th at 7PM. Mentors and youth will have opportunity to discuss what Lent means to them, and they will also get into some scripture about our need for Jesus.

Events / Activities

Men's Breakfast:

On the 1st and 3rd Wednesday mornings of the month, several men from St. John's join together at the Home Restaurant from 6:15-7:15AM. We spend time in fellowship and then read and discuss some scripture together. In March we'll continue studying John's Gospel. This is open to all men in the church.

Man Camp:

Steaks, bacon, hatchets, and fire. Need we say more? Be on the lookout for this great weekend coming in March 20-22. The cost for this weekend at Miracle Camp is \$119 for lodging and meals. Check with Bruce Wooley if you have questions or visit www.miraclecamp.com/mancamp.

Senior Citizens:

The Fulton County Senior Center's mission is to enhance the quality of life for seniors by encouraging their continued involvement in the community by providing opportunities for nutrition, socialization, education, recreation and information that promotes wellness and supports independence.

The Archbold location is open Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 9:00AM to 2:00PM at the Ruhlley Park Scout Cabin. Seniors gather for games and conversation from 9 to 11. A program is usually offered at 11AM. Lunch is served at noon. Monday mornings feature a Bible study at 10:30AM led by local pastors.

Brochures of all of the programs of the Senior Center are located on the welcome table outside the chapel. Further information is available by calling 419-337-9299.

Mental Health Awareness:

Mental health may be seen as a continuum ranging from having good mental health to having mental disorders. A person may vary along this continuum at different points in his or her life. A person with good mental health will feel in control of their emotions, will have good cognitive functioning, and will have positive interactions with people around him

or her. This state allows a person to perform well at work, in their studies, and in family and other social relationships.

A mental disorder or mental illness is a diagnosable illness that affects a person's thinking, emotional state, and behavior and disrupts the person's ability to work or carry out other daily activities and engage in satisfying personal relationships. Mental illnesses include depression, schizophrenia, bipolar disorder, obsessive-compulsive disorder, post traumatic stress disorder, anxiety, and others.

Approximately 1 in 4 adults experiences a mental health disorder in a given year. About 1 in 10 children lives with a serious mental or emotional disorder.

The local ADAMhs Board and the local chapter of NAMI provide resources and education for understanding and seeking help with mental illness. The ADAMhs Board is the four county board of Alcohol Drug Addiction and Mental Health Services, which is located at T-761 State Route 66, across the road from Four County Career Center. Their phone number is 419-267-3355.

NAMI stands for the National Alliance on Mental Illness and there is a four county chapter of NAMI, with information available at www.namifourcounty.org.

Further information is available on the welcome table outside the chapel, or you may contact Pastor Erich who has recently attended education events hosted by the ADAMhs Board and NAMI.

small groups

Small Groups Currently Meeting at St. John's:

2nd & 4th Sunday Evenings - Seekers Small Group

6:00 - 8:00PM - Keith & Kelli Kuntz's,
733 W. Leggett St., Wauseon

2nd & 4th Monday Evenings - Couples Small Group

6:30 - 8:30PM - Youth Room

Monday Evenings - Sister Chicks INC (Begins Jan. 19)

7:00 - 8:30PM - Nancy Rupp's, St. Rt. 2, Stryker

Tuesday Morning Bible Study

9:15 - 10:15AM - Fireside Room

Tuesday Afternoons - SYF Explore (Begins Jan. 6)

3:15 - 4:15PM - Youth Room

1st & 3rd Wed. of Month - Men's Ministry Breakfast

6:15 - 7:15AM - The Home Restaurant, Archbold

Wednesday Mornings - Mom's In Prayer

8:30 - 9:30AM - Upstairs SS Classroom

2nd & 4th Wednesday of Month - Bible Study

9:00 - 10:00AM - West Haven, Fairlawn

March 2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 5:15PM Walleye Hockey 7:00PM Sundae at Sara's (SYF HS Girls)	2 11:15AM Staff Meeting 4:30PM U9 Soccer Team Practice 6:30PM Preschool Dad's Night—MWF AM 7:00PM Sister Chicks INC	3 9:15AM Bible Study 3:15PM SYF Explore 5:00PM Community Meal 6:30PM Preschool Dad's Night—MWF AM	4 6:15AM Men's Breakfast 8:30AM Moms In Prayer 5:50PM LOGOS 6:30PM JYF 6:45PM Bells & Chimes 7:00PM Lenten Eve. Service 7:00PM SYF 8:00PM Chancel Choir Reh.	5 4:30PM U9 Soccer Team Practice 7:00PM Mission Committee	6	7 8:00AM Cub Scouts Pinewood Derby Daylight Savings Time Tomorrow (clocks ahead 1 hr)
8 Daylight Savings Time Begins 4:00PM JYF Hosting Matinee Veggie Tales Movie 5:30PM JYF Hosting Pizza 5:45PM JYF Hosting Feature Movie "Heaven is for Real" 6:00PM Seekers	9 11:15AM Staff Meeting 4:30PM U9 Soccer Team Practice 6:30PM Couples Small Group 7:00PM Sister Chicks INC	10 9:15AM Bible Study 3:15PM SYF Explore 5:00PM Community Meal 6:00PM Cub Scouts Den Meetings 7:00PM Evangelism Comm. 7:00PM Property Comm.	11 8:30AM Moms In Prayer 9:00AM W. Haven Bible St. 5:50PM LOGOS 6:30PM JYF 6:45PM Bells & Chimes 7:00PM Lenten Eve. Service 7:00PM Life Pl. / SYF Remix 8:00PM Chancel Choir Reh.	12 4:15PM U9 Soccer Team Practice 6:00PM Scouts District Meeting	13	14 8:00AM Cub Scouts Pinewood Derby
15 10:30AM Bells & Chimes Play 10:50AM Junior Church 3:00PM Leave for TGRM Chapel & Meal	16 11:15AM Staff Meeting 4:30PM U9 Soccer Team Practice 6:15PM Spiritual Council 7:00PM Sister Chicks INC 7:30PM Consistory	17 9:15AM Bible Study 3:15PM SYF Explore 4:30PM CE Team 5:00PM Community Meal	18 6:15AM Men's Breakfast 8:30AM Moms In Prayer 5:50PM LOGOS 6:30PM JYF 6:45PM Junior Choir 7:00PM Lenten Eve. Service 7:00PM SYF 8:00PM Chancel Choir Reh.	19 4:30PM U9 Soccer Team Practice	20 — 21 Man Camp — Miracle Camp 3:30PM Joan Grieser Recital Practice	
22 Man Camp — Miracle Camp 3:00PM Joan Grieser Piano Recital 6:00PM Seekers	23 11:15AM Staff Meeting 4:30PM U9 Soccer Team Practice 6:30PM Couples Small Group 7:00PM Sister Chicks INC	24 9:15AM Bible Study 3:15PM SYF Explore 5:00PM Community Meal	25 8:30AM Moms In Prayer 9:00AM W. Haven Bible St. 5:50PM LOGOS 6:30PM JYF 6:45PM Junior Choir 7:00PM Lenten Eve. Service 7:00PM SYF 8:00PM Chancel Choir Reh.	26 4:30PM U9 Soccer Team Practice	27	28 10:00AM Private Party (Parish Hall/Kitchen)
29 Palm Sunday	30 11:15AM Staff Meeting 4:30PM U9 Soccer Pract. 7:00PM Sister Chicks INC	31 9:15AM Bible Study 3:15PM SYF Explore 5:00PM Community Meal	8:00AM Worship 9:15AM SS/FV/Conf 10:30AM Worship	Elder of the Month— Jim Redd M-A-M—Friendship House		

MARCH BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

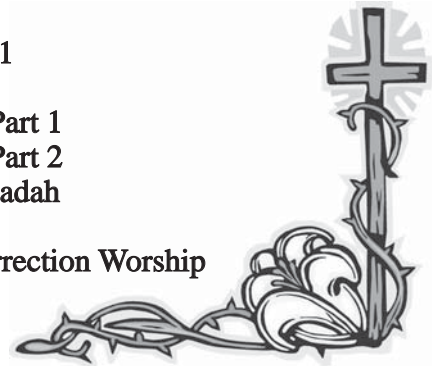
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| 1 Braden & Brittany Martinez, Camden Warncke | 17 Raegan Rutledge |
| 2 Cameron Yoder | 18 Molly Rutledge |
| 3 Cindy Sauder, Rosemarie Schmidt, Cody Westfall | 19 Ben & Sue Buehrer, Jeremy & Sarah Kinsman |
| 4 Mary Jo Britt | 21 Jenna Storrer |
| 5 Roger & Kay Merillat, Brent & Lynda Schnitkey | 22 Sandy Frazier, Jenell Cobb |
| 6 Keith & Nici Wyse | 23 Sue Grieser, Brent Winzeler |
| 7 Jeff Nofziger, Aimee Roth | 26 Bo Krukowski, Jacob Nofziger, Esther Rice |
| 8 Brad Enderle, Meridith Short | 27 Jon Rupp |
| 10 Ann Grime, Richard Neill | 28 Jamie Beck, John Beck, Jodi Beltz |
| 11 Julie Buehrer, Lindsay Wyse, Coltin Short | 29 Carson Baden, Cagnee Grime, Leah Nafziger |
| 12 Dawsyn Martinez | 30 Dean & Lou Ann Beck, Dorothy Miller, Mark
Nofziger, Jeremy Neuenschwander, Jeff & Cathy
Nofziger |
| 13 Bud & Tootie Beck, Kenny Cowell, Bryson
Martinez | 31 Brayden Hall |
| 14 Jenny Lehman | |
| 16 Rachel Kinsman, Ron Rice | |

☼ Please let us know if we do not have your special day correct. Thank you.

worship

Lenten Worship – Sermon Series of the movie, “God’s Not Dead”

- 3rd Sunday of Lent – March 8th“Is Our Faith Blind?” Part 1
- 4th Sunday of Lent – March 15th“Is Our Faith Blind? Part 2
- 5th Sunday of Lent – March 22nd“Welcoming Skepticism” Part 1
- Palm Sunday – March 29th“Welcoming Skepticism” Part 2
- Maundy Thursday – April 2ndCelebrate Passover – Haggadah
- Good Friday – April 3rd.....The Passion of Our Lord
- Easter Sunday – April 5thSunrise Worship and Resurrection Worship



Holy Week Worship:

- Palm Sunday, March 29th – Palm Processional at each service
- Maundy Thursday, April 2nd – We will celebrate the Passover through a Christian presentation of the traditional Jewish festival - the seder will be served in the parish hall that evening, with communion served following the meal
- Good Friday – April 3rd - Traditional Service of Tenebrae
- Easter Sunday – April 5th - 7AM Sunrise and 10:30AM Easter Worship

consistory

Capital Campaign Financial Accounting:

The Consistory shares this information with the congregation for everyone’s understanding of how to designate their offerings in regards to the Capital Campaign, as well as sharing how donations have been accounted for since the congregation gave approval to enter into a Capital Campaign on April 13, 2014. A new fund, called the Building Fund, has been established for uses like those described in the Facility Committee Report and Proposal presented to the congregation and approved on April 13, 2014.

- As of April 14, 2014, donations designated Legacy, Capital Campaign, Building or Roof have been deposited as Legacy Fund donations to the Capital Campaign. These funds have been transferred to the Building Fund.
- As of January 11, 2015, at the Annual Meeting, with the introduction of the Building Fund to the congregation, donations designated as Legacy, Capital Campaign or Building have been deposited into the Building Fund.
- As the Capital Campaign continues, be aware of:
 - o Donations intended for the Building Fund should be designated on the offering envelope, on the check or through direction to the Administrative Assistant as to on-line donations, as “Building Fund” or “Capital Campaign”
 - o Donations marked as “Legacy” will be deposited into the Legacy Fund

St. John’s Christian Church Leadership:

- Congregation President.....Jeff Rutledge
- Congregation Vice-PresidentJim Redd
- Congregation Secretary.....Betsy Redd
- EldersAnn Grime, Kim Hines, Jan Lindsay,
Paige Miller, Jim Redd, Ed Ruffer
- Deacons/DeaconessesAmy Baden,
Jim Grieser, Tom Hines, Nate Meyer,
Brad Roth, David Stuckey, Greg Walker,
Bruce Wooley, Justin Yoder
- Church Treasurer..... Roger Miller
- Custodians.....Dean Buckenmeyer, Nick Rice
- Security Person Richard Spiess
- Christian Preschool Staff Sue MacDonald,
Joan Burkholder
- Administrative Assistant..... Sue Grieser
- Director of Music MinistryDeb Schnitkey
- Director of Christian Education Jenna Storrer
- Associate Pastor Rev. Adam Just
- Pastor.....Rev. Erich Christman

stewardship

Online Giving Details:

We have been offering an online giving option for a few years now, set up through F & M Bank and accessible through our web site (www.stjohnsarchbold.org). To set up an online giving account, all you need to do is contact the church office for an online giving number. Once you have obtained that, setting up your account through the link on our web site is quick and easy. Ever get to worship and forget your giving envelope, or your checkbook, or both? No worries with the convenience of online giving literally at your fingertips 24 hours a day.

Transactions can be handled through any banking institution's savings or checking account (no credit card transactions), and there are no other fees associated with online giving transactions. You can set up your account to transfer payments automatically (weekly, monthly, bimonthly, etc.), manually or both. We have 5 "buckets" on the online portal (current, benevolent, capital improvement, legacy and mission-a-month), but you can still direct your giving to specific funds (i.e. benevolent funds to The Aroles, Back Bay Mission, The Franks, etc., or your legacy funds to the new Building Fund) by e-mailing or calling Sue Grieser with date of your transaction and details on where you want the funds designated. For more information or if further questions, feel free to contact Sue anytime during regular office hours (8AM - 5PM weekdays).

Imagine Your Faith "Building":

As the Capital Campaign gets closer to the April 12th Kick Off Sunday, we want to keep you informed on the progress towards the \$4.5 million goal set by the Congregation. This is a FAITH campaign and we need your prayers.

As of February 23, 2015, the total blessings are \$44,643.40 towards Imagine Your Faith "Building"! Thank you to all who are praying for and supporting the Capital Campaign! If you want more information about the Capital Campaign, please contact John Beck (419-572-1186), Jim Redd (419-445-5309), or Jeff Rutledge (567-341-0048).

Offering Information:

Sunday	Worship Attend.	Current Fund Actual Offering	Current Fund Weekly Budget	Current Fund Actual/Budget Difference
2/1/15	208	\$ 4,910.00	\$ 6,553.29	\$ (1,643.29)
2/8/15	248	\$ 5,984.00	\$ 6,553.29	\$ (569.29)
2/15/15	184	\$ 4,268.00	\$ 6,553.29	\$ (2,285.29)
2/22/15	244	\$ 5,852.15	\$ 6,553.29	\$ (701.14)
Avg / Total	221	\$ 21,014.15	\$ 26,213.16	\$ (5,199.01)
As of February 23, 2015		Total Income	Total Expenses	Difference
YTD Totals		\$ 44,470.53	\$ 55,839.78	\$ (11,369.25)

Sunday	Benevolent Fund Offering	Benevolent Fund Weekly Budget	Benevolent Fund Actual/Budget
2/1/15	\$ 1,435.00	\$ 2,990.39	\$ (1,555.39)
2/8/15	\$ 2,824.00	\$ 2,990.39	\$ (166.39)
2/15/15	\$ 1,348.16	\$ 2,990.39	\$ (1,642.23)
2/22/15	\$ 3,042.00	\$ 2,990.39	\$ 51.61
Total	\$ 8,649.16	\$ 11,961.56	\$ (3,312.40)

College / Grad School / Military Prayer Calendar

Day of Month	Name	Address	City	St	Zip	School
1	Bechstein, Tyler	Fulton St. East	Grand Rapids	MI	49503	Grand Valley State Univ
2	Buckenmeyer, Alicia	1018 St. Clair Ave.	Charlottesville	VA	22901	University of Virginia
3	Buckenmeyer, Eric	15 S. Shafer St.	Athens	OH	45701	Ohio University
4	Christman, Amy	Malone University Box #975	Canton	OH	44709	Malone University
5	Christman, Ryan	418 Clara Ave.	St. Louis	MO	63112	Washington University
6	Fryman, Marli	400 Ditto St.	Archbold	OH	43502	NWSSC
7	Garza, Grace	417 N. Pointe Dr.	Archbold	OH	43502	NWSSC
8	Lehman, Jenny	Wittenberg Univ Box 3541	Springfield	OH	45501	Wittenberg University
9	Lindsay, Jennifer	Ashland University Box 1567	Ashland	OH	44805	Ashland University
10	Mann, Jeremy	1001 Bethel Circle	Bethel	IN	46545	Bethel College
11	McCandless, Morgan	91 Wick Oval	Youngstown	OH	44502	Youngstown State Univ
12	Neuenschwander, Trevor	428 North Main St.	Ada	OH	45810	Ohio Northern Univ
13	Nofziger, Charlie	1247 E. Siena Dr.	Adrian	MI	49221	Siena Heights University
14	Nofziger, Delaney	Fulton House 104	Grand Rapids	MI	49506	Acquinas College
15	Rice, Dinah	4310 Ravine Center Dr.	Allendale	MI	49401	Grand Valley State Univ
16	Schnitkey, Tyson	Marycrest Hall - Room 490	Dayton	OH	45401-8802	University of Dayton
17	Sears, Heather	58 E. Daniel St.	Champaign	IL	61820	University of Illinois
18	Short, Ashley	2065 Baker Hall East	Columbus	OH	43210	Ohio State University
19	Short, Olley	25515 County Road E	Archbold	OH	43502	Univ of NW Ohio
20	Smith, Kinsey	46 E. Green Dr.	Athens	OH	45701	Ohio University
21	Sonnenberg, Ellie	CPO 1359	Chicago	IL	60610	Moody Bible Institute
22	Walker, Collin		Toledo	OH		Univ of Toledo
23	Walker, Michael	700 College Ave.	Goshen	IN	46526	Goshen College
24	Walters, Mondesi	1001 Bethel Circle	Bethel	IN	46545	Bethel College
25	Winzeler, Bryce	4850 A Hollingbourne Dr.	Columbus	OH	43214	Law School
26	Zamudio, Mireya	202 Park St.	Archbold	OH	43502	NWSSC
27	Ducey, Kyle	10175 Park Meadows Dr.	Lone Tree	CO	80124	Navy
28	Capt. Jared Kuntz & Maria	3857B Moss Circle	Fort Sill	OK	73503	Army
29	Mr & Mrs Dennis LaPorte	107 Nebraska St.	Travis AFB	CA	94535	Air Force
30	Lesniak, Jacob LCpl	5901 Aztec Avenue	Twentynine Palms	CA	92277	Marines
30	Martinez, Braden	610 E. South St.	Brian	OH	43502	Army Reserves
31	Mr & Mrs Steven R Schink	150 Dewey Ave.	Groton	CT	06340	Coast Guard
31	Zimmerman, Koltin	Fort Lee		VA		Army

March Daily Scriptures

(From "Discovery" Daily Devotional)

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| 1 Give Thanks ----- Psalm 107:1-43 | 17 Be Holy ----- Leviticus 11:1-12, 41-45 |
| 2 Who Is This? ----- Matthew 12:15-21 | 18 A Day of Cleansing ----- Leviticus 16:1-22 |
| 3 Words, Words, Words ----- Matthew 12:22-37 | 19 Community ----- Leviticus 19:1-18 |
| 4 Upside Down ----- Matthew 12:38-50 | 20 Grace ----- Leviticus 23:1-14 |
| 5 Heal Me ----- Jeremiah 17:1-18 | 21 God's Heart For Freedom ----- Leviticus 25:8-17 |
| 6 At The Potter's House ----- Jeremiah 18:1-17 | 22 The King of Kings ----- Psalm 110:1-7 |
| 7 Go To Hell ----- Jeremiah 19:1-15 | 23 How Much Is Too Much? ----- Matthew 26:1-16 |
| 8 Play It Again, Sam ----- Psalm 101:1-13 | 24 Whose Are You? ----- Matthew 26:17-30 |
| 9 You Have Deceived Me ----- Jeremiah 20:1-18 | 25 I Won't Let You Down . . . ----- Matthew 26:36-46 |
| 10 Leadership Matters ----- Jeremiah 23:1-8 | 26 In The Garden ----- Matthew 26:47-56 |
| 11 It's A Mystery ----- Jeremiah 23:9-32 | 27 Sealed With a Kiss ----- Matthew 26:57-68 |
| 12 Whatever Is True ----- Jeremiah 26:1-24 | 28 What Do You Think? ----- Matthew 12:1-14 |
| 13 A Message Of Comfort ----- Jeremiah 29:1-14 | 29 Going To Church? ----- Psalm 111:1-10 |
| 14 Happy Endings ----- Jeremiah 30:1-24 | 30 Meltdown ----- Matthew 26:69-75 |
| 15 Please Help Me, God! ----- Psalm 109:1-31 | 31 Looking Into the Abyss ----- Matthew 27:1-10 |
| 16 Genuine Worship ----- Leviticus 1:1-17 | |

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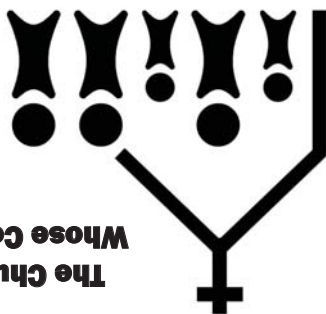
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Holy Communion:
 New Year (1/4), Ash Wednesday (2/18), Maundy Thursday (4/2),
 Pentecost (5/25), Mid-Summer (7/19), 1st Sunday in October (10/4),
 1st Sunday of Advent (11/29)

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