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**Come Hear the Reason we're Inspired to Serve Together**



*John & Kathryn Graber*

*Welcome to*



**ST. JOHN'S  
CHRISTIAN  
CHURCH**

**“The Church on  
the Corner Whose  
Cornerstone is Christ”**

*We are a community of faith founded upon God's Holy Word, preaching salvation through believing in Christ as Savior. We seek to live in God's truth, being obedient to His Word and following in His ways.*

## Welcome to our Worship of God!

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

“Revive Us Again”

Prayer of Invocation

Call to Worship

Psalm 96 (p. 592)

† Hymn – #382

“Be Thou My Vision”

† Unison Prayer of Confession: ***O God, we confess that we often turn to other visions to bring us joy rather than you, we look to other counselors for wisdom and follow our desires instead of the ways of your Word, and we heed riches and man’s praise more highly than we regard you. Forgive us, O Lord, and be first in our hearts again. Amen.***

† Words of Assurance (Psalm 37:4)

*Delight yourself in the LORD, and he will give you the desires of your heart.*

† Greeting One Another with Peace of Christ

† Junior Choir

“I Sing the Mighty Power of God”

Children’s Message

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord’s Prayer (debt/debtors)

Scripture Reading

Philippians 2:1-18 (p. 1162)

Sermon

“Consider Others Better Than Yourselves”

Sharing Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

“O Master Let Me Walk With Thee/Where He Leads Me”

† Doxology (#625) and Unison Prayer of Dedication: ***Lord, use our gifts to further your kingdom in this world, bringing glory to your Holy Name, and blessings to all peoples everywhere: May the lost hear the Good News and believe; may orphans and widows be cared for in the family of believers; may those in physical, material, emotional, and relational need experience provision, and relief, and the love of God and his whole family. Amen.***

† Closing Hymn – #389

“More About Jesus”

† Benediction

† Transition to Congregational Meeting



## Welcome . . .

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### **Guests and Visitors**

Welcome to our worship of God! We hope you will find our service to be an uplifting and faithful time of worship and that you will worship with us again. Learn more about us by visiting our Welcome Table at the south end of our building or our website at [www.stjohnsarchbold.org](http://www.stjohnsarchbold.org).

### **Membership Orientation**

St. John's Christian Church offers periodic orientation sessions to inform people about beliefs, ministries and the history of this local congregation. Orientation includes three group sessions and one home visit by one of the pastors. Please let Pastor Erich or Pastor Alex know if you would be interested in attending future sessions offered.

### **St. John's Christian Preschool**

A learning, Christian ministry geared for children 3-5 years of age. Four sessions offered: Tues/Thurs morning and afternoon, and Mon/Wed/Fri morning and afternoon; and run from September thru May. More information can be found on our web site ([www.stjohnsarchbold.org](http://www.stjohnsarchbold.org)). Online registration is now available.

### **Mother's Room / Diaper Changing Station / Nursery Care**

We have a Mother's Room located near our sanctuary – just ask an usher for its location. A diaper changing station is in our nursery room just down the hallway from our sanctuary. Nursery Care is offered during our 10:30 worship service for infants and pre-kindergarten children.

**Children's and Large Print Bulletins** are available on a table in the sanctuary narthex.

**Hearing Assistance** is provided through our loop system for hearing aids with a "t" switch position.

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### **This Morning's Altered Schedule:**

- 9:00AM Sunday School Hour
- 10:00AM Worship
- 11:15AM Annual Meeting
- 12:15AM Lunch served by the SYF

**Meeting Packets (Initial Packet printed on white; Addendum printed on gold)  
are available on a table in the sanctuary narthex.**

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## ***January Mission-A-Month Church World Service Emergency Clean Up Kits***

The supplies provided in these clean up kits enable people to begin the overwhelming job of cleaning up after a flood, hurricane, tornado, or other disaster here in the United States. Please use your weekly offering envelopes for your donations and mark them M-A-M or CWS Kits.

## Week of January 21<sup>st</sup> at St. John's Christian Church

Sunday	6:00pm	Young Adult Small Group (108 St. Anne Street)
	6:00pm	Seekers Small Group (733 W. Leggett Street, Wauseon)
Monday	11:00am	Staff Meeting
	5:00pm	Basketball Practice (Gym)
	7:00pm	Consistory Orientation (Fireside)
Tuesday	9:15am	Bible Study – 1 Samuel 20:1-17
	5:00pm	Community Meal
Wednesday	8:30am	Moms in Prayer (Upstairs)
	9:00am	Bible Study at West Haven
	5:50pm	LOGOS Meal (Gym)
	6:45pm	JYF (Chapel)
	6:50pm	Hand Bells & Hand Chimes (Sanctuary/Choir Room)
	7:00pm	SYF (Youth Room)
Sunday	7:30pm	Chancel Choir Practice (Sanctuary)
	8:00am	Worship Service
	9:15am	Confirmation/Sunday School
	10:30am	Worship Service – Service of Ordination & Installation

### Prayer Joys, Concerns, Requests - Please Pray For:

- Judy Barnhart, recovering at home from surgery for a broken knee cap, from a fall.
- Joel Foote, recovering well from knee replacement surgery.
- Sharon VonDeylen, who had surgery on Monday at Parkview in Fort Wayne.
- Louise Short, recovering at home from hip replacement surgery on Monday.
- Phil Spiess, a patient at St. Vincent's Hospital in Toledo.
- Pauline Short, in hospice care at Fairlawn.
- Brenden Bostelman, stationed in Afghanistan.
- Taylor Collins, stationed in Bolling, DC.
- Kyle Ducey, stationed at Fort Gordon, Georgia.
- Jared Kuntz, stationed in Guam.
- Donny Richardson, stationed Camp Lejeune, North Carolina.
- Steve Schink, stationed at the Coast Guard Academy in New London, Connecticut.
- AJ Short, stationed in Japan.
- Kyle Stuckey, stationed in Korea.
- Kollin Woolace, stationed at Camp Lejeune, North Carolina.

**Blessing & Farewell** – Next Sunday we'll be thanking Sue Grieser for her ten years of service as our Administrative Assistant, and wish her and Tim well on their move. Their new address is 3602 Southern Ginger Drive, Indian Trail, NC 28079. Following each service, people may offer their blessings and farewells to Tim & Sue, in the parlor.

## Missionaries Supported by Our Congregation

- ✚ Africa – Tom & Megan – The Islands – serving since 2009, Tom and Megan, with their children, Grace, Peter and David, continue serving with a team focused on teaching English, offering translation workshops, mentoring and discipleship.
- ✚ Ann Arbor – Kyle Chase – Reliant Mission at U of Michigan – serving since 2008, Kyle is married to Melissa, and they have two sons, Jaden and Brennan. Kyle continues to be on the pastoral team of New Life Church, while also establishing new churches at Eastern Michigan University and Western Michigan University.
- ✚ Bowling Green – Robert & Jenni McMahan – Cru at BGSU – our newest campus ministry couple who continue to raise support so they can move to campus.
- ✚ Brazil – Tony & Leila Frank – Tony is originally from Stryker and Leila is from Brazil. After serving in Russia and Mozambique, they transitioned to Brazil in 2014. They are engaged in teaching at a local church, teaching bible and discipleship at a local college and translation work. A team from SJCC will visit them in April.
- ✚ Chicago – Jon & Rachel Doriot – Pioneers – we began supporting Jon & Rachel, and their children, Jadon, Brendan, Joshua and Asher, in 2012, when they were in Indonesia. They transitioned to Chicago in the fall of 2016 where the train believers in discipleship, reach out to lost Muslims, and network broadly with like-minded people.
- ✚ China – Cheryl Wyse – Agape Family Life House (AFLH) – our support began in 2012, when Cheryl and Keith (deceased) split their time between Archbold and Langfang, China. They established the AFLH in 2002, a foster home and school for children with brittle bone disease. Cheryl and her daughters reside in Ridgeville Corners.
- ✚ Columbus – Whitney Varnau – Reliant Mission at Ohio State & She Has A Name (SHAN) – Whitney and her husband, Steve, were married in September, 2015, at the time we began supporting her in her ministry. Whitney divides her time between ministering on campus with Reliant and serving with SHAN (anti-human trafficking).
- ✚ Columbus – Matt & Paige Waanders – Cru at OSU – Paige is a granddaughter of Lenny & Jean Stamm, and after serving a year in Brazil, they returned to OSU in July, 2017.
- ✚ Dominican Republic – Jason & Becky Suon – Freedom International – moved to the DR in early 2017. Jason works in maintenance at the school and Becky works in the preschool. They have four children – Finn, Paisley, Stacia and Moses.
- ✚ India – Dr. Shobha Arole & Mr. Ravi Arole – CRHP Jamkhed – our oldest missionary partnership, dating back to 1967. They are the children of the CRHP founders. CRHP includes a hospital, preschool, training center, teaching farm, prosthetic leg workshop and much more; sharing Christ and providing quality health care to 40 villages.
- ✚ Kenya – Larry & Linda Rupp – Kajiado Children's Home – Larry, brother to Doug, grew up at SJCC and he and Linda help found the home in the early 1990's. The home serves 60 to 90 orphans, providing education, faith and a loving family environment.
- ✚ Toledo – Matt Pardi – Reliant Mission at U of Toledo – Matt and MaryLynn served at OSU for six years, and we began supporting them in 2010 when they were at BGSU. They are the parents of Dominic, Isabella and Max.

**Next Sunday – January 28 - Fourth Sunday after Epiphany**

Sermon – “Volunteering? Yes!” by Pastor Erich Christman

Scripture – Isaiah 6:1-13

**Discovery Daily Devotional Guides** – The Jan/Feb/Mar Discovery Daily Bible Guides are available in the literature rack outside the Associate Pastor’s office (suggested donation \$6 each). You can access this guide online at <http://www.scriptureunion.org/Bible%20Reading/Discovery>. Below is the list of daily readings for this week:

- January 22 - Siblings Unite ..... 1 Samuel 19:1-24
- January 23 - A Matter of Trust ..... 1 Samuel 20:1-17
- January 24 - The Best of Friends ..... 1 Samuel 20:18-42
- January 25 - Decision-Making ..... 1 Samuel 21:1-15
- January 26 - Do Not Forget Us, Lord! ..... 1 Samuel 22:1-23
- January 27 - Lost Opportunity ..... 1 Samuel 24:1-22
- January 28 - Let Go and Let God ..... Psalm 94

**2017 Giving Statements** – Giving statements for 2017 are available on a table in the sanctuary narthex. Please contact the church office if you have any questions or would like a digital copy forwarded to you via e-mail.

**Directory** – A link for our online directory is available on our web site ([www.stjohnsarchbold.org](http://www.stjohnsarchbold.org)) under Resources on our home page, or you can access it directly at [www.instantchurchdirectory.com](http://www.instantchurchdirectory.com).

**Today’s Worship Servants**

- Acolytes Carly Grime
- Ushers (Head) Dave Walker
- Mark & Tammy Nofziger, Jay & Karla Pursel
- Nursery Staff AJ & Kisha Genter (Jan 28) Josh & Kasey Grime
- Sound Tech James Grime
- Video Tech Dean Sauder
- Computer Tech Tom Hines
- Worship Leader Brad Roth
- Song Leader Ed Ruffer
- Accompanist Lynne Christman

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