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Come Hear the Reason we're Inspired to Serve Together



LOGOS Celebration Banquet

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!

Lighting of the Altar Candles and Ringing of the Tower Bells

Welcome, Announcements, Scripture and Prayer

Hebrews 4:14–16 (p. 1186)

Prelude

“Majestic/Great Is The Lord”

†Call to Worship (L – leader; P – people)

L: Let us worship with faith and confidence, knowing and trusting in the powerful grace of our high priest – Jesus Christ!

P: *We come before God with boldness this morning, eager to give voice to our acclamations of praise and thanksgiving!*

L: Gathered for worship, receive mercy and grace from him who was without sin, who died that we might have life, and have life abundantly.

†Hymn of Praise – #267

“Come, Thou Almighty King”

Testimony of Faith

Sharon VonDeylen

“In My Life Lord” and “Even If”

Children’s Message

†Prayer Hymn – #342

“Just as I Am”

Prayers of the People, Pastoral Prayer and The Lord’s Prayer (debts/debtors)

(10:30) Chancel Choir

“You Are My Hiding Place”

Scripture Reading

Matthew 17:14–20 (p. 973–974)

Sermon

“What Mountains Can Be Moved?”

Sharing Our Tithes and Offerings of Gratitude

Offertory

“My Everything”

†Doxology and Unison Prayer of Dedication - ***In faith, we bring these offerings to your altar this morning, Lord. We pray that you will magnify them, through your amazing power, for the glory of your Kingdom and the peace of your people. In Jesus’ name we pray. Amen***

†Closing Hymn – #213

“Because He Lives”

†Spoken Benediction

†Benediction in Song – #213, refrain only

“Because He Lives”

†Postlude

Welcome . . .

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 outside of the chapel or at www.stjohnsarchbold.org.

St. John's Christian Preschool

A learning, Christian ministry geared for children 3-5 years of age. Four sessions offered: Tues./Thurs. mornings and afternoons, and Mon./Wed./Fri. mornings and afternoons; and run from September through May. More info is available at www.stjohnsarchbold.org.

Mother's Room / Diaper Changing Station / Nursery Care

We have a Mother's Room near our sanctuary – 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 by our system for hearing aids with a “t” switch position.

This Week's Congregational Prayer:

My words, my many, many words, O Lord. Do I ever take time to listen for your voice in my life? Or am I always so busy saying what I want to say? Remind me, Lord, to be still and know that you are God! I desire a faith that can move the mountains of life. Such faith comes from trusting in you. I trust you, Lord, speak to me, that I would hear...Amen.

May Mission-A-Month – Cherry Street Mission

The month of May gives us an opportunity to donate toward the Cherry Street Mission Ministries, which includes Sparrow's Nest. Cherry Street and Sparrow's Nest provide more than food, clothing and shelter. Their redemptive programming is built around one on one mentorship. They care about who a person is, rather than what a person has become. Cherry Street provides nearly 900 meals to guests and members of the community in need every day, serving three meals a day, 7 days a week. Besides monetary donations (noted on your offering envelope or check as “May M-A-M”), they are always in need of the following items, which can be dropped off in the mission collection box across from the chapel: bottled water, toilet paper, #10 canned fruits and vegetables, liquid laundry detergent, razors for men or women, deodorant for men or women, feminine sanitary products, towels, and wash cloths.

May is Our Mending Month at Fairlawn Haven. Please plan to join us every Thursday at 9:00AM. Volunteers are needed.

Let's Talk About It - This Week in Our Children's and Youth Education:

Faith Village: We began a new unit today, entitled "Teach Us to Pray" which uses Matthew 6:9-13 and Luke 11:1-4 as its main Bible references. In this unit we are learning that there are many ways to talk to God, and that Jesus taught his disciples to pray a prayer that we still use today – the Lord's Prayer. When do you like to talk to God?



Shipwrecked VBS Coming Soon!!

June 17-21st

Registration forms can be found outside of the chapel or register online through the church website. VBS is open to any youth, ages 4 years old – 6th grade, who want to learn about how we can be rescued by God! Plans are well underway for this exciting week and if you feel like you would like to help with this great experience, there are sign up sheets outside of the chapel. Please be

praying for God to move through our preparations and planning. For more information, please contact Sarah Nafziger, Amy Baden, Mindy Gruengagen and Carrie Nofziger.

CAMP AMIGO is hiring summer staff for their camp program.

Positions open include male and female counselors, with weekly pay starting around \$140, including room and board. Camps run for the entire months of June and July, with opportunities to begin work in May and end in August. Staff would be working with children ages 4-17. Summer Staff at Amigo provides practical experience working with children and opportunities for developing skills as a leader, both of which look great on resumes and college applications. Additionally, a summer spent at Amigo includes living in community with other staff members, making a difference in the lives of children, and spending time in nature. Visit Amigo's website for more info: <http://www.amigocentre.org/summer-employment.html>.

Habitat for Humanity of Fulton County, Ohio (HFHFCO) is in the midst of a new fundraising plan – a Play House / Garden Shed Raffle – which is on display in our church parking lot this week! A group of volunteers recently built the Play House, which can also be used as a Garden Shed! The Play House is on a moving display schedule – it's being displayed in the communities of the county. Pictures and info of the Play House are available at www.habitatfco.org. Raffle tickets can be purchased on line at that website or tickets may be had through contacting Pastor Erich. All proceeds of the raffle will fund building projects through HFHFCO.



Community Burger Bash, Sunday, May 20

We will be serving Brookview Burgers in the Ruibley Park Pavillion from 11:00AM-1:00PM. The Free-will donation for the picnic lunch benefits the Foods Resource Bank. Our local cattlefeeders use this ecumenical event to reach out into remote areas of the world to bring life-changing improvements to rural villagers.

WEEK OF May 6th AT ST. JOHN'S CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Sun	8:00AM	Worship Service (Sanctuary)
	9:15AM	Confirmation / Faith Village / Sunday School
	10:30AM	Worship Service (Sanctuary)
	6:00PM	Seekers (Short's Pond)
Mon	11:00AM	Staff Meeting (Office Closed)
Tues	9:15AM	Bible Study (Fireside Room)
	4:00PM	Laundry Buddy Ministry
	5:00PM	Community Meal (Hosted by Hospice at Zion)
	7:00PM	Property Committee (Fireside Room)
Wed	8:30AM	Moms in Prayer (Upstairs Classroom)
	9:00AM	Bible Study at West Haven
	7:00PM	SYF Remix (Youth Room)
	7:00PM	Life Planning (Chapel)
	7:00PM	Presentation Practice (Sanctuary)
Thurs	8:00AM	Pastor Erich at EA Pastor's Gathering
	9:00AM	Mending at Fairlawn Haven
	7:00PM	Preschool Board Meeting (Fireside Room)
Sat	7:40AM	Men's Prayer Breakfast
	8:00AM	Mindful Movement (Parish Hall)
Sun		Presentation Sunday/Mother's Day
	8:00AM	Worship Service (Sanctuary)
	9:15AM	Confirmation / Faith Village / Sunday School
	10:30AM	Worship Service (Sanctuary)

Next Sunday – May 13th - Presentation Sunday & Mother's Day

We will be led in our worship by our nine 8th grade Confirmands – Bryce Beltz, Braden Eichler, Emma Hall, Tyler Hurst, Emma Nafziger, Karsen Pursel, Emily Walker, Kenny Walker and Hailley Wooley. They have planned the service, selected hymns, songs and scriptures, and written the prayers and Class Creed. Two of them will be offering special music that day, too!

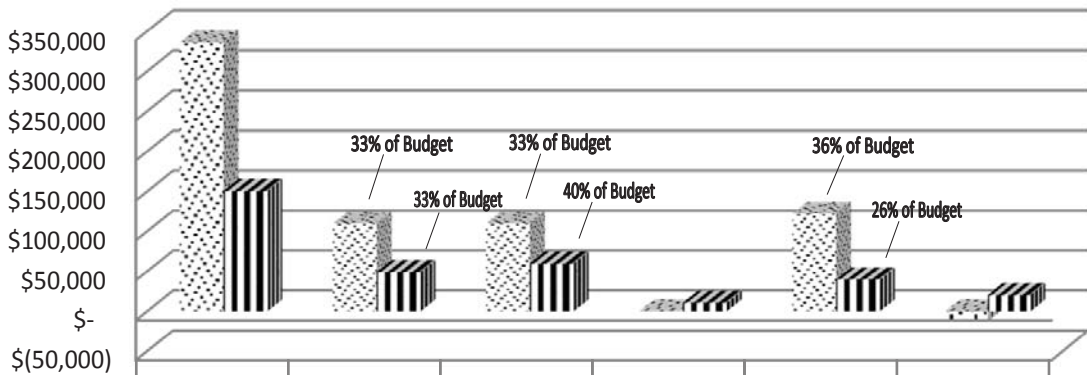
Pastor Alex will be on vacation this week and he will be back in the office on Tuesday, May 15th.

Discovery Daily Devotional Guides – The Apr/May/June 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%20Discovery>. Below is the list of daily readings for this week:

May 7 - An Eye for an Eye	Exodus 21:12-27
May 8 - Let Justice Be Done	Exodus 22:1-15
May 9 - Change of Strategy	Exodus 22:16-31
May 10 - We've Got Rhythm	Exodus 23:1-19
May 11 - Designated Tour Guide.....	Exodus 23:20-33
May 12 - A Deal Over Dinner	Exodus 24:1-18
May 13 - A Counting Exercise	Psalm 106

Sermon Notes

2018 Operating & Missions Funds as of April 30, 2018



	2018 Budget	2018 Budget % of year (17/52 wks)	2018 YTD Receipts	Receipts Comp to YTD Budget	YTD Expenses	2018 YTD Receipts Comp to Expenses
Operating	\$336,000	\$109,846.15	\$109,852	\$6	\$122,276	\$(12,424)
Missions	\$150,800	\$49,300	\$60,101	\$10,801	\$39,743	\$20,358

IYF Building Campaign Total Receipts as of April 30, 2018 - \$593,281.66

Brazilian Mission Experience Sharing – April 21st thru May 2nd, 2018

Linda Heer, Mark Nofziger, Crissi Stuckey and Pastor Erich left for Ivoti (Ivo-chi), Brazil on April 21st and returned home on May 2nd. They spent April 22nd thru May 1st with Tony & Leila Frank, missionaries we support as a congregation. Leila is a native of Brazil, so she grew up speaking Portuguese, and Tony has become very fluent in the language over the years, as Portuguese is also the language of Mozambique, where they served for several years prior to their move to Brazil.

The group went with a four-fold purpose in mind: 1) To support and encourage Tony & Leila in their ministry; 2) To learn about the people, the culture and the situations in which they live and teach; 3) To develop further insight in to missionary ministry; and 4) To increase our sense of awareness of the Christian Church in the world.

Over a week's immersion into the culture of southern Brazil certainly met those goals, while experiencing so much more! The group enjoyed very friendly hospitality – we were welcomed very well in all settings – at the Church, at The Hang Out (a Christian Coffee House for college students), at the Bible College, and wherever we ate or traveled. We were thanked for our support of Tony & Leila by the participants in their primary places of ministry, at the church and the Bible College. The mission funds SJCC gives to World Team are bearing much fruit! Our group was greatly blessed and impacted through the faith of the people of the local church, which energized our faith and awareness of ministry – the Lord is doing a wonderful ministry in Ivoti and nearby cities.

Tony & Leila are involved in three primary avenues of ministry:

- a. Local Church – Tony is the coordinating pastor.
- b. Bible College – Tony teaches a weekly class (Christian Apologetics this term) and both serve on the Board of Directors.
- c. The Hang Out – both are engaged in discipling students who come from a nearby university, being at the coffee shop for five hours two afternoons a month.

The Church meets weekly – Sunday evening worship, Wednesday evening prayer meeting and Saturday evening youth and young adult ministry. They have monthly men's and women's ministries and enjoy frequent faith and fellowship outings. The Church may have 50 or so people active in their congregation. Tony & Leila are always seeking ways to interact with more people; seeking to bring people to Christ and discipling them in order to prepare them to be leaders and pastors in the churches; interaction with people is critical, and the difficulty is in finding ways to interact with people. Continue to pray for Tony & Leila, that the Lord blesses them with further knowledge, wisdom and compassion.

Prayer Joys, Concerns, Requests - Please Pray For:

- Asher Doriot, 2 1/2 year old son of Jon & Rachel, who is hospitalized due to having a seizure, and is going through various tests to determine diagnosis and treatment.
- Josephine Short, who has moved from Assisted Living to Fairlawn, Room #120.
- Lois Heer, who has moved from Assisted Living to Fairlawn, Room #122.
- The Friendship House, seeking a person to serve as the House Mom for this local ministry.
- Barb Sigg, who is in rehab at Fairlawn, in Room 10.
- Director of Music Ministry – be praying for God to lead the right person to us, and for us to recognize the Lord’s candidate.
- Worship Accompanists – pray that God leads interested pianists and organists to us!
- Mary Zimmerman, who is waiting for her MRI, to confirm the last of the tumor is gone.
- Pauline Short, in hospice care at Fairlawn, room #113.
- Brenden Bostelman, stationed in Afghanistan (Grandson of Bill & Kathy).
- Taylor Collins, stationed in Bolling, DC (Granddaughter of Nan Neill).
- Kyle Ducey, stationed at Fort Gordon, Georgia (Son of Kelly & Betsy).
- Jared Kuntz, stationed in Guam (Son of Keith & Kelli).
- Eric Magg, stationed in Ketchikan, Alaska (Son of Joe & Sheryl Short).
- Donny Richardson, stationed at Camp Lejeune, North Carolina (Son of Shannon & Yesi).
- Steve Schink, at the Coast Guard Academy in New London, CT (Son-in-Law of Ed & Julie Ruffer).
- AJ Short, has returned from Japan, and is now stationed at 29 Palms, California. (Son of Joe & Sheryl Short).
- Kyle Stuckey, Killeen, Texas (Grandson of Nan Neill).
- Kollin Woolace, stationed in Camp Lejeune, North Carolina (Grandson of Larry & Melva).
- All our home bound and care center residents, and all our students.

Today’s Worship Servants

Acolytes	(8:00) Karsen Pursel	(10:30) Krayton Kern
Ushers	(Head) Dave Walker	
	(8:00) Doug & Nancy Rupp	
	(10:30) Eric & Sarah Nafziger, Todd & Jill Nafziger	
Nursery Staff	(10:30) JoAnn Short	(May 13) Bruce & Carrie Wooley
Sound Tech	(Both) James Grime	
Video Tech	(10:30) Dean Sauder	
Computer Tech	(Both) Brian Roth	
Song Leader	(Both) Andrew Rohrs	
Children’s Moment	(Both) Nancy Rupp	
Accompanist	(Both) Lynne Christman	

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