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Come Hear the Reason we're Inspired to Serve Together



VBS Nursery Children

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.

July 1, 2018

8:00 & 10:30AM

Welcome to our Worship of God!

Lighting of the Altar Candles and Ringing of the Tower Bells

Welcome and Announcements

Scripture and Prayer of Invocation

Isaiah 58:13-14 (p.736)

Prelude

“He Has Made Me Glad”

Call To Worship

†(8:00) Hymn of Praise – #18, brown

“Crown Him with Many Crowns”

†(10:30) Praise Songs

“Rise Up and Praise Him”
“Our God”

†Passing the Peace of Christ

Children’s Message

(#579, v. 1, red, “Jesus Loves Me”)

Special Music

Denny Hornish

“My Task”

Prayer Hymn – #259

“Breathe on Me, Breath of God”

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer (debts/debtors)

Scripture Reading

1 Corinthians 2:6-16 (p. 1129)

Sermon

“Wisdom of the Cross”

Sharing Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

“There is a Balm in Gilead”

†The Doxology and Unison Prayer of Dedication – ***Thank you, Lord, for this opportunity of Christian stewardship. Direct our offerings that they will bear fruit in our ministry of sharing the meaning of the cross, bringing glory to your name! Amen.***

†(8:00) Closing Hymn – #527

“Glory to His Name”

†(10:30) Closing Song

“O Love That Will Not Let Me Go”

†Spoken Benediction

†Benediction in Song – #186, chorus only

“The Old Rugged Cross”

†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:

Thank you, Lord, for teaching me by your Spirit. Move me, Lord, to open my mind for further instruction, that I may accept even more of your wisdom. As I look at the cross this week, I thank you for its meaning and its symbolism, which is far beyond what my words can express. Thank you, Father, for loving me and guiding me. In all praise, through the power of the mighty name of Jesus. Amen.

The Fourth of July:

The Fourth of July—also known as Independence Day or July 4th—has been a federal holiday in the United States since 1941, but the tradition of Independence Day celebrations goes back to the 18th century and the American Revolution. On July 2nd, 1776, the Continental Congress voted in favor of independence, and two days later delegates from the 13 colonies adopted the Declaration of Independence, a historic document drafted by Thomas Jefferson. From 1776 to the present day, July 4th has been celebrated as the birth of American independence.



The Altar Flowers are sponsored by the family of Maurice Schmucker in honor of his 97th birthday on June 28th.



July Mission-A-Month – Shepherd's Circle

Next Sunday – July 8th

Sermon – “Community and Leaders Belong to God” by Pastor Erich Christman

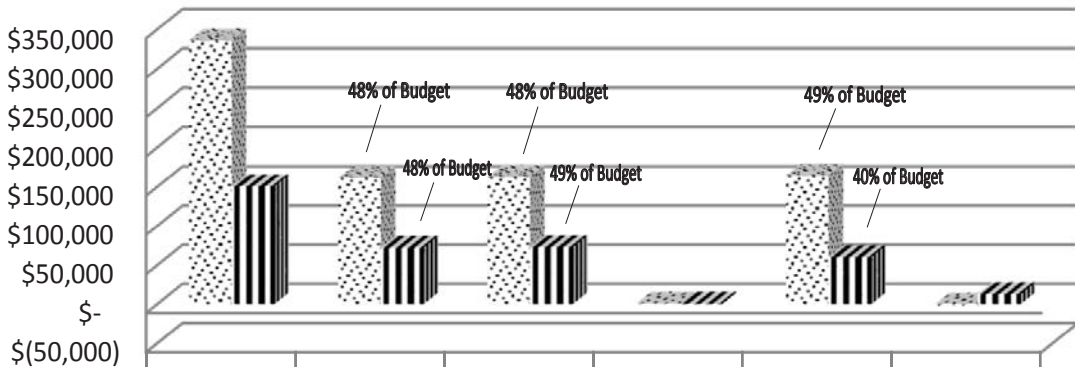
Scripture – 1 Corinthians 3:1-23

Brazil Mission Trip Presentation – Linda, Mark, Crissi and Erich will be sharing of their mission excursion to Brazil! They'll offer a ten minute summary in both services of worship on July 8th, and then they'll host a presentation during the Sunday school hour – complete with coffee cake, fruit and juices!



The 2018 Book Bag Bash is scheduled for August 5th, from 4PM to 6PM! From now until then, the Evangelism Committee is once again asking for your generous support of this supply and outreach event. We won't be collecting individual school supply items, but are hoping people will be generous in their funding of this special event. Mark checks or envelopes with “BBB” and we'll designate such gifts to the Book Bag Bash – all donations will be accepted through the end of July.

2018 Operating & Missions Funds as of June 25, 2018



	2018 Budget	2018 Budget % of year (25/52 wks)	2018 YTD Receipts	Receipts Comp to YTD Budget	YTD Expenses	2018 YTD Receipts Comp to Expenses
Operating	\$336,000	\$161,538.4	\$162,599	\$1,061	\$164,371	\$(1,772)
Missions	\$150,800	\$72,500.00	\$73,322	\$822	\$60,382	\$12,940

IYF Building Campaign Total Receipts as of June 25, 2018 - \$602,691.01

WEEK OF July 1st AT ST. JOHN'S CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Sun	8:00AM	Worship Service (Sanctuary)
	9:15AM	Confirmation / Faith Village / Sunday School
	10:30AM	Worship Service (Sanctuary)
Mon.	11:00AM	Staff Meeting (Office Closed)
Tues	9:15AM	Bible Study (Fireside Room)
	5:00PM	Community Meal (Hosted by AAMA & SJCC)
Wed		Independence Day (Office Closed)
Thurs	7:00PM	Mission Committee (Fireside Room)
Sun	8:00AM	Worship Service (Sanctuary)
	9:15AM	Confirmation / Faith Village / Sunday School
	9:15AM	Brazil Mission Trip Sharing in Gym
	10:30AM	Worship Service (Sanctuary)
	6:00PM	Young Adult Ministry

Discovery Daily Devotional Guides – The July/Aug/Sept 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](http://www.scriptureunion.org/Bible%20Reading%20Discovery). Below is the list of daily readings for this week:

July 2 - Be Comforted	Isaiah 40:1-11
July 3 - Twenty Questions.....	Isaiah 40:12-31
July 4 - Worms With Teeth!.....	Isaiah 41:1-20
July 5 - How to be a Servant	Isaiah 42:1-9
July 6 - Sing... Why Not?!.....	Isaiah 42:10-25
July 7 - What Does God Call You?	Isaiah 43:1-13
July 8 - The God of the Exodus	Psalm 114

Director of Music Ministry

The Personnel Committee is very pleased to announce that Andrew Rohrs will be our new Director of Music Ministry. Andrew brings much knowledge, experience and talent to this position! He works at Rettig Music in Defiance, has a Bachelor of Music Arts from Concordia College, has served in various music roles here at SJCC, at Zion Lutheran in Ridgeville Corners, and at St. Paul's Lutheran in Ann Arbor during and immediately following college. Andrew has also played trumpet for area high school and community theater musicals. Andrew served as the Chancel Choir Director this past year.

Andrew is the husband of Lori, and the father of Callie (a senior at AHS) and Harrison (a 3rd grader at AES). Andrew has been active at SJCC since 2013 and became a member in March of 2014. Andrew will begin on July 1st and will work 10 hours per week, on average.

Sermon Notes

Sermon – “Wisdom of the Cross”

Scripture – 1 Corinthians 2:6-16

In this passage, Paul seems to be making use of irony, employing the thought process of many of the Corinthian Christians, building upon their use of the words...wisdom, spiritual, mature, etc.

Paul is rebuking the Christians for seeking wisdom through human and worldly ways

Thus, he speaks of a secret, hidden wisdom – that wisdom is the cross – a wisdom that comes from maturing in the faith.

Paul is preparing them for what he'll be writing in chapter 3!

Spiritual wisdom, wisdom of the cross – revealed through the Holy Spirit

- **The Spirit who is from God**
- **In words taught by the Spirit**
- **Spiritually discerned**

The mind of Christ...

St. John's Christian Church – Mission Information

2018 Mission Budget – \$150,800

As of June 24, Donations to the Mission Fund Include:

Designated Donations – \$25,276.68

Undesignated Donations – \$33,150.50

Interest Income – \$2,501.79

Farm Income – \$1,120

Total to Date – \$62,048.97

Mission Goal for Six Months of the Year Would Be – \$75,400

Number of Missionaries SJCC Supports – 13 Missionaries

Support Ranges from \$1000 to \$13,000, totaling \$50,000

Average Support – \$3,846 per Missionary

Serving in 7 Countries and on 5 College Campuses

Number of Agencies SJCC Supports – 18 Agencies

Support Ranges from \$500 to \$12,000, totaling \$60,300

Average Support – \$3,350 per Agency

Supporting 7 Agencies in Fulton County and 3 in Lucas County

Supporting 5 World-Wide Agencies and 3 Located in America

Number of Ministries SJCC Supports with Mission Funds – 9 Ministries

Support Ranges from \$1,000 to \$6,000, totaling \$27,500

Average Support – \$3,055 per Ministry

These ministries are extensions of SJCC ministries

Number of Annual Mission Trips SJCC Supports with Mission Funds – 4 Trips

Support Ranges from \$1,500 to \$3,000, totaling \$8,500

Average Support – \$2,125 per Trip

Funds are forwarded to missionaries, agencies and ministries on a monthly, quarterly or annual basis. For example, funds are usually sent to local agencies on a monthly basis, to overseas agencies/missionaries on a quarterly basis, or annually to seasonal ministries like Operation Christmas Child or Christmas Cheer. There are transfer fees associated with overseas transactions, so sending quarterly lessens the frequency of those set fees.

Prayer Joys, Concerns, Requests - Please Pray For:

- Jim Silcox, who was hospitalized at Toledo Hospital due to a case of Bell's palsy.
- Paul Sigg, recovering at Rupp Rehab
- Deb Light, daughter of Dan, leading a trip with Habitat for Humanity in Malawi, June 29-July 14.
- Kinsey Smith, who is raising support for a two year commitment to teach 11th grade United States Literature at Grace International School in Chiang Mai, Thailand, through Cru. Her goal is to leave for Thailand on July 23rd.
- Toby Walker, recovering from tendon surgery on his left hand.
- Sandi Newland, receiving treatments for cancer.
- Jeremy Neuenschwander, working through some further medical appointments.
- Shannon Richardson's father, who has cancer.
- Doris Rupp, who has moved to Assisted Living, room #236, at Fairlawn.
- Lois Heer, who is in hospice care at Fairlawn, room #122.
- Pastor Erich, who has a consult on Thursday with a neurosurgeon regarding his lower back issues.
- Brenden Bostelman, back from Afghanistan, now in Alaska (Army) (Grandson of Bill & Kathy).
- Kyle Ducey, at Fort Gordon, Georgia (Navy) (Son of Kelly & Betsy).
- Jared Kuntz, at Guam (Army) (Son of Keith & Kelli).
- Eric Magg, at Ketchikan, Alaska (Coast Guard) (Son of Joe & Sheryl Short).
- Shayne & Taylor Pitts, 5525-C Washington CT SW at Bolling AFB, DC 20032(both in Air Force) (Granddaughter of Nan Neill)..
- Donny Richardson, at Camp Lejeune, North Carolina (Marines) (Son of Shannon & Yesi).
- Steve Schink, stationed at Port Angeles, WA (Coast Guard) (Son-in-Law of Ed & Julie Ruffer).
- AJ Short, at 29 Palms, California (Marines) (Son of Joe & Sheryl Short).
- Kyle Stuckey, at Killeen, Texas (Army) (Grandson of Nan Neill).
- Kollin Woolace, at Camp Lejeune, North Carolina (Marines) (Grandson of Larry & Melva).
- All our home bound and care center residents, and all our students.

Today's Worship Servants

Acolytes	(8:00)	Gavin Walker	(10:30)	Emily Walker
Ushers	(Head)	Tom Johnson		
	(8:00)	Gary & Judy Sears		
	(10:30)	Dave & Paige Miller and Kelly & Betsy Ducey		
Nursery Staff	(10:30)	Vond & Mary Hall	(July 8)	Matt & Kim Hines
Sound Tech	(8:00)	Angie Neuenschwander	(10:30)	James Grime
Video Tech	(10:30)	Dean Sauder		
Computer Tech	(Both)	Brian Roth		
Song Leader	(Both)	Andrew Rohrs		
Worship Leader	(Both)	Tammy Nofziger		
Accompanist	(Both)	Lynne Christman		
Praise Band – Lynne Christman, Sarah Nafziger, Chris Baden, Norm & Ann Fether				

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