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



Youth Mission Trip to Chicago

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 and Announcements

Mission Moment – Eliot Nofziger, Defiance Area Youth for Christ – The Outback

Scripture and Prayer

Psalm 146 (p. 622)

Prelude

“All Creatures of Our God/Shout to the Lord”

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

L: In the course of living life, we do not only move from place to place, from event to event,

**P: We also move from thought to thought, from task to task, from feeling to feeling.**

L: We can move between solitude and relationship, between growth and stagnation, between faithfulness and spiritual carelessness.

**P: We are a people in motion. We are a people of God.**

**A: In gathering to worship, we give thanks for our freedom to move. We offer praise to the ever-present God, to the living Christ, and to the sustaining Spirit. Wherever we go, we remain in the keeping and the company of God. Praise be to Him!**

†Hymn Sing

#349, verse 1

“Trust and Obey”

#350, verses 1 & 2

“’Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus”

#409, verses 1 & 4

“I Know Whom I Have Believed”

†Unison Prayer – ***In our praise of You this morning, Lord, we are so grateful for Your eternal reign! Thank you for setting us free from our prison of sin. Thank you for lifting us up from the trials and burdens of our lives. Thank you for watching over us. May our worship burst forth from within us, from the refreshing nature of singing our praise of You! Our trust and hope are in You, and You alone. In Your name we pray. Amen.***

†The Gloria Patri (#623)

†Passing the Peace of Christ

SYF Mission Trip Blessing

Children’s Message

(10:30) Chancel Choir

“With God Nothing Is Impossible”

“More Precious / I Stand in Awe”

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

Scripture Reading  
†(8:00) Sermon Hymn – #278, brown  
Sermon  
Sharing Our Tithes and Offerings  
Offertory  
†The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication  
†(8:00) Closing Hymn – #238, brown  
(10:30) Chancel Choir  
†Spoken Benediction  
†Benediction in Song – #449, brown  
†Postlude

Colossians 1:1-23 (p. 1165)  
“My Faith Looks Up to Thee”  
“Faith Towards Heaven”  
“His Eye Is On the Sparrow”  
“All the Way My Saviour Leads Me”  
“He Never Failed Me Yet”  
“Into My Heart”



## 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 outside of the chapel or at [www.stjohnsarchbold.org](http://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](http://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.

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### **This Week's Congregational Prayer:**

Praise the Lord! I am, and I will, praise you, Lord. I praise you for your revelation – through Jesus and the Scriptures. I praise you for your constant presence with me – through your most Holy Spirit. I praise you for guiding me along life's journey, steering me through the rough patches and directing me along the right path. I praise you for constant faithfulness, forgiving me and redirecting me as I need. Praise the Lord! Now and forever. Amen.



"The altar flowers are given in loving memory of Beth Wanemacher, who has been with her best friend, Jesus, for five years. Like the ripples in a pond, the life of Beth spread out and touched endless hearts. Someone so special can never be forgotten. We never lose the people we love. Life has to end...but love doesn't.



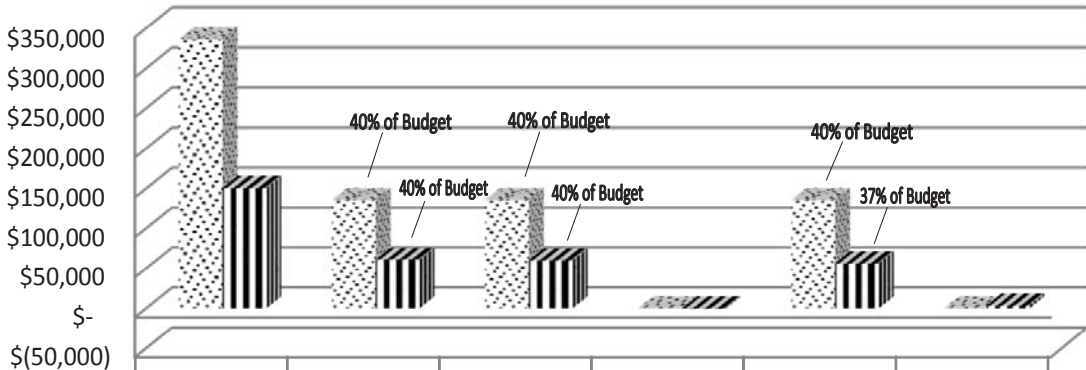
Miss you, dear friend!"

**The Women's Sunday School Class** is a very lively discussion group with gals from the ages of 18 to 80! All women are welcome to the group which will meet in the Preschool Room for the summer. June 3rd we will begin a biblical study and discussion of "A Voice in the Wind" by Francine Rivers. If you would like further information, feel free to call Jan Martinez at 419-799-1457.



**Shipwrecked - Rescued by God VBS** is coming June 17-21st from 6:00-8:30pm! It's going to be a fun week learning that Jesus cares for us personally and rescues us in life's toughest circumstances! Paper registrations can be found outside of the Chapel and registration can also be done online through the church website.

### 2018 Operating & Missions Funds as of May 29, 2018



	2018 Budget	2018 Budget % of year (21/52 wks)	2018 YTD Receipts	Receipts Comp to YTD Budget	YTD Expenses	2018 YTD Receipts Comp to Expenses
Operating	\$336,000	\$135,692.31	\$135,813	\$121	\$135,717	\$96
Missions	\$150,800	\$60,900	\$60,314	\$(586)	\$56,465	\$3,849

IYF Building Campaign Total Receipts as of May 29, 2018 - \$598,055.01

## WEEK OF June 3rd AT ST. JOHN'S CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Sun	8:00AM	Worship Service (Sanctuary)
	9:15AM	Confirmation / Faith Village / Sunday School
	10:30AM	Worship Service (Sanctuary)
	11:45AM	Summer Mission Trip Mtg.
	6:00PM	Seekers (Short's Pond)
Mon	7:45AM	Chicago Mission Trip Participants Meet
	11:00AM	Staff Meeting (Office Closed)
Tues	9:15AM	Bible Study (Fireside Room)
	5:00PM	Community Meal (Hosted by St. Martin's Church)
	7:00PM	Capital Campaign Committee (Fireside Room)
Thurs	7:00PM	Mission Committee (Fireside Room)
Sat	7:40AM	Men's Prayer Breakfast
Sun	8:00AM	Worship Service (Sanctuary)
	9:15AM	Confirmation / Faith Village / Sunday School
	10:30AM	Worship Service (Sanctuary)
	11:45AM	Forerunners SS Luncheon (Parish Hall)
	6:00PM	Young Adult Scavenger Hunt

**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%20ReadingDiscovery>. Below is the list of daily readings for this week:

June 4 - Over Galilee .....	John 1:1-18
June 5 - Over the River .....	John 1:19-28
June 6 - At a Public Gathering .....	John 1:29-34
June 7 - In Employment .....	John 1:35-42
June 8 - Under the Fig Tree .....	John 1:43-51
June 9 - At A Wedding Feast .....	John 2:1-11
June 10 - The Mighty Sceptor .....	Psalm 110

The Evangelism Committee is conducting a churchwide survey. You can pick up a hard copy to fill out in the Narthex, or complete the survey online at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/K6KQ3VF>

## *June Mission-A-Month – Outback Youth Center*

The Outback Youth Center Mission is to provide Archbold area youth (middle school through high school) with a positive non-denominational Christian based atmosphere free of alcohol, tobacco, illegal drugs, and other problems which face our youth today. You will be able to find them on Facebook and the web at [www.theoutbackyouth.webs.com](http://www.theoutbackyouth.webs.com).

## **Sermon – “Faith Towards Heaven”**

**Scripture – Colossians 1:1-23**

### **The Letter**

- **Written to encourage a group of believers who were growing spiritually**
- **Paul has heard that the gospel is bearing fruit in the lives of the Colossian believers**
- **The report brought to Paul of the Colosse church was good, but there was a note of alarm**
- **Written to warn a group of believers who were being confronted with false teaching**
- **The alarm was of the heretical teaching that was undermining the identity and sufficiency of Jesus the Christ**

**1:1-2 – A Greeting from Paul – grace and peace come from knowing the power of the gospel**

- **An apostle of Christ Jesus, By the will of God, And Timothy our brother**

**1:3-8 – Truth and power of the gospel**

- **Faith, love and hope – should be increasingly evident in our lives**
- **Producing fruit and growing**
- **Faith – persuaded or convinced that something is true and trusting it with your life**
- **Love – sincerely wishing for another person’s best interest**
- **Hope – looking forward with eager anticipation and strong confidence**

**1:9-14 – Living a life worthy of the Lord**

- **Bearing fruit in every good work**
- **Growing in knowledge of God**
- **Being strengthened, endurance and patience**

**1:15-23 – The truth about Jesus Christ**

- **All the fullness of God dwells in him, to reconcile all things, to be presented holy**
- **If you continue in your faith, established and firm, not moved from the hope held out in the gospel**

**No plateau, no milestone – must continue**

- **What’s that “if” about?**
- **Continue – continuing – action, effort**

## **Missionaries Supported by Our Congregation and Their Current Prayer Requests:**

- ✠ Africa – Tom & Megan – The Islands – pray for the political stability of the area; pray for their children, who have done well in school; pray for the greater sense of unity and reconciliation amongst island believers; pray for Megan’s health, as the pain in her back has returned.
- ✠ Akron – David Hench – Reliant at Akron U – pray for David and Blair, as their wedding is early this summer; pray for the transition from the end of the school year into summer church.
- ✠ Ann Arbor – Kyle Chase – Reliant Mission at U of Michigan – pray for their team transitions, as one pastor moves to lead a church plant at Western Michigan University and another pastor moves to Toronto to start planting house churches on college campuses in the years to come.
- ✠ Bowling Green – Robert & Jenni McMahan – Cru at BGSU – pray for new partnership connections to complete their team this summer, and for endurance and motivation to report to campus come the fall.
- ✠ Brazil – Tony & Leila Frank – pray that the support and encouragement shared through our team’s recent visit continues to uphold them; pray for their wisdom and discernment as they serve the local church and the Bible College, that leadership would be united in Christ.
- ✠ Chicago – Jon & Rachel Doriot – Pioneers – pray for spiritual growth, unity and cooperation in their work of disciple-making; pray seminars and training opportunities will produce fruit for the Kingdom; pray for the fall – they are already starting to make plans for programming.
- ✠ China – Cheryl Wyse – Agape Family Life House (AFLH).
- ✠ Columbus – Whitney Varnau – Reliant Mission at Ohio State & She Has A Name (SHAN) – Pray for Courtney as she prepares to go on the church plant to Indiana University; for Molly as she transitions to full-time employment; for the women in our current cohort of Strategies for Success. Pray that they would finish strong and feel supported in their journey.
- ✠ Columbus – Matt & Paige Waanders – Cru at Ohio State – pray for the graduating seniors they’ve shared with, that they will continue to follow God and impact the world around them; pray for the six week experience they will be leading in Chicago this summer.
- ✠ Dominican Republic – Jason & Becky Suon – Freedom International – praising God for even the smallest of ways He works – such as teaching the children how to brush their teeth, thus changing a mindset that seems so different, but in change comes new ways to share how much we love them as we love Christ. Thankful their children continue to live well in the DR.
- ✠ India – Dr. Shobha Arole & Mr. Ravi Arole – CRHP – pray for new and continued support of their work which brings holistic health to the villagers – spiritual, physical, emotional...
- ✠ Kenya – Larry & Linda Rupp – Kajiado Children’s Home – besides praying for the children and staff of the home, pray for the folks traveling from the states to the home, June 21 – July 1, that they will bring both support and encouragement to all at KCH!

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

- Jean Stamm, on the death of her brother-in-law, Bruce Kannel, whose memorial service is today.
- Doris Rupp, who is at Fairlawn for a period of rehab due to back pain.
- Terry Tangeman, Back Bay Mission volunteer from NW Ohio, in a car accident and remains hospitalized. Pray for him and his wife, Jeanette.
- Pastor Erich, who awaits a further test of the lumbar region of his back.
- Lois Heer, who is now in hospice care at Fairlawn, room #122.
- Pauline Short, in hospice care at Fairlawn, room #113.
- Director of Music, praying for God to lead the right person to us, and for us to recognize her/him.
- Worship Accompanists – pray that God leads interested pianists and organists to us!
- The team going to Chicago for the youth mission trip, June 4-10: Ryan Christman, Darby Stevens, Alex Young, Devin Beltz, Emily Hines, Leah Miller, David Richardson, Joshua Richardson, Yohanna Richardson, Callie Rohrs, Kylie Sauder, and Kelsey Wyse.
- 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, Coast Guard Academy, New London, CT (Son-in-Law of Ed & Julie Ruffer).
- AJ Short, 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) Kenny Walker	(10:30) Carly Grime
Ushers	(Head) Brad Enderle	
	(8:00) John Graber & Keven Neuenschwander	
	(10:30) John & Deb Kauffman, Jon & Deb Rupp	
Nursery Staff	(10:30) Bruce & Carrie Wooley	(June 10) AJ & Kisha Genter
Sound Tech	(8:00) Angie Neuenschwander	(10:30) James Grime
Video Tech	(10:30) Dean Sauder	
Computer Tech	(Both) Brian Roth	
Song Leader	(Both) Elaine Winzeler	
Worship Leader	(Both) Jan Lindsay	
Accompanist	(Both) Lynne Christman	

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