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



Painting the SYF Room

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! Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost

Enter to Worship God in the Fellowship of Others

Please offer a prayer for yourself, those around you, and those leading worship.

Lighting of the Altar Candles and Ringing of the Tower Bells

The lighted candles symbolize God's presence, and Christ, the Light of the World.

Prelude

“Christ In Us Be Glorified”

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Psalm 118:14-16 (p. 606)

†Hymn of Praise – #89

“Our Great Savior”

Gideon Presentation

Mark Nines, Fulton County Gideons

Scripture Reading

1 Corinthians 14:1-25 (p. 1137)

Children's Message

(10:30) Jr. Choir

“I Will Give Thanks”

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer (debts/debtors)

Sermon

“Eager Desires”

Sharing of Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

“Jesus, Draw Me Close”

†The Doxology and Unison Prayer of Dedication – *Glorious God, more than money and the things we can buy for ourselves, let us eagerly desire the good we can do for others and the glory we can bring to your name. Use our monetary gifts today for these purposes, and use all our gifts throughout this week toward these ends. To you be the glory, now and forever, Amen.*

†Closing Hymn – #294

“Set My Soul Afire”

†Spoken Benediction

†Benediction in Song – #294, refrain

“Set My Soul Afire”

†Postlude

†Exit Offering in support of the Gideons

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.

Orientation Sessions

St. John's Christian Church Orientation Sessions – Interested in becoming a member of the congregation? Want to learn more about the faith, history and ministry of St. John's? Pastor Erich will be conducting orientation sessions starting Sunday, October 14th, beginning at 9:15am. Further sessions will be held at the same time on the 21st and 28th.

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:

Father God, years ago Paul instructed the Corinthians to eagerly desire spiritual gifts...gifts that were used by us to build others up and bring glory to God. Too often my eager desires revolve around what will build me up and bring me glory: comforts and luxuries, power and prestige...my desires so often revolve around me. Captivate my heart again with a sense of your great glory, that my heart's desire is to see you praised. Fill my heart again with a love for others, that my heart's ambition is not to be served, but to be a servant. Give me the mind of Christ, that Christ might be praised through me. Amen.

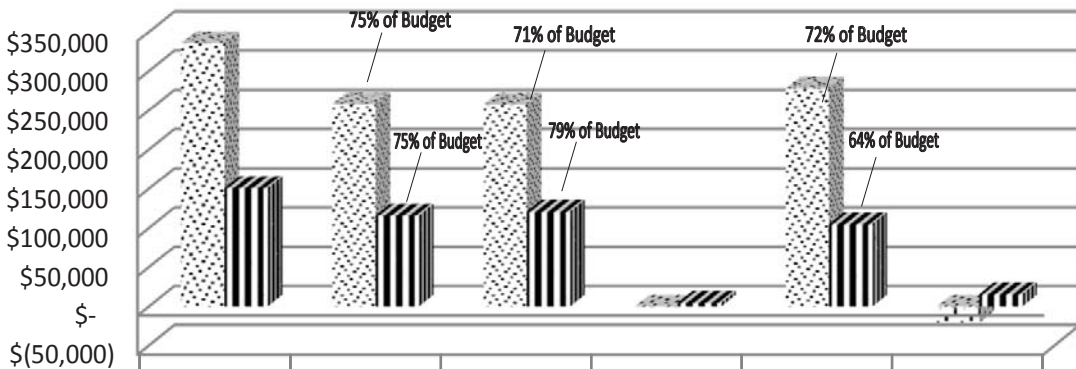


The Altar Flowers are in honor of Jane Short's
101st birthday.



Sermon Notes

2018 Operating & Missions Funds as of Oct. 10, 2018



	2018 Budget	2018 Budget % of year (40/52 wks)	2018 YTD Receipts	Receipts Comp to YTD Budget	YTD Expenses	2018 YTD Receipts Comp to Expenses
Operating	\$336,000	\$258,461.54	\$257,738.00	\$(724)	\$278,376.00	\$(20,638)
Missions	\$150,800	\$116,000.00	\$120,995	\$4,995	\$105,156	\$15,839

IYF Building Campaign Total Receipts as of October 15, 2018 - \$620,559.88

WEEK OF October 21st AT ST. JOHN'S CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Sun	8:00AM	Worship Service (Sanctuary)
	9:15AM	Confirmation / Faith Village / Sunday School
	9:15AM	Orientation Session (Pastor's Office)
	10:30AM	Worship Service (Sanctuary)
	12:00PM	Private Party (Parish Hall)
Mon	11:00AM	Staff Meeting (Office Closed)
	7:00PM	SYF Planning Meeting (SYF Room)
Tues	9:15AM	Bible Study (Fireside Room)
	4:00PM	Laundry Buddy Ministry
	5:00PM	Community Meal @ Zion Mennonite
Wed	8:30AM	Mom's in Prayer (Upstairs Classroom)
	9:00AM	Bible Study at West Haven
	5:50PM	LOGOS/JYF - LOGOS - "World Series" Night - wear a jersey of your favorite team!
	7:00PM	SYF
	7:30PM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Thurs	6:00PM	6th Grade Boys Basketball (Parish Hall)
Fri	5:30PM	Non-Member Wedding Rehearsal
Sat	10:00AM	Keller/Shaw Wedding Party Arrival
	3:30PM	Keller/Shaw Wedding
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	10:30AM	Worship Service (Sanctuary)
	6:00PM	Seekers (Short's Pond)
	6:00PM	Young Adult Ministry

Discovery Daily Devotional Guides – The Oct/Nov/Dec 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%2ReadingDiscovery>. Below is the list of daily readings for this week:

October 22 - At Home With Jesus	John 14:1-14
October 23 - Joyful Obedience.....	John 14:15-31
October 24 - God's Purpose is Fruitful	John 15:1-8
October 25 - Remain in My Love.....	John 15:9-17
October 26 - Like Master, Like Servant	John 15:18-25
October 27 - How to Face Opposition	John 15:26-16:4a
October 28 - Safe...But Afraid?.....	Psalm 125

Next Sunday – October 28

Sermon – “Order in Assembly” by Pastor Erich Christman

Scripture – 1 Corinthians 14:26-40

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

LOGOS: Third Grade: The 3rd grade studied Genesis 12-21 learning how Abraham and Sarah's life was like a box of puzzle pieces which God fit together perfectly. Can we trust Him to do the same for us? **Fourth Grade:** This week we learned about confession. We acted out a story about Peter denying Jesus and how Jesus forgave Peter when he confessed. We tied it to the scripture verse I John 1:9.

SHSS: Our lesson comes from Genesis 24; focusing on how God works providentially to bring about His purposes. We look at the image describing the church as the bride of Christ.

Stephen Ministry

Next Sunday, October 28th, our congregation will commission four new Stephen Leaders to guide and administer the Stephen Ministry program here at St. John's. The new Stephen Leaders are Betsy Redd, Jim Redd, Nancy Rupp and Alex Young. These Stephen Leaders will lead, train, and supervise the Stephen Minister trainees who will begin their training starting November 5th. We celebrate another step of this special ministry in our congregation.

Prayer Group

There is a small group of people who have been praying daily for the Stephen Ministry and the leaders in our church. Every third Friday at 2:00PM, we meet in the home of Marvin Fish, 04725 Williams County Road 2275. If the Lord is calling you to pray for the Stephen Ministry, join us this Friday. We live 3/4 mile north of route 34 in Williams County. The phone number is 419-682-6644. Please do not use GPS.

October Mission-A-Month

Operation Christmas Child

Operation Christmas Child (OCC) is a mission that strives to get needed supplies and The Word of salvation to children living in dire conditions throughout the world. This month, we are collecting items to be included in cardboard boxes that will be packed by volunteers here at our church. If you want to pack your own box, please pick up a box here at the church and use a label from one of the envelopes on the table in the sanctuary narthex to signify on the box if it is for a boy or girl. Place your packed box in or near the white mission box outside the chapel. Or you can just purchase items to be included in boxes that will be packed later. Some suggestions for shoe box items are listed below (or go to www.samaritanspurse.org/operation-christmas-child/pack-a-shoe-box/):

Please bring boxes back by October 28. Please do NOT include food, stuffed animals, or toothpaste, as these items are not allowed to be sent. Donations would be greatly appreciated! We are trying to raise \$2500 to send 200 boxes. See Leah Miller or Callie Rohrs for more information.

Missionaries Supported by Our Congregation and Their Current Prayer Requests:

- ✠ Africa – Tom & Megan – The Islands – pray for the team, for healing and peace after an emotionally exhausting time; pray for them as they evaluate what tasks the team can fully manage; pray for teammates who had to return home, that God would be watching over them.
- ✠ Akron – David Hench – Reliant at Akron U – pray for the fruitfulness of their early contacts with students – the 400 interest cards completed and the 100 students who wanted further conversation with a staff member. Pray for David and the team as they follow up with them all.
- ✠ Ann Arbor – Kyle Chase – Reliant Mission at U of Michigan – pray for Kyle as he continues to serve as a lead pastor of the ministry, especially in the preaching of the Word.
- ✠ Bowling Green – Robert & Jenni McMahan – Cru at BGSU – Praising God for the completion of their needed support, meaning they are on campus now! Pray for their outreach to new and returning students, that their initial contacts and conversations yield fruit in the student's lives.
- ✠ Brazil – Tony & Leila Frank – pray for them as they mourn the passing of Leila's father; pray for their continued health and stamina as they minister in their primary ministries – the local church, the Bible College, and the student outreach program.
- ✠ Chicago – Jon & Rachel Doriot – Pioneers – pray for their ministry and family life.
- ✠ China – Cheryl Wyse – Agape Family Life House (AFLH) – pray that her recent time in China provided administrative and ministry organization, that the house parents continue to enjoy their ministry, and for the children of the house, that their physical and spiritual needs are met.
- ✠ Columbus – Whitney Varnau – She Has A Name (SHAN) – Whitney is now full time with SHAN, an anti-human trafficking ministry. Pray for her staff transition, for the college students who will be volunteering with her at SHAN, and for her as she balances life and ministry.
- ✠ Columbus – Matt & Paige Waanders – Cru at Ohio State – pray God would continue to grow and equip student leaders, pray for the one year ministry team sent to Brazil.
- ✠ Dominican Republic – Jason & Becky Suon – Freedom International – Praising God for how He opens the hearts of people – a woman who had steadfastly refused to hear and respond, suddenly contacted Becky and has now come to Christ! Pray for the people who attended a recent drama presentation, that the Gospel would continue to work upon their hearts.
- ✠ India – Dr. Shobha Arole & Mr. Ravi Arole – CRHP Jamkhed – pray their new initiatives in community-based diabetes prevention and management provide further health and stability; pray for the success of their new Etsy Page to sell Helping Hands products, generating further funding for their ministries; pray for their new Elon University Fellow for 2018-2019.
- ✠ Kenya – Larry & Linda Rupp – Kajiado Children's Home – Praising God for the completion of a multi-purpose building on campus! Pray for the expanded tutoring program for all primary grades, that each child will be blessed through this additional assistance. Pray for the children.
- ✠ Thailand – Kinsey Smith – CRU at Grace International School – continue to pray for peace and joy as the chaotic transition into a new culture and teaching career unfolds; pray for strong community and collaboration with Cru and the teaching team; pray that her students would grow in understanding of what it is to walk with Jesus.
- ✠ Toledo – Matt Pardi – Reliant Mission at U of Toledo – pray for the ministry initiatives of the fall semester, thanking the Lord for the new interactions with students.

Prayer Joys, Concerns, Requests - Please Pray For:

- Tom & Megan, serving on the islands, where political and civil unrest has erupted, with fighting between civilians and government – pray for peace and justice, for the safety of their team and families, and that civil discussions can occur to end this tragic time.
- Bob DeVries, a patient at Bryan Hospital, being treated for a Cdiff infection.
- Roger Merillat, who had outpatient surgery on Thursday.
- Jeremy Neuenschwander, working through medical appointments to determine best course of action for treatment of cancer issues.
- Lois Heer, who is in hospice care at Fairlawn, room #122.
- Brenden Bostelman, 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, at Bolling AFB, DC (Air Force) (Granddaughter of Nan Neill).
- Donny Richardson, at Camp Lejeune, North Carolina (Marines) (Son of Shannon & Yesi).
- Joshua Richardson, left for Marine boot camp on August 6th (Son of Shannon & Yesi)
- Steve Schink, 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.

Today's Worship Servants

Acolytes	(8:00) Gavin Walker	(10:30) Blake Grime
Ushers	(Head) Jay Pursel	
	(8:00) Jim Grieser	
	(10:30) Pursel Family, Craig & Jenny Grieser	
Nursery Staff	(10:30) Chris & Amy Baden	(Oct. 28) Ryan & Devin Bernath
Sound Tech	(Both) James Grime	
Video Tech	(Both) Dean Sauder	
Computer Tech	(Both) Brian Roth	
Children's Moment	(Both) JoAnn Short	
Song/Worship Leader	(Both) Ed Ruffer	
Accompanist	(Both) Lynne Christman	

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