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Come Hear the Reason we're Inspired to Serve Together



BASIC's New Year's Eve Party

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! First Sunday after Epiphany

Lighting of the Altar Candles

Welcome, Scripture and Prayer

Jeremiah 31:7-14 (P. 873)
“Let All Things Now Living”

Prelude

†Call to Worship

L: The Word of God has been with us from the start!

P: Praise the Lord!

L: The Word of God is with us even now!

P: Praise the Lord!

L: May the Lord's grace and peace be with us in the start of this New Year!

P: Amen!

†Hymn – #568

“God of the Ages”

†Passing the Peace of Christ

Children's Message

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

Prayer of Dedication and Sharing Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

“God Will Take Care of You”

Scripture Reading

John 1:1-18 (p. 1049)

Sermon Hymn – #166

“We Three Kings”

Sermon

“What Did God Bring?”

Sacrament of Communion

Words of Invitation

Call to Confession and Unison Prayer of Confession – *Lord, in this prayer, I admit I can hold to divisions and differences between myself and others. As I come to the table, enable me to see that we have much in common – belief and trust in Jesus, a desire to worship, a longing to be forgiven and to be made new through Christ. May your grace cleanse me and make me new, as I confess and worship you, Lord Jesus. Amen*

Words of Assurance

Words of Institution and Prayer of Blessing

Sharing of the Elements

Communion Blessing

†Closing Hymn – #567, vs. 1 & 2

†Spoken Benediction

†Benediction in Song – #567, vs. 3

†Postlude

“Another Year Is Dawning”

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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 at the south end of our building or our website 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 morning and afternoon, and Mon/Wed/Fri morning and afternoon; and run from September thru May. More information is available at www.stjohnsarchbold.org.

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.

This Week’s Congregational Prayer:

(These weekly prayers are given for unity and prayer guidance. Unity in the hope that everyone will offer this prayer daily throughout the week. Prayer guidance in the intent to assist everyone in knowing how and what to pray.) Lord of light and love, as I physically bow my head in recognition of your Lordship, I also bow my heart in recognition of my need for your grace and love in my life. Thank you for sending your son Jesus, to be the light of the world, a world that is filled with much darkness. Thank you for your faithfulness to me, especially when I don’t even feel worthy. I ask that you strengthen my resolve to read and know your Word more fully, that I would know you more fully. I offer this prayer in humility and honor, praising you and thanking you. In Jesus’ name. Amen.

Sacrament of Communion

- We practice open communion, meaning that all adults and older youth who profess Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior are invited to commune.
- Gluten-free bread is served in the trays of the bread.
- Grape juice is served in the trays of the cup.
- At 8:00 worship, communicants will be invited to come forward in groups, forming a semicircle in front of the chancel steps. Communicants will first be served the bread and invited to partake, then will be served the cup and invited to partake. Once all in each group have been served, a blessing will be offered and communicants may return to their seats down the side aisles.
- At 10:30 worship, communicants will be served in the pews, partaking at one time as led by the pastors.

January Mission-A-Month

Church World Service Emergency Clean Up Kits:

Emergency Cleanup Kits, or Cleanup Buckets, provided by Church World Service are our January Mission-A-Month. The supplies provided in these cleanup kits enable people to begin the overwhelming job of cleaning up after a flood, hurricane, tornado, or other disaster here in the United States.

Monetary donations given not only cover the cost of the supplies to assemble these emergency kits, but also cover sorting, packing, insurance and shipping costs to get the kits to their final destination. Please use your weekly offering envelopes for your donations and mark them M-A-M or CWS Kits. A list of needed items is posted across from the office.

Sunday Worship Service Volunteers Needed!!

Please check the bulletin board to sign up for 10:30 worship service head usher, ushers, greeters for 2019. A list of duties/responsibilities for ushers and greeters is posted next to each sign up sheet (contact the church office if you would like a printed or digital copy to have). Sound Techs, Easy Worship Techs and Video Techs are also in high demand! If interested, please talk with Pastor Erich, James Grime and/or Kelly Ducey.



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

LOGOS / JYF : Will resume on Wednesday, January 9, 2019.

SYF : Resumed on Wednesday, January 2, 2019.

Senior High Sunday School: Our lesson comes from Exodus 7-12, where we see God freeing His people. Even the Israelites needed to witness the plagues to have faith that God did indeed hear them and was coming to their rescue.

WEEK OF JAN. 6 AT ST. JOHN'S CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Sun	8:00AM	Worship Service (Sanctuary)
	9:15AM	Confirmation / Faith Village / Sunday School
	10:30AM	Worship Service (Sanctuary)
	12:00PM	Preschool Open House for SJCC Congregation
	6:00PM	Seeker's (Fireside Room)
Mon	11:00AM	Staff Meeting (Office Closed)
	6:30PM	Stephen Ministry Training (Chapel)
	7:30PM	Praise Band Practice
Tues	7:00PM	Preschool Open House for Public
	9:15AM	Bible Study (Fireside Room)
	1:30PM	Bingo@ Fairlawn
	3:30PM	Group Piano Lessons (Chapel/Fireside Room)
	4:00PM	Laundry Buddy Ministry
Wed	5:00PM	Community Meal (St. John's Meal Team Hosting)
	7:00PM	Property Committee (Fireside Room)
	8:30AM	Moms in Prayer (Classroom Upstairs)
	9:00AM	Bible Study at West Haven
	5:50PM	LOGOS/JYF
Thurs	7:00PM	Life Planning (Chapel)
	7:00PM	Discernment Team (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

Discovery[®] is a daily Bible reading guide that provides clear Bible explanation, prayers and relevant application questions. You can access the guide online at <http://www.scripture-reunion.org/Bible%20Reading/Discovery>. Below is the list of daily readings for this week:

January 7 - Amid A Pack of Lies.....	Acts 21:27-36
January 8 - In Their Language	Acts 21:37-22:5
January 9 - In Jerusalem	Acts 22:6-2
January 10 - As A Roman Citizen	Acts 22:22-29
January 11 - To The Sanhedrin.....	Acts 22:30-23:11
January 12 - To Save Paul's Life.....	Acts 23:12-22
January 13 - Forever Love.....	Psalms 136

2019 Offering Envelopes – Please note there are still a few 2019 offering envelopes to be picked up on a table in the sanctuary narthex (arranged alphabetically by last name). If you did not find a box with your name on it and you would like offering envelopes, please contact the church office and a box will be given to you.

Annual Congregational Meeting – January 20th, 2019

The Sunday morning schedule on January 20th will be as follows:

9:00am Sunday School Hour

10:00am Worship

11:15am Annual Meeting (with child care provided for preschool through sixth grade)

12:15pm Lunch served by the SYF

The nomination ballot was published in the January Visitor. Meeting packets will be available for pick up on Sunday, January 13th.

Junior Church – January 20th, 2019

This Sunday morning children's ministry is being resumed, thanks to the willingness of Josie Grieser, Emily Hines and Kelsey Wyse, who on their own expressed desire to lead this ministry. Junior Church will occur during the 10:30am service, on Sunday's in which the LOGOS Worship Skills will sing or play in worship (the 3rd Sunday of January, February, March and April). Following the children's moment and the Junior Choir singing or the Bell and Chime choirs playing, our 4 year olds thru 2nd graders will be released to the narthex, where they will meet up with Josie, Emily and Kelsey. The children will hear a Bible story, create a craft, play a game tied to the lesson, and watch a video that underscores the lesson

2018 Giving Statements

Giving statements will be printed and on a table in the sanctuary narthex next Sunday, January 13th. Please contact the church office if you would like a digital copy forwarded to you via e-mail.



Preschool Registration

Registration for the 2019-2020 school year began on January 1, 2019. Go to www.stjohnsarchbold.org and click on the "preschool" tab to register. Your child must turn 3 by August 1, 2019 and be potty trained by the time school starts in the fall.

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.
- ✚ Akron – David Hench – Reliant at Akron University – serving since 2018, David grew up in Wauseon, graduated from Akron U in 2017, and he married Blair last summer. David is focused on discipling students and is involved in weekly Bible studies and worship services.
- ✚ Ann Arbor – Kyle Chase – Reliant Mission at University of Michigan – serving since 2008, Kyle is married to Melissa, and they have two sons, Jaden and Brennan. Kyle serves as pastor of New Life Church and has oversight and discipleship of North Campus students and staff as well as oversight of the teaching ministry at New Life Church.
- ✚ Bowling Green – Robert & Jenni McMahan – Cru at BGSU – originally from Napoleon, Robert & Jenni started serving in September of 2018 and continue to build relationships with other staff and with students.
- ✚ Brazil – Tony & Leila Frank – Tony is originally from Stryker, and 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 college campus, and translation work.
- ✚ 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 they train believers in discipleship, reach out to lost Muslims, and network broadly with like-minded people.
- ✚ Columbus – Matt & Paige Waanders – Cru at Ohio State University – Paige is a granddaughter of Lenny & Jean Stamm, and after serving a year in Brazil, they returned to Cru at OSU in July of 2017. Matt continues to oversee aspects of Cru’s ministry in Brazil and the two of them serve at OSU, as well as at Columbus State University.
- ✚ Dominican Republic – Jason & Becky Suon – Freedom International – from the Pettisville area, they started serving 2017. Jason works on the maintenance staff 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 – Shobha and Ravi are the children of the CRHP founders, who we’ve partnered with since 1967. CRHP includes a hospital, preschool, training center, teaching farm, prosthetic leg workshop and much more, all the while 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 St. John’s, and he and Linda helped found the home in the early 1990’s. The home serves 60 to 90 orphans, providing lodging, meals, education, faith and a loving family environment.
- ✚ Thailand – Kinsey Smith – Cru at Grace International School – she is in her first of two years, teaching 11th grade U.S. literature, and ministering to students anyway she can.
- ✚ Toledo – Matt Pardi – Reliant Mission at University 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. Matt serves as pastor and network director, at both Toledo and Bowling Green State University.

Prayer Joys, Concerns, Requests - Please Pray For:

- Congratulations to Alex & Jenny Young, on the birth of their daughter, Joanna Joy. Joanna was born on Thursday afternoon at FCHC.
- Kent Short, who had a heart cath on Thursday afternoon at St. Luke's.
- Rich Lesniak, who is home recovering from shoulder surgery that was done on January 2nd.
- John Graber, who had his gallbladder removed on January 1st. He came home on the 2nd.
- Sue Grieser, who had bowel resection surgery on December 27th, which went well.
- Callie Ruffer, who will have heart surgery on January 7th as all pretests went very well.
- Jeremy Neuenschwander, who had a biopsy done on December 26th and awaits results.
- 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).
- David Richardson, enlisted in the Marines, to boot camp on 2/25 (Son of Shannon & Yesi).
- Donny Richardson, in the Marines (Son of Shannon & Yesi).
- Joshua Richardson, in the Marines (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) Cahle Roth	(10:30) Krayton Kern
Ushers	(Head) Steve Walker	
	(10:30) Eric & Sarah Nafziger, Jon & Jan Lindsay	
	(8:00) Ron & Karen Rice	
Nursery Staff	(10:30) Vond & Mary Hall	(Jan. 13) Bo & Bri Krukowski
Sound Tech	(8:00) Angie Neuenschwander	(10:30) James Grime
Video Tech	(10:30) Dean Sauder	
Song Leader	(Both) Andrew Rohrs	
Worship Leader	(Both) Tammy Nofziger	
Computer Tech	(Both) Brian Roth	
Accompanist	(Both) Lynne Christman	

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