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Come Hear the Reason we're Inspired to Serve Together



Happy Independence Day!

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.

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.

Inscribed on the Tower Bells – "To the Glory of God, and for the Calling of the Faithful to Worship."

Welcome and Announcements

Scripture and Prayer of Invocation

Colossians 1:21-23 (p. 1165)

Prelude

"As The Deer"

A time to center our thoughts, centering on Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, and our worship of him.

†Call to Worship

L: In our opening Scripture we read about a God who doesn't abandon sinners, but a God who loves and saves sinners.

P: We praise you, O Lord, for loving and saving us!

L: We read of a God who provides atonement.

P: We praise you, Lord Jesus, for the gift of your life, given so that our lives might be spared.

L: We read of a God who provides reconciliation.

P: We praise you, Father, for paying our debts and welcoming us back home with you.

L: We read of a God who provides us even with the gift of holiness.

P: We praise you, Holy Spirit, that perfection is not a prerequisite for us to come to you. Instead, we come to you just as we are, and in your great grace, you wash us

L: We read of a God who provides us even with the gift of holiness.

†(8:00) Hymn of Praise – #1

"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

†(10:30) Praise Songs

"Nobody Loves Me Like You"

"Step By Step"

Silent Prayers of Confession – Lord Jesus, when we look at you we see the true image of humanity: perfect in love for God and for others.

This week, I have fallen short of loving God first and foremost in these ways...

This week, I have fallen short of loving others in these ways...

Forgive us our sins, Lord, that we might again walk in fellowship with you and with others. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon: "If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness" (1 John 1:9).

†Passing the Peace of Christ

†Scripture Hymn – #272

“Thy Word”

†Scripture Reading

Hebrews 5:11 (p. 1187)

Children’s Message

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

Sermon

“Jesus the Great High Priest”

Sharing Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

“Trust and Obey”

†Doxology

†Prayer of Dedication

†Hymn of Response – #382

“Be Thou My Vision”

†Spoken Benediction

†Benediction in Song – #390, v. 1 & 5

“May the Mind of Christ, My Savior”

†Postlude

“Trust and Obey”



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 through 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 by our system for hearing aids with a “loop system” switch position.

July Mission-A-Month – Shepherd’s Circle

Congregational Prayer – Lord, we confess we don't always like pursuing maturity. Maturity means that we have to put laziness aside, and apply ourselves to what matters. Maturity means that we have to put self-indulgence aside, and think about how we can serve others and how we can bring you glory, O God. Maturity means that we have to put instant-gratification aside, and think not only about what we want in the moment, but also what will be best for us in the long run. Even though it isn't easy, we do see that it is better, O Lord. Holy Spirit, grant us what we need that we might not be stagnant in our life and love and faith, but that we might go on to maturity. We pray this according to God's gracious provision and the perfect name of Jesus our Lord. Amen.

Community Meal

The meals will return to SJCC for the months of July, August and September. We are looking for people to help with table set-up, serving and clean up. Most everyone has thoroughly enjoyed helping in this ministry – it's a blessed way to serve, and it's a wonderful way to meet people of the community. Contact Pastor Erich if you can help. Thank you!

Fireside Room – we've shared before that Katie Wyse is working through the sorting, organizing, filing and storing of the historical documents and artifacts of the church. She has reached a point where it will be beneficial to have the Fireside Room reserved Monday through Friday for her efforts, so please be aware that any meetings or studies that normally happen during the week will be held in the chapel during the month of July. Sunday school will still be held in the Fireside Room, but all other activities will be held in the chapel.

The big screen at The Skye Theater is changing! Gavin Walker, Reagan Rutledge and the BASIC Sunday School class will be featured the month of July for the "Why I Love St. John's" poster contest. Head to the movies and see St. John's art work at its best!"

Pastor Erich's Discernment and Planning Time – you might have read in the Visitor that during the weeks of July 8th through 12th and July 15th through 19th Pastor Erich will be focused on drafting short-term and long-term goals for our SJCC ministries. He will be sequestered in his office those days and spend his time isolated from the day to day ministry of the church. Pastor Alex and Kelly Stahl will be available throughout those two weeks for any pastoral or administrative needs. Pastor Erich is looking forward to this unique time of planning, and then seeking discussion and input from the Consistory, Committees and Congregation in the weeks to come.

WEEK OF July 7 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)
	4:00PM	Budget & Stewardship Committee (Chapel)
	6:30PM	Stephen Ministry Peer Supervision
Tues	9:15AM	Bible Study (Fireside Room)
	4:00PM	Laundry Buddy Ministry
	5:00pm	Community Meal
	7:00PM	Discernment Team (Chapel)
	7:00PM	Property Committee (Parlor)
Wed	7:00PM	Facility Committee (Chapel)
Thurs	7:00PM	Mission Committee (Chapel)
Sat	7:40AM	Men's Prayer Breakfast
Sun	8:00AM	Worship Service (Sanctuary)
	9:15AM	Confirmation / Faith Village / Sunday School
	4:00PM	Youth Praise Band Practice

Next Sunday – July 14

Sermon – “A Superior Priesthood” by Pastor Alex Young
Scripture – Psalm 34:1-8; Hebrews 7

Discovery Daily Devotional Guides – 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*. Below is the list of daily readings for this week:

July 8 - Why Do You Ask?.....	Matthew 6:1-12
July 9 - Messiah	Matthew 16:13-20
July 10 - Here's the Plan	Matthew 16:21-328
July 11 - The Big Reveal.....	Matthew 17:1-13
July 12 - Have Faith.....	Matthew 17:14-23
July 13 - Master of Strategy.....	Matthew 17:24-27
July 14 - The True King	Psalm 9

SERMON NOTES

“Going on to Maturity”
Hebrews 5:11-6:20

Monthly Spotlight on Missionaries SJCC Supports



Matt & Paige Waanders
Wilhelmus Levi (born 6/11/19)
CRU at Columbus State University and
Ohio State University

St. John's has supported Matt & Paige since early 2016. We were introduced to their ministry with CRU as Paige is the granddaughter of Jean & Lenny Stamm, and Paige attended various SJCC activities as she grew up in Archbold.

Cru offers spiritual guidance, resources and programs tailored for people from all cultures in every walk of life through many diverse outreaches, including:

- 2,300 campus ministries on U.S. college campuses
- City ministry serving in over 50 cities and partners with over 2,000 churches and agencies
- More than 4 million in 109 countries have participated in marriage and family life events
- The athletic ministry has outreaches in 64 countries, 225 campuses and 46 pro sports teams
- Ministry to military installations and communities in all 50 states as well as deployed units
- JESUS film has been shown in more than 1,500 languages and in every nation in the world

Recent Prayer Requests:

- Pray for Matt & Paige as they love and nurture their infant son, Wilhelmus (Will), and adjust to campus ministry as new parents!
- Praise God for the growth and change that He has brought about in many students at Columbus State and Ohio State
- Pray with them for the graduating seniors that they would continue to follow God and impact others for Him to the ends of the earth.
- Pray for staff and student leadership events being held this summer as plans are made for the 2019 Fall Semester.

Prayer Joys, Concerns, Requests - Please Pray For:

- TJ Rice, recovering from shoulder surgery on Monday, July 1.
- Mary Hall had hip surgery on June 28th and will be in recovery for several weeks.
- Velma Overmier is a patient at Fairlawn's Rupp Rehab.
- Vern Nemire is a rehab patient at Montpelier Hospital.
- Mert Kinsman is a patient at Fairlawn's Rupp Rehab.
- Shiela Short continues to recover at home.
- Sue Grieser will finish her 10th infusion next week and then will go through a month of radiation, followed up with quarterly or semi-annual checkups.
- Larry Rupp has decisions to make regarding any treatment of the cancer. Be praying for wisdom and peace as he continues to honor the Lord through his life.
- Brenden Bostelman, in Afghanistan (Army) (Grandson of Bill & Kathy).
- Kohl Collins, at Ft. Benning Georgia (Army) (Grandson of Nan Neill).
- Kyle Ducey, at Fort Gordon, Georgia (Navy) (Son of Kelly & Betsy).
- Jared Kuntz, Washington D.C. (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, at Camp Lejeune, North Carolina (Son of Shannon & Yesi).
- Joshua Richardson, at Camp Lejeune, North Carolina (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)	Cayle Roth	(10:30)	Tyler Wyse
Ushers	(Head)	Maggie Enderle		
	(10:30)	Brad & Susie Enderle, Ben & Sue Buehrer		
	(8:00)	Gary & Judy Sears		
Nursery Staff	(10:30)	Bo & Bri Krukowski	(July 14)	Matt & Kim Hines
Sound Tech	(Both)	James Grime		
Video Tech	(10:30)	Dean Sauder		
Computer Tech	(Both)	Brian Roth		
Worship Leader	(Both)	Tammy Nofziger		
Song Leader	(Both)	Andrew Rohrs		
Accompanist	(Both)	Buffy Riley		

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