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



*SYF at the FISH Pantry*

Welcome to



**“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!

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

Psalms 119:132-135 (p. 611)

Prelude

†(8:00)Hymn of Praise – #16

"We Praise Thee, O God, Our Redeemer"

†(10:30)Songs of Praise

"Faithful"  
"Build My Life"

†Passing the Peace of Christ

Spotlight on Ministry –Stephen Ministry

Prayer Hymn – #429

"Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying"

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

(10:30) LOGOS Hand Chime Choir

"Come Ye Thankful People Come"

Children's Message (Following message, Jr. Church for children 4 years old thru 5th grade)

(10:30) LOGOS Hand Bell Choir

"Lord, I Lift Your Name on High"

Scripture Reading

Ecclesiastes 3:1-8 (p. 659)

Sermon

"Footprints – A New Version"

Sharing Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

(10:30) "Where He Leads Me"

†The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

†Closing Hymn – insert

"I Danced in the Morning"

†Spoken Benediction

†Benediction in Song – insert

refrain of "I Danced in the Morning"

†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 at the south end of our building or our website 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 morning and afternoon, and Mon/Wed/Fri morning and afternoon; and run from September through May. More information is available at [www.stjohnsarchbold.org](http://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.

**Congregational Prayer** – I find delight in living under the mantle of your light, Lord. You illumine my path through the wisdom of your Word, and I know the truth of your grace being sufficient. Yet, as you know full well, I'm not always dancing with you. Too many times I get tired and fall down. Too many times I want to take over and lead. Forgive my self-indulgence, Lord. Thank you for restoring me through your grace, through your words of encouragement. In all the seasons of my days and my life, I offer my devotion and adoration to you, Lord. Amen.



The Altar arrangement is given in loving  
memory of Jim Redd.



## **Get Acquainted Luncheon - Today**

Visiting today? New to St. John's Christian Church? Want to find out more about this church and congregation? Pastor Erich invites you to a luncheon following the 10:30am service today. We'll enjoy a simple meal, table fellowship and get to know one another.

## **Pictorial Photos**

If you were planning on submitting a photo for the pictorial directory, please send or bring one to the office by Wednesday, November 20. Thank you!

## **Senior Citizens Dinner**

The Fellowship Committee would like to invite our senior citizens to a Christmas Dinner on December 10th, at 5:30 in the Chapel. Please sign up on the bulletin board (or contact the church office) if you plan to attend. We look forward to seeing you for an evening of good food and fun!

## **Sunday, November 24th – 1pm – Advent & Christmas Decorating**

“Hanging of the Greens” – We need many people to help decorate the exterior and interior of the church! All the decorations have to come down from the attic (many trips required) or in from the storage building. Several trees are set up and decorated – in the sanctuary, chapel, narthex and south porch. Evergreen roping and swags are hung and the chancel nativity scene is set-up. We could use 12 to 16 people to help with this festive activity.

## **Sunday, December 1st – 1pm – Advent Workshop**

Starting with singing Christmas carols in the chapel, we'll enjoy an afternoon of crafts, fellowship, snacks and worship! People of all ages will be able to select up to two of the following craft projects – Decorating (and snacking on) Christmas cookies; Advent wreaths, Advent calendars, Chrismon ornaments and Christmas cards. This Advent Workshop will be a blessed way to begin this year's Advent season! A sign-up sheet is on the hallway bulletin board so we make sure enough supplies are on hand!

## **Sunday, December 8th – 7:00pm – Evening Concert**

Siberian Solstice is a musical group from northwest Ohio providing Christmas music as originally performed by the nationally acclaimed "TRANS-SIBERIAN ORCHESTRA" (TSO). The music format of traditional Christmas music and other classical pieces with electronic keyboards, drums, and guitars is enjoyed by all age groups. Siberian Solstice has eight members on stage to accurately reproduce the TSO style and will perform for approximately 90 minutes. They present the program “An Angel's Gift” with music, song and light show! There will be free fill offering received for the support of their music ministry.

## **Women's Ensemble**

We are inviting women to come and join in a women's ensemble to sing during the Sermon In Music on December 8th. This should be a fun time of learning a song and enjoying time together. There will be copies of the music titled "Mary's Little Boy Child" in the office to look at and pick up. We will be rehearsing on Wed. November 20th at 7:15 and Wed. December 4th at 7:00. Please let Andrew Rohrs or Lynne Christman know if you are interested or have any questions. Come enjoy making music for the Lord with us.

## **Birthday Party for Jesus**

The Fellowship committee will be hosting a "Birthday Party for Jesus" celebration on Sunday, December 1st for the Faith Village and pre-school children during the Sunday School hour.

***November Mission-A-Month - Christmas Cheer***



## WEEK OF November 17 At St. JOHN'S CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Sun	8:00AM	Worship Service (Sanctuary)
	9:15AM	Confirmation / Faith Village / Sunday School
	10:30AM	Worship Service (Sanctuary)
	10:45AM	Jr. Church
	11:45AM	Get Acquainted Luncheon
	3:00PM	TGRM Chapel & Meal
Mon	11:00AM	Staff Meeting (Office Closed)
	6:15PM	Spiritual Council (Fireside Room)
	7:30PM	Consistory (Fireside Room)
Tues	7:15AM	YFC Bible Study (AMS)
	9:15AM	Bible Study (Fireside Room)
	5:00PM	Community Meal (Meal by Lockport Mennonite Church)
	7:00PM	CE Team (Fireside Room)
Wed	8:30AM	Mom's in Prayer (Upstairs Classroom)
	5:50PM	LOGOS/JYF
	7:00PM	SYF
	7:00PM	Orientation Session 3 (Erich's Office)
	7:15PM	Women's Ensemble Practice
	7:30PM	Chancel Choir
	8:00PM	JYF Handbells
Thurs	11:30AM	Third Thursday Luncheon
Sun	8:00AM	Worship Service (Sanctuary)
	9:15AM	Confirmation / Faith Village / Sunday School
	10:30AM	Worship Service (Sanctuary)
	12:30PM	Private Party (Parish Hall)
	1:00PM	Advent and Christmas Decorating
	6:00PM	Seeker's

### Next Sunday – November 24, 2019 - Thanksgiving Sunday

Sermon – “Focus on Following” by Erich Christman

Scripture – Psalm 23, Matthew 19:16-26

**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:

November 18 - To Be Humble.....	Matthew 23:1-12
November 19 - To Love.....	Matthew 23:13-24
November 20 - A Congruent Life.....	Matthew 23:25-36
November 21 - Mercy...and Judgement.....	Matthew 23:37-24:2
November 22 - Faithful...To The End.....	Matthew 24:3-14
November 23 - Suffering...And Hope.....	Matthew 24:15-25
November 24 - Praying in the Thick of It.....	Psalm 28

## SERMON NOTES

Scripture – Ecclesiastes 3:1-8

Sermon Title – “Footprints...A New Version”

Footprints...

The Book of Ecclesiastes

- Wisdom literature
- The words and thoughts of Solomon, whether written or spoken by him
- Defends the life of faith in a generous God
- Without God, neither wisdom nor pleasure allows for contentment
- Searched for meaning, meaningfulness of life

Ecclesiastes 2:24-26 – a believer’s life

Ecclesiastes 3:1-8

- Time – occasion or season
- The times of life cannot fully be known
- Psalm 31:15 – “My times are in your hands”
- Whole range of human activity
  
- Born/Die – most momentous times of life
- Plant/Uproot – Kill/Heal – Tear Down/Build – creative/destructive – good/evil
- Weep/Laugh – Mourn/Dance – human emotions, private/public
- Scatter/Gather – Embrace/Refrain – friendship and enmity
- Search/Give Up – Keep/Throw Away – possession, focus/resolutions concerning them
- Tear/Mend – varying activities of humans, creative/destructive
- Silent/Speak – Love/Hate – War/Peace – speech, affection, national endeavors

## **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.
- ✚ Dominican Republic – Daniel & Bethany Schrock – Freedom International – from the Pettisville/Wauseon area, started serving this year. Their children are Luke and Grace.
- ✚ 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 – Founded by Larry & Linda Rupp in 1994 – Kajiado Children's Home –The home serves 60 to 90 orphans, providing lodging, meals, education, faith and a loving family environment. Gaye List serves as the chairperson of the KCH Board.
- ✚ 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:

- Sue Ruffer will be off work for several weeks while she recovers from her recent fall.
- Toni Neuenschwander is recovering from surgery to repair a broken elbow.
- Jodi Beltz is recovering from surgery to repair a ligament in one of her fingers.
- Mary Ellen Johnson is a patient at Rupp Rehab following shoulder replacement surgery.
- Ella Yoder continues in the healing process following arm surgery.
- Audrey Smith is now a patient at the Defiance Area Inpatient Hospice Center.
- Mike Henry and the kidney donor – it's lengthy, slow process, so please pray for Mike's health and for patience and perseverance for both through the process.
- Brenden Bostelman, stationed in Alaska (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, in Marine boot camp (Son of Shannon & Yesi).
- Joshua Richardson, at Naval Air Station Pensacola, FL (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) Gavin Walker	(10:30) Cameron Yoder
Ushers	(Head) Steve Walker	
	(10:30) Matt & Kim Hines, Karen Walker, Michael Walker	
	(8:00) Gary & Judy Sears	
Nursery Staff	(10:30) Travis & Mindy Gruenhagen	(Nov. 24) Ryan & Jill Holdgreve
Sound Tech	(8:00) Angie Neuenschwander	(10:30) James Grime
Video Tech	(10:30) Dean Sauder	
Worship Leader	(Both) Brad Roth	
Computer Tech	(Both) Brian Roth	
Children's Message	(Both) Nancy Rupp	
Song Leader	(Both) Mike Meyer	
Accompanist	(Both) Buffy Riley	
Praise Band	(10:30) Chris Baden, Lynne Christman, Norm Fether, Sarah Nafziger, Emma Nafziger, Todd Nafziger and Buffy Riley	

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