

Prayer Joys, Concerns, Requests – Please Pray For:

- Stan Ruffer, as Maybelle Knoop died suddenly on Monday evening at their home.
- Marilyn Buehrer suffered a mini-stroke and will be in rehab at a care center for two weeks.
- Larry Woolace is in treatment due to the return of prostate cancer, which is now in the bone.
- Shirley Wyse has been hospitalized this past week and will enter rehab in a care center soon.
- Chloe Merillat had surgery on the 27th to replace the cancer-affected vertebrae in her back.
- Larry & Carol Robinson, as their daughter, Kim, recovers from a coma.
- Sue MacDonald, recovering from knee surgery on 8/11
- Karen Roth, dealing with an infection while in rehab at Montpelier Hospital.
- Brenden Bostelman, Fort Campbell, KY (Army) (Grandson of Bill & Kathy).
- Kali Collins, Washington, DC (Air Force) (Granddaughter of Nan Neill).
- Kohl Collins, Ft. Myers, VA (Army) (Grandson of Nan Neill).
- Kyle Ducey, Suffolk, Virginia (Navy) (Son of Kelly & Betsy).
- Jared Kuntz, Washington D.C. (Army) (Son of Keith & Kelli).
- Eric Magg, Ketchikan, Alaska (Coast Guard) (Son of Joe & Sheryl Short).
- Shayne & Taylor Pitts, Albuquerque, NM (Air Force) (Granddaughter of Nan Neill).
- David Richardson, Okinawa, Japan (Marines) (Son of Shannon & Yesi).
- Joshua Richardson, Kaneohe, Hawaii (Marines) (Son of Shannon & Yesi).
- Steve Schink, Chesterfield, MI (Coast Guard) (Son-in-Law of Ed & Julie Ruffer).
- AJ Short, Japan (Marines) (Son of Joe & Sheryl Short).

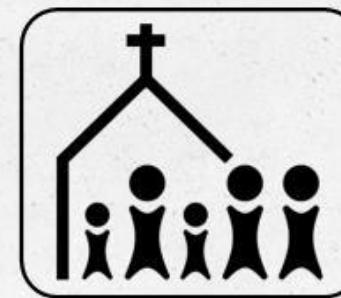
Discovery Daily Devotional Guides – available in the hallway literature rack (suggested donation \$6 each). The guide is online at <http://www.scriptureunion.org/Bible%20ReadingDiscovery>.

- August 31 – All Good Comes From God 2 Peter 1:1-11
- September 1 – Every-Timely Reminders..... 2 Peter 1:12-21
- September 2 – Ye Olde Fake News 2 Peter 2:1-10a
- September 3 – Lots to be Avoided! 2 Peter 2:10b-22
- September 4 – Think Wholesome..... 2 Peter 3:1-17
- September 5 – The “Time Lord” 2 Peter 3:8-18
- September 6 – Holy Brain-Training Psalm 68

Today's Worship Servants:

Accompanist	(Both)	Lynne Christman	
Song Leader	(Both)	Roger Zimmerman	
Acolyte	(8:00)	Joshua Reeb	
Ushers	(8:00)	Andrew Rohrs	(10:30) Mark & Tammy Nofziger
Easy Worship Tech	(Both)	Kelly Ducey	
Live Stream Tech	(10:30)	Jocelyn Walker	
Sound Tech	(8:00)	Angie Neuenschwander	(10:30) James Grime
Video Tech	(10:30)	Dean Sauder	

Welcome to



St. John's Christian Church

“The Church on the Corner Whose Cornerstone is Christ”

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| 8:00am | Worship in the Sanctuary |
| 8:30am | Pause for Praise Worship on 96.1 WMTR – Previous Week's Service |
| 10:30am | Worship in the Sanctuary |
| 10:30am | Live Stream Worship – use link on our website or Facebook Group |



Baptisms of Cameron Yoder, Ella Yoder, Cahle Roth

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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.

August 30, 2020

8:00 & 10:30 AM

Welcome to our Worship of God!
Confirmation Sunday

Lighting of the Altar Candles and Ringing of the Tower Bells

Welcome, Offertory Sentence & Announcements

Scripture and Prayer of Invocation

Psalm 145:1-7

“I will exalt you, my God the King; I will praise your name for ever and ever. ² Every day I will praise you and extol your name for ever and ever. ³ Great is the Lord and most worthy of praise; his greatness no one can fathom. ⁴ One generation will commend your works to another; they will tell of your mighty acts. ⁵ They will speak of the glorious splendor of your majesty, and I will meditate on your wonderful works. ⁶ They will tell of the power of your awesome works, and I will proclaim your great deeds. ⁷ They will celebrate your abundant goodness and joyfully sing of your righteousness.”

Prelude

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

*Hymns of Praise

#382, verses 1 & 4 – “Be Thou My Vision”
#275, verses 1 & 2 – “How Firm a Foundation”
(10:30) “The Heart of Worship”

Children’s Message

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

*(8:00) Hymn

#276, “Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation”

(10:30) Special Music

Sheila Whitlock & Brie Grime

Dulcimer Medley

“When the Saints Go Marching In” & “Oh, How I Love Jesus”
& “Jesus Keep Me Near the Cross”

Scripture Reading

Acts 26:9-29

Sermon

“Sharing the Gospel”

(10:30) The Rite of Confirmation

Invitation, Opening Sentences and Charge to Confirmands

Scripture Reading and The Apostle’s Creed

Promises and Vows of Confirmands

Memory Verses and the Laying on of Hands in Blessing

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Charge to Parents

Response of Parents: *We praise God for your step of faith in your decision to be confirmed into the church of Jesus Christ this morning. Let us strive to stand firm in faithfulness to the Lord. We promise to continue to encourage you in your faith, doing our part to help you remember your confession and vows of faith. May God bless you with wisdom and courage as you continue to deepen your faith and serve the Lord with gladness.*

Address to Confirmands

Unison Welcome by Congregation: *We are filled with joy for you as you have confessed your faith in Christ. We promise you our continuing friendship and prayers as we share in the hopes and ministries of the church of Jesus Christ. By the power of the Holy Spirit, may we continue to grow together in God’s knowledge and love, and be witnesses of Christ in the world. Amen.*

Greetings of Christian Love, Conferring of Certificates and Benediction

*Closing Hymn

#376, “I Have Decided to Follow Jesus”

*Spoken Benediction

*Benediction in Song

#244, “The Trees of the Field”

*Postlude

Congregational Prayer – Lord God, I want to thank you for the work of your Spirit upon and within the seven youth who were confirmed this week. May you continue to give them the courage, the strength and the grace to live out their vows of faithfulness. Guide me in being an example of discipleship for them and all others. Give me wisdom and perseverance in living out the welcome our congregation shared with the confirmands in our worship. In my belief, Lord, I praise you, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

Pastor Erich will be on vacation Monday, August 31st through Friday, September 11th, as he will be in Bozeman, Montana, with his mother. Having been diagnosed with a benign brain tumor in June, his mother has experienced further health concerns, including heart failure.

Having been hospitalized for a few days this past week, she is now in a care center for two weeks of respite therapy care, with most likely a move to either an assisted living unit or a full care unit to follow. One of Erich’s sister will join him in Bozeman on the 7th. Your prayers for Barbara Christman and her family would be appreciated, praying for peace and trust in the Lord.