



Couples Small Group

Come Hear the Reason we're Inspired to Serve Together



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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! Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

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, Announcements, Scripture and Prayer of Invocation

Philippians 4:7 (p. 1163)

Special Announcement – St. John's Christian Preschool

Prelude

"The Church's One Foundation"

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

† Call to Worship

L: Let it be with thanksgiving that we come before the Lord this morning.

P: **Yes, indeed, thankful that in Christ Jesus our hearts and minds are guarded.**

L: Guarded by and with the peace of God, a peace that is lasting and sufficient.

P: **With grateful hearts, trusting in the Lord, let us pour out our praise of him!**

† (8:00) Opening Hymn – #368

"All For Jesus"

† (10:30) Praise Songs

"Who You Say I Am" & "He Knows My Name"

† Personal Prayers of Confession – **Lord, as I bow my head in an attitude of reverence, I open my heart to you, asking you to hear my own confession...** (*offer your own words, confessing any sin from the past days, confessing any thought, word or action you know is contrary to God's will, trusting in the Lord's forgiveness.*)

† The Lord's Prayer (debts/debtors)

† Hymn Response – #345 Brown

"Open My Eyes That I May See"

† Passing the Peace of Christ

Children's Message

(10:30) Sacrament of Baptism – Alexandra Noel Walker, daughter of Corey & Jocelyn

The Apostles' Creed (inside back cover, red hymnal)

Scripture – Psalm 91:9-12

Promises of the Parents

Congregational Pledge: **You are baptizing your daughter, Alexandra, to the powerful and loving providence of God. We pledge to share in the Christian nurture of Alexandra and we will support, by our example and love, your efforts to provide a loving and caring home, where trust in God grows and Christ's way is chosen. Our prayers will be with you and for you. May our shared life and witness help make your task both joyful and fruitful, to the glory of Almighty God. Amen.**

Hymn - #202, vs. 1, 3, 5 - "Amazing Grace"

Pastoral Prayer

(10:30) Chancel Choir

“The Love of God”

Scripture Reading

John 10:7-10, Proverbs 3:5-6 (p. 984)

Sermon

“Me? I Have a Purpose?”

Sharing Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

“Be Still, My Soul”

Unison Prayer of Dedication – *Thankful that you give us life, Lord Jesus, we bring forth our offerings this morning. May they be used to help more sheep find pasture, entering through you in to the way of salvation. Amen.*

†(8:00) Closing Hymn – #116

“Take the Name of Jesus with You” (verses 1-2)

†Spoken Benediction

†(8:00) Benediction in Song –

“Take the Name of Jesus with You” (verse 3)

†(10:30) Closing Song

“Come Alive”

†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.

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

This Week's Congregational Prayer:

You are the Lord, our God, who brings us up out of the mud and mire of sin, bringing us up through the love and grace of Jesus Christ. You alone are the Lord and there is no other Savior. From the beginning to the end, from eternity to eternity, you alone are God. Thank you for creating me, for shaping me, for redeeming me. I pray for your will to be done. For yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Marriage Enrichment Weekend – March 22-24, 2019

Michindoh Conference Center, Hillsdale, Michigan

When was the last time you had a whole weekend with nothing drawing away from attention toward your spouse? Whether your desire is to celebrate the joy of marriage, or to simply experience a time away with your spouse, this weekend is for you! Michindoh is hosting another exciting weekend where you will be encouraged in your walk with the Lord, worship together with other couples, and have the opportunity to rejuvenate your marriage as you set aside a few days to just enjoy being together. You'll appreciate the uplifting messages brought by our guest speaker as we are again reminded of God's great design for marriage.

Additionally, you'll have the opportunity to enjoy a little healthy competition during free time on Saturday afternoon, when we will have multiple recreation opportunities available. If you would prefer to just relax alone as a couple, our natural campus setting will offer just the right mix of trails, scenery, and quiet spots to enjoy fellowship alone. This weekend will also offer a cozy wagon ride, a date night, and an extra-special, romantic dinner on Saturday evening. You won't want to miss this affordable mini-vacation together!

For more information, or to register, visit the Michindoh website – www.michindoh.com and click on the marriage enrichment retreat picture under “Highlights” or click on the “Programs” tab and then the “Adult” tab. You also may contact their reservations office at reservations@michindoh.com or by calling 517-523-3616.

Pastor Erich shares the above information for couples to consider, and if one or more couples are able to participate, he'd appreciate knowing so he could follow up afterwards and get feedback.



Senior High Sunday School: During the Sunday School hour we were busy preparing Super Bowl subs. Thank you to those who placed orders and helped support our SYF!

WEEK OF FEB. 3 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	Private Party (Parish Hall)
Mon	6:00PM	Seeker's (Stuckey's)
	11:00PM	Staff Meeting (Office Closed)
	5:00PM	Soccer Practice (Gym)
Tues	6:30PM	Stephen Ministry Training (Chapel)
	9:15AM	Bible Study (Fireside Room)
	10:30AM	Pastors Meeting Office)
Wed	5:00PM	Community Meal (SJCC/AAMA Hosting)
	7:00PM	Capital Campaign (Fireside Room)
	8:30AM	Moms in Prayer (Classroom Upstairs)
Thurs	5:50PM	LOGOS/JYF
	7:00PM	SYF (Youth Room)
	6:00PM	6th Grade Basketball
Fri	6:00PM	Preschool Mom's Night
	7:00PM	Mission Committee (Fireside Room)
	5:00PM	Soccer Practice (Gym)
Sat		Back Bay Mission Trip
	7:40AM	Men's Prayer Breakfast (Chapel)
Sun	9:00AM	Private Party (Parish Hall)
	8:00AM	Worship Service (Sanctuary)
	9:15AM	Confirmation / Faith Village / Sunday School
	10:30AM	Worship Service (Sanctuary)
	3:00PM	Out of Box Experience - FISH
	6:00PM	Couples Small Group (SYF Room)

Next Sunday – February 10

Sermon – “Thy Will” by Pastor Alex Young

Scripture – Psalm 10:1-4; Luke 13:1-9

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:

February 4 - End Well	2 Samuel 19:31-43
February 5 - The Pursuit of Wisdom	2 Samuel 20:1-26
February 6 - Sing When You're Winning?	2 Samuel 22:1-30
February 7 - Counting Your Steps	2 Samuel 22:31-51
February 8 - Finishing Well	2 Samuel 23:1-7
February 9 - Counting the Cost	2 Samuel 24:1-25
February 10 - I'm Kept	Psalm 140

St. John's Christian Preschool – Volunteer Substitutes Needed

St John's Christian Preschool is looking for fun, energetic, and compassionate volunteers to help substitute in our Preschool Room in the absence of either Mrs. MacDonald or Mrs. Wyse.

Our faithful leaders have created a fun learning atmosphere for young children ages 3-5, and want you to help team up with other volunteers that have the same drive to help teach in the classroom. Don't worry! A teaching license is not required!

Volunteers must have the following:

- * Be 18 years old or older
- * Have a high school diploma/GED
- * There are forms and some trainings that will need to be completed, which is some thing we will be helping you along the way with.

You may be asking yourself "What's in it for me?"

Service

What better way to serve your church family and community than to take a few days a month to help aide in the classroom. As a substitute, you will help follow the directions of the lead teacher that day, whether it be Mrs. MacDonald or Mrs. Wyse.

Positive Impact on Young Children

Our preschool children are so impressionable at this point in their lives. The positive impact that you can show them through the love of learning about Jesus, and the cool things at the sand table, are a positive light that you can shine on them.

If you are asking yourself if you can give a day or a few days a month to volunteer in our preschool room, please consider! This may not only have a positive impact on our students, but also on you.

The Christian Preschool Board and staff would like to thank all of you that have made efforts to donate to our preschool. Whether that is with school supplies or monetary donations, they are a blessing. If you feel called today or in the coming weeks, please consider donating to the St. John's Preschool to assist us with supplies or simply volunteering your time in the classroom for a fun experience!



February Mission-A-Month
FISH Food Pantry

With the Archbold FISH Food Pantry as our February Mission-A-Month, we are offering the "Out of Box Experience" once again! The congregation is invited to gather at the church on February 10 at 3PM to break into teams and pool money together to stock the shelves at the FISH Food Pantry. After shopping at local stores for items, the group delivers their purchases to the pantry. Come join us for an enjoyable afternoon of learning how the FISH food pantry works, as well as helping our local neighbors in need!!

Praying for Missionaries – From Wycliffe

PRAY FOR OPEN DOORS – “Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful. And pray for us, too, that God may open a door for our message.” Colossians 4:2–3a (NIV)

- Open doors include more than just access to nations and people groups. Individuals’ hearts also need to be open and receptive to God’s truth.
- Pray ...
 - That God will open doors of ministry, blessing partnerships and friendships.
 - That those who serve will be led by the Holy Spirit and recognize open door opportunities.
 - That God will lead his people past barriers to hearts ready to receive his Word.

PRAY FOR PROTECTION – “Pray, too, that we will be rescued from wicked and evil people, for not everyone is a believer.” 2 Thessalonians 3:2 (NLT)

- In some countries, missionaries may be exposed to the possibility of danger and personal harm. Opposition to the gospel may include hatred and violence.
- Pray ...
 - That God will keep missionaries safe.
 - That God will change the hearts of those who are resistant to his Word.

PRAY FOR TRAVEL – “And then he told them, “Go into all the world and preach the Good News to everyone.”” Mark 16:15 (NLT)

- Many missionaries travel frequently, both nationally and internationally. Their modes of transportation may vary from airplanes to buses, to canoes and motorbikes, and everything in between.
- Pray ...
 - For required permissions to be granted for travel (visas and passports) and for necessary funds for tickets and fees.
 - For protection and provision during travel.
 - For God’s grace and favor when challenges or obstacles appear on any journey.

PRAY FOR REFRESHMENT – “Then Jesus said, “Come to me, all of you who are weary and carry heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you. Let me teach you, because I am humble and gentle at heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy to bear, and the burden I give you is light.”” Matthew 11:28–30 (NLT)

- Missionaries deal with many of the same stresses you face in life, like overwhelming workloads, conflicts in relationships and financial uncertainties. Often, struggling alone.
- Pray ...
 - That God will provide opportunities for missionaries in isolated areas to spend time with other believers.
 - That God will provide times of peace and relaxation to refresh his workers.

Prayer Joys, Concerns, Requests - Please Pray For:

- Brayden Hall's second surgery on his shoulder went well this past week.
- Sandi Newland had cancer related surgery at the Cleveland Clinic on Wednesday and all went well.
- Ryan Christman had bowel resection surgery Tuesday at the OSU hospital.
- Jeremy Neuenschwander, who continues to be treated for cancer.
- Brenden Bostelman, now in Afghanistan (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, reports to boot camp on 2/25 (Son of Shannon & Yesi)
- Donny Richardson, at Camp Lejeune, North Carolina (Marines) (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.



We celebrate with Corey & Jocelyn Walker today as their daughter, Alexandra Noel Walker, is baptized. Allie was born on November 19, 2018. Grandparents are Mike & Colleen Mankowski and David & Karen Walker, great-grandparents include Dencel & Phyllis Miller, Carolyn Walker, Lee Mankowski and John & Ann Mackley, and sponsors are Zack & Paige Grosjean.



Today's Worship Servants

Acolytes	(8:00) Jack Hurst	(10:30) Blake Grime
Ushers	(Head) Greg Walker	
	(10:30) Mark & Tammy Nofziger, Bev Beaverson, Marilyn Baron	
	(8:00) Tim Beck, Mark Beltz	
Nursery Staff	(10:30) Travis & Mindy Gruenhagen (Feb. 10)	Chris & Amy Baden
Sound Tech	(8:00) Angie Neuenschwander	(10:30) James Grime
Video Tech	(10:30) Dean Sauder	
Song Leader	(Both) Elaine Winzeler	
Worship Leader	(Both) Jan Lindsay	
Computer Tech	(Both) Brian Roth	
Accompanist	(Both) Lynne Christman	
Praise Band	(10:30) Chris Baden, Norm Fether, Emma & Sarah Nafziger, Todd Nafziger, Buffy Riley	