



# Welcome to St. John's Christian Church

"The Church on the Corner Whose Cornerstone is Christ"

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



*\*Support the Archbold FISH Food Pantry throughout the month of February.  
See page 5 for details and a list of most-needed items.*

*We are a community of faith founded upon God's Holy Word,  
preaching salvation through believing in Christ as our Savior.  
We seek to live in God's truth, being obedient to His Word and following in His ways.*

February 7, 2021

8:00AM & 10:30AM

**Welcome to our Worship of God!  
Fifth Sunday after Epiphany**

Ringing of the Tower Bells

Welcome and Announcements

Mission-A-Month - Archbold FISH Pantry

Missy Warncke

Prelude

Scripture and Prayer of Invocation

Isaiah 40:28-31

†(8:00) Hymns

#584, "It Is Good to Sing Thy Praises"  
#68, "There's a Wideness in God's Mercy"

†(10:30) Songs

"Everlasting God"  
"The Power of Your Love"

†The Apostles' Creed

†The Gloria Patri

Children's Message

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

Scripture Reading

Mark 1:29-39, 1 Corinthians 9:16-23

Sermon

"Knowing Who Jesus Is"

†Hymn

#508, "I Will Sing the Wondrous Story"

†Spoken Benediction

†Benediction in Song

#601, "Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing"

†Postlude

## Scripture Readings

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**Isaiah 40:28-31** Do you not know? Have you not heard? The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He will not grow tired or weary, and his understanding no one can fathom. <sup>29</sup> He gives strength to the weary and increases the power of the weak. <sup>30</sup> Even youths grow tired and weary, and young men stumble and fall; <sup>31</sup> but those who hope in the LORD will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint.

**Mark 1:29-39** As soon as they left the synagogue, they went with James and John to the home of Simon and Andrew. <sup>30</sup> Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they told Jesus about her. <sup>31</sup> So he went to her, took her hand and helped her up. The fever left her and she began to wait on them. <sup>32</sup> That evening after sunset the people brought to Jesus all the sick and demon-possessed. <sup>33</sup> The whole town gathered at the door, <sup>34</sup> and Jesus healed many who had various diseases. He also drove out many demons, but he would not let the demons speak because they knew who he was. <sup>35</sup> Very early in the morning, while it was still dark, Jesus got up, left the house and went off to a solitary place, where he prayed. <sup>36</sup> Simon and his companions went to look for him, <sup>37</sup> and when they found him, they exclaimed: "Everyone is looking for you!" <sup>38</sup> Jesus replied, "Let us go somewhere else-- to the nearby villages-- so I can

preach there also. That is why I have come." <sup>39</sup> So he traveled throughout Galilee, preaching in their synagogues and driving out demons.

**1 Corinthians 9:16-23** Yet when I preach the gospel, I cannot boast, for I am compelled to preach. Woe to me if I do not preach the gospel! <sup>17</sup> If I preach voluntarily, I have a reward; if not voluntarily, I am simply discharging the trust committed to me. <sup>18</sup> What then is my reward? Just this: that in preaching the gospel I may offer it free of charge, and so not make use of my rights in preaching it. <sup>19</sup> Though I am free and belong to no man, I make myself a slave to everyone, to win as many as possible. <sup>20</sup> To the Jews I became like a Jew, to win the Jews. To those under the law I became like one under the law (though I myself am not under the law), so as to win those under the law. <sup>21</sup> To those not having the law I became like one not having the law (though I am not free from God's law but am under Christ's law), so as to win those not having the law. <sup>22</sup> To the weak I became weak, to win the weak. I have become all things to all men so that by all possible means I might save some. <sup>23</sup> I do all this for the sake of the gospel, that I may share in its blessings.

## Sermon Notes

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Sermon "Knowing Who Jesus Is"

Scripture Mark 1:29-39, 1 Corinthians 9:16-23 (Revised Common Lectionary Reading)

### Mark 1 - The Setting

1. A Sabbath day
2. Home of Simon and Andrew
3. After sunset - Sabbath day was over
4. At the door
5. Next morning - a solitary place
6. Throughout Galilee

### The Characters

1. Jesus, Simon, Andrew, James, John
2. Simon's mother-in-law
3. People - sick and demon-possessed

### Mark 1 - Focal Points

1. Healing ministry of Jesus
2. Prayer time for Jesus
3. I can preach - that is why I have come

### 1 Corinthians 9 - Focal Points

1. Compelled to preach, preach the gospel
2. To win as many as possible
3. Become all things to all men - to save some

### Applications

1. Jesus follows through on his words with action, solidifies the faith of his disciples, and draws crowds to hear the good news of the gospel.
2. After an active day, Jesus recharges himself through solitude and prayer.
3. While the disciples expected Jesus to respond to everyone who is looking for him, Jesus has his own agenda: to preach, to reach more people.
4. Paul had no choice but to preach, for God had called him to preach.
5. Paul gave up his own preferences in order to serve others.

## **February Mission-A-Month: Archbold FISH Food Pantry**

St. John's will collect food and personal care items as well as monetary donations in support of the Archbold FISH Food pantry throughout the month of February. Items currently in greater need at the pantry include mandarin oranges, canola oil, sugar, multi-purpose cleaner, dish soap, 2-in-1 shampoo, and deodorant. Food and personal care items can be dropped off to the large white box outside of the Chapel and monetary donations can be made using your weekly offering envelopes or by going to [stjohnschristian-church.breezechms.com/give/online](http://stjohnschristian-church.breezechms.com/give/online).

## **Announcements:**

- ◆ Easter Flower orders can be placed between now and March 7th. Selections include the usual variety of lilies, tulips, hyacinths, daffodils, and mums at \$10 each (\$10.50 if paying online). A hard copy order form is located on the bulletin board outside of the church office and an online order form can be found by going to [www.stjohnsarchbold.org/congregation](http://www.stjohnsarchbold.org/congregation).
- ◆ Live Stream Tech Needed: The Sunday morning Live Stream Team is in need of one additional tech to help with worship services during the months of April through July. If interested and available, please contact Jocelyn in the church office at 419-446-2545 or via text message at 419-575-4218.

## **Discovery Daily Devotional Guides**

Discover Daily Devotional Guides are available in the hallway literature rack in the narthex (suggested donation \$6 each). You can also access the guide online at <https://scriptureunion.org/discovery/>. Below is the list of daily readings for this week:

February 7 – David Will Rule Forever.....	Psalm 89
February 8 – Best Boat to be In.....	Mark 4:35-41
February 9 – Swine!.....	Mark 5:1-20
February 10 – The Good Break-in.....	Mark 5:21-34
February 11 – In the Face of Death.....	Mark 5:35-43
February 12 – No Thanks!.....	Mark 6:1-6a
February 13 – Totally Inadequate.....	Mark 6:6b-13

## **Next Sunday, February 14, 2021: Transfiguration Sunday**

Scriptures – Psalm 50:1-6, Mark 9:2-9, 2 Corinthians 4:3-6

Sermon – “Listening, Attentively”

Special Music - Adam Swisher and Jocelyn Walker - “The Blessing”

## Welcome!

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### Guests and Visitors

Welcome to SJCC! We are so glad you have chosen to join us as we worship the Lord together. We hope you feel God's love in a new, refreshing way. You can learn more about our church by visiting the "New to SJCC" page on our website at [www.stjohnsarchbold.org/newtosjcc](http://www.stjohnsarchbold.org/newtosjcc) or by picking up a copy of "Getting to Know St. John's Christian Church: Visitor Brochure" at the literature rack near the office.

### Mother's Room/Diaper Changing Station/Nursery Care

We have a Mother's Room located near our sanctuary, currently limited to one family at a time. Nursery care for infants and pre-kindergarten children is currently suspended. A diaper changing station is located in the Mother's Room. We kindly ask you to sanitize items after use (i.e. changing pad, toys, etc.) using the wipes provided as a respectful gesture to other families with small children in need of the room.

**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.

### Week of February 7 at St. John's Christian Church

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Sun	8:00AM	Worship (Sanctuary)
	8:30AM	Pause for Praise (96.1 WMTR)
	9:15AM	B.A.S.I.C./Forerunners, Women's Class
	10:30AM	Worship (Sanctuary and YouTube Live)
Mon	11:00AM	Staff Meeting (Office Closed)
	6:30PM	Stephen Ministry Peer Supervision (Fireside Room)
Tue	9:15AM	Bible Study (Fireside Room)
	7:00PM	Property Committee (Fireside Room)
	7:00PM	Christian Preschool Board (Zoom)
Wed	8:30AM	Moms in Prayer (Fireside Room)
	7:00PM	Men's Ministry (Chapel)
Sat	7:40AM	Men's Prayer Breakfast
Sun	8:00AM	Worship (Sanctuary)
	8:30AM	Pause for Praise (96.1 WMTR)
	9:15AM	B.A.S.I.C./Forerunners, Women's Class
	10:30AM	Worship (Sanctuary and YouTube Live)
	6:00PM	Seekers (TBD)

## **Congregational Prayer**

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Holy and sustaining God, we give thanks for all the blessings of this life. We give thanks for the lessons learned from your Word. Help us take those lessons in, that we are prepared to hear when you call and see where you lead. May we respond to people, to their needs and to their hurts and fears. Lord, shower your peace upon those who are suffering or struggling or living in fear. Compel us to “preach” your gospel in ways that connect with people, ways that cause them to turn to you. Thank you for the preaching and healing ways of Jesus. In his name we pray. Amen.

## **Today’s Worship Servants**

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Accompanist	(Both) Buffy Riley	
Song Leader	(Both) David Stuckey	
Lay Readers	(8:00) Joshua Reeb	(10:30) Avery Roth
Easy Worship	(Both) Brian Roth	
Sound Tech	(8:00) Angie Neuenschwander	(10:30) James Grime
Live Stream Tech	(10:30) Cayla Swisher	
8:00AM Usher	Linda Heer	
Head Usher	Dave Walker	

## **Consistory Contact Information**

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## **Prayer Joys, Concerns, Requests:**

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Please pray for...

- ◆ The family of Vern Nemire, who passed away on 2/2 at 91 years of age.
- ◆ Kenny Walker IV and his family, as Kenny continues to recover from surgery.

Those serving in the Armed Forces...

- ◆ 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, Being Deployed (Navy) (Son of Kelly & Betsy)
- ◆ Brayden Hall, Ft. Leonard Wood, MO (Ohio Army Nat. Guard) (Son of Vond & Mary)
- ◆ Jared Kuntz, Washington, DC (Army) (Son of Keith & Kelli)
- ◆ Eric Maag, Port Clinton, OH (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 and Yesi)
- ◆ Joshua Richardson, Kaneohe, HI (Marines) (Son of Shannon and Yesi)
- ◆ Steve Schink, Chesterfield, MI (Coast Guard) (Son-in-law of Ed and Julie Ruffer)



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