



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



Vacation Bible School begins tonight! Please pray for a successful week of faith and fellowship for the children attending and for our wonderful volunteers!

*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.

**Welcome to our Worship of God!
8th Sunday after Pentecost**

Welcome and Announcements

Scripture and Prayer of Invocation

Psalm 89:1-8 (pg. 587)

Prelude

Exalted Medley

†Hymns of Praise

#8, "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"
#267, "Come, Thou Almighty King"

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

Children's Message

Prayer of Dedication and Sharing Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

Shepherd Medley

Scripture Reading

Mark 6:30-34, 53-56 (pg. 996); Ephesians 2:11-22 (pg. 1157)

†Sermon Hymn

#462, "Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us"

Sermon

"Like Sheep Without a Shepherd"

Sacrament of Communion

Words of Invitation and Call to Confession

Silent Prayer of Confession

"Have mercy on me, O God, according to your unfailing love, according to your great compassion blot out my transgressions. Wash away all my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin."

Words of Assurance

"If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness"

Communion Hymn - #51, verse 1, "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

Words of Institution

Prayer of Blessing

Sharing of the Elements and Communion Blessing

†Closing Hymn

#461, "He Leadeth Me"

†Spoken Benediction

†Benediction in Song

#610, "Go Now and Live for the Savior"

†Postlude

Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us

Scripture Readings

Psalms 89:1-8 I will sing of the Lord's great love forever; with my mouth I will make your faithfulness known through all generations. ² I will declare that your love stands firm forever, that you established your faithfulness in heaven itself. ³ You said, "I have made a covenant with my chosen one, I have sworn to David my servant, ⁴ I will establish your line forever and make your throne firm through all generations." ⁵ The heavens praise your wonders, O Lord, your faithfulness too, in the assembly of the holy ones. ⁶ For who in the skies above can compare with the Lord? Who is like the Lord among the heavenly beings? ⁷ In the council of the holy ones God is greatly feared; he is more awesome than all who surround him. ⁸ O Lord God Almighty, who is like you? You are mighty, O Lord, and your faithfulness surrounds you.

Mark 6:30-34 The apostles gathered around Jesus and reported to him all they had done and taught. ³¹ Then, because so many people were coming and going that they did not even have a chance to eat, he said to them, "Come with me by yourselves to a quiet place and get some rest." ³² So they went away by themselves in a boat to a solitary place. ³³ But many who saw them leaving recognized them and ran on foot from all the towns and got there ahead of them. ³⁴ When Jesus landed and saw a large crowd, he had compassion on them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd. So he began teaching them many things.

Mark 6:53-56 When they had crossed over, they landed at Gennesaret and anchored there. ⁵⁴ As soon as they got out of the boat, people recognized Jesus. ⁵⁵ They ran throughout that whole region and carried the sick on mats to wherever

they heard he was. ⁵⁶ And wherever he went -- into villages, towns or countryside -- they placed the sick in the marketplaces. They begged him to let them touch even the edge of his cloak, and all who touched him were healed.

Ephesians 2:11-22 Therefore, remember that formerly you who are Gentiles by birth and called "uncircumcised" by those who call themselves "the circumcision" (that done in the body by the hands of men) -- ¹² remember that at that time you were separate from Christ, excluded from citizenship in Israel and foreigners to the covenants of the promise, without hope and without God in the world. ¹³ But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far away have been brought near through the blood of Christ. ¹⁴ For he himself is our peace, who has made the two one and has destroyed the barrier, the dividing wall of hostility, ¹⁵ by abolishing in his flesh the law with its commandments and regulations. His purpose was to create in himself one new man out of the two, thus making peace, ¹⁶ and in this one body to reconcile both of them to God through the cross, by which he put to death their hostility. ¹⁷ He came and preached peace to you who were far away and peace to those who were near. ¹⁸ For through him we both have access to the Father by one Spirit. ¹⁹ Consequently, you are no longer foreigners and aliens, but fellow citizens with God's people and members of God's household, ²⁰ built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the chief cornerstone. ²¹ In him the whole building is joined together and rises to become a holy temple in the Lord. ²² And in him you too are being built together to become a dwelling in which God lives by his Spirit.

Sermon Notes

Sermon “Like Sheep Without a Shepherd”
Scriptures Mark 6:30-34, 53-56; Ephesians 2:11-22

Congregational Prayer

Thank you, Lord, for shepherding me, and shepherding our congregation. Your constant compassion and guidance has brought such joy and trust to my soul. What a blessing to praise you for your lasting promises of love and grace towards your people. You know, Lord, that many of us can be timid or reluctant to offer compassion to others, when it comes to face-to-face encounters. Fill us with your Holy Spirit, that we would be bolder, and even more compassionate, as we meet and engage with people. Thank you for guiding me in shepherding sheep through the knowledge of your Word. In Christ, I pray.
Amen.

Announcements

- ◆ **July Mission-a-Month: Shepherd's Circle** - The purpose of this program is to mentor individuals or families who are good people that have made bad choices. Through this project, assistance is given and guidance is provided to help these people get back on their feet and once again become productive citizens and good stewards of their financial resources.
- ◆ The Pre-K through 6th grade Sunday School class is learning the books of the New Testament. This week we will discuss the epistles. We will write epistles or letters to the children of our missionary partners to encourage them as the Apostles' writing encourages us. We invite the children to join us in the parish hall.

Today's Worship Servants

Accompanist	(Both) Buffy Riley
Song Leader	(Both) Andrew Rohrs
Worship Leader	(Both) Brad Roth
Easy Worship	(Both) Tom Hines
Sound Tech	(Both) James Grime
Live Stream Tech	(10:30) Ryan Christman
8:00AM Ushers	(8:00) Gary & Judy Sears
Head Usher	(10:30) Greg Walker

Welcome!

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 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 outside of the sanctuary. 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. Nursery care is offered during the 10:30 worship service for infants and pre-kindergarten children. A diaper changing station is located in the Nursery.

Large Print and Children's 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 July 18th at St. John's Christian Church

Sun	8:00AM	Worship (Sanctuary)
	8:30AM	Pause for Praise (96.1 WMTR)
	9:15AM	Sunday School
	10:30AM	Worship (Sanctuary and YouTube Live)
	6:00PM	VBS Begins!
Mon	6:00PM	VBS
Tues	9:15AM	Bible Study (Fireside Room)
	6:00PM	VBS
Weds	6:00PM	VBS
Thu	6:00PM	VBS
Sun	8:00AM	Worship (Sanctuary)
	8:30AM	Pause for Praise (96.1 WMTR)
	9:15AM	Sunday School, Faith Village
	10:30AM	Worship (Sanctuary and YouTube Live)
	6:00PM	Seekers

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:

- July 18 – Not Getting What We Ask For.....Psalm 109
- July 19 – Idolater.....Judges 8:22-35
- July 20 – Believer.....Judges 13
- July 21 – Bruiser.....Judges 14
- July 22 – Avenger.....Judges 15
- July 23 – Betrayer.....Judges 16:1-22
- July 24 – Destroyer.....Judges 16:23-31

Next Sunday July 25, 2021

Sermon - All the Fullness of God

Scriptures - Psalm 14, John 6:1-21, Ephesians 3:14-21

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Prayer Joys, Concerns, Requests:

Please pray for...

- ◆ Kim S. Walker and family, upon the death of her mother, Lois Wiles, on July 14th. Visitation will be this afternoon from 2pm to 8pm, with a memorial service at 10am tomorrow, all held at the Den Herder Funeral Home in Paulding.
- ◆ Chloe Merillat, Roger & Kay's granddaughter, has returned home and continues to recover well from surgery to remove a vertebrae that had cancer in it.
- ◆ Bryce Winzeler continues in rehab at Heartland as of July 15th.
- ◆ Teresa Mann is recovering at home from successful knee surgery.
- ◆ Tracey Warren began 45 days of radiation treatments on June 3rd.

Those serving in the Armed Forces...

- ◆ Brenden Bostelman, Deployed, Iraq (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, Deployed, USS Iwo Jima (Navy) (Son of Kelly & Betsy)
- ◆ Brayden Hall, Newton Falls, OH (Ohio Army Nat. Guard) (Son of Vond & Mary)
- ◆ MAJ 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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