



# 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**



## RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

*Pictured above (top left to bottom right): Adam Swisher, Gary & Judy Salisbury, Emily Walker, Keira Grandey, Janet Franks, and Mark & Chris Stockman.*

*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!**  
**9th Sunday after Pentecost**

- Welcome, Scripture and Prayer of Invocation Psalm 14 (pg. 538)  
Prelude “Awesome In This Place/In His Holy Temple”  
†Hymn of Praise #10, “O Worship the King”  
(10:30) Reception of New Members  
Opening Sentences and Scripture Reading  
Affirmation of Faith - The Apostles’ Creed (inside back cover, red hymnal)  
Vows of Membership  
Congregational Response: *As you join the membership of this congregation, we promise you our 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 our Risen Lord. Welcome to our fellowship!*  
Hymn Response - #287, “Our God Has Made Us One”  
Children’s Message  
Pastoral Prayer and The Lord’s Prayer (debts/debtors)  
Special Music Norm Fether “Bow the Knee”  
Prayer of Dedication and Sharing Our Tithes and Offerings  
Offertory “Open the Eyes of My Heart”  
Scripture Reading John 6:1-21 (pg. 1055), Ephesians 3:14-21 (pg. 1158)  
Sermon “All the Fullness of God”  
Sacrament of Communion  
Words of Invitation and Call to Confession  
Silent Prayer of Confession Psalm 51:1-2  
*“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 1 John 1:9  
*“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 #398, “Fill My Cup, Lord”  
†Spoken Benediction  
†Benediction in Song #610, “Go Now and Live for the Savior”  
†Postlude  
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## Scripture Readings

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**Psalms 14:1-7** The fool says in his heart, "There is no God." They are corrupt, their deeds are vile; there is no one who does good. <sup>2</sup> The Lord looks down from heaven on the sons of men to see if there are any who understand, any who seek God. <sup>3</sup> All have turned aside, they have together become corrupt; there is no one who does good, not even one. <sup>4</sup> Will evildoers never learn -- those who devour my people as men eat bread and who do not call on the Lord? <sup>5</sup> There they are, overwhelmed with dread, for God is present in the company of the righteous. <sup>6</sup> You evildoers frustrate the plans of the poor, but the Lord is their refuge. <sup>7</sup> Oh, that salvation for Israel would come out of Zion! When the Lord restores the fortunes of his people, let Jacob rejoice and Israel be glad!

**John 6:1-21** Sometime after this, Jesus crossed to the far shore of the Sea of Galilee (that is, the Sea of Tiberias), <sup>2</sup> and a great crowd of people followed him because they saw the miraculous signs he had performed on the sick. <sup>3</sup> Then Jesus went up on a mountainside and sat down with his disciples. <sup>4</sup> The Jewish Passover Feast was near. <sup>5</sup> When Jesus looked up and saw a great crowd coming toward him, he said to Philip, "Where shall we buy bread for these people to eat?" <sup>6</sup> He asked this only to test him, for he already had in mind what he was going to do. <sup>7</sup> Philip answered him, "Eight months' wages would not buy enough bread for each one to have a bite!" <sup>8</sup> Another of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, spoke up, <sup>9</sup> "Here is a boy with five small barley loaves and two small fish, but how far will they go among so many?" <sup>10</sup> Jesus said, "Have the people sit down." There was plenty of grass in that place, and the men sat down, about five thousand of them. <sup>11</sup> Jesus then took the loaves, gave thanks, and distributed to those who were seated as much as they wanted. He did the same with the fish. <sup>12</sup> When they had

all had enough to eat, he said to his disciples, "Gather the pieces that are left over. Let nothing be wasted." <sup>13</sup> So they gathered them and filled twelve baskets with the pieces of the five barley loaves left over by those who had eaten. <sup>14</sup> After the people saw the miraculous sign that Jesus did, they began to say, "Surely this is the Prophet who is to come into the world." <sup>15</sup> Jesus, knowing that they intended to come and make him king by force, withdrew again to a mountain by himself. <sup>16</sup> When evening came, his disciples went down to the lake, <sup>17</sup> where they got into a boat and set off across the lake for Capernaum. By now it was dark, and Jesus had not yet joined them. <sup>18</sup> A strong wind was blowing and the waters grew rough. <sup>19</sup> When they had rowed three or three and a half miles, they saw Jesus approaching the boat, walking on the water; and they were terrified. <sup>20</sup> But he said to them, "It is I; don't be afraid." <sup>21</sup> Then they were willing to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the shore where they were heading.

**Ephesians 3:14-21** For this reason I kneel before the Father, <sup>15</sup> from whom his whole family in heaven and on earth derives its name. <sup>16</sup> I pray that out of his glorious riches he may strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being, <sup>17</sup> so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, <sup>18</sup> may have power, together with all the saints, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, <sup>19</sup> and to know this love that surpasses knowledge -- that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God. <sup>20</sup> Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, <sup>21</sup> to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen.

## **New Members Received into our Fellowship**

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**Janet Franks** lives at 289 Cherry Street (Pioneer Estates, Pettisville), Wauseon. Her son, Joel, and his wife, Denise, live in Wisconsin, and her daughter, Joy Beck, and her husband, Randy, live in Pettisville. Janet retired from Stryker Local Schools in 2002 as the assistant treasurer. Janet's interests include reading her Bible daily, walking, tending her lawn, flower and vegetable gardening, cooking (especially new recipes), and crocheting. Janet also thoroughly enjoys babysitting four great-grandchildren! Janet was active in the life of Pine Grove Mennonite Church, which recently dissolved, and she and her parents were a part of Zion's Church before that church dissolved in 1948 and many of its members joined the St. John's congregation.

**Keira Grandey** lives at 16736 County Road E, Bryan. Keira a graduate of Stryker High School and Defiance College, with a degree in communication studies and minor in music. She recently earned a Master of Business Administration from Defiance College. Keira works as the assistant to the executive director at the Williams County Economic Development Office. Keira loves music, writing, and working with kids and young adults. She is a crafty person and enjoys making things. She was very involved in her previous church family, serving on the council, leading VBS crafts, and the Building Mission & Vision Committee.

**Gary & Judy Salisbury** live at 505 Pleasant Street in Archbold. They are the parents of three adult children. Judy is the sister of Mary Ellen Johnson and Kenny Nafziger, and an aunt of Todd Nafziger. Gary & Judy were active in the life of Pine Grove Mennonite Church, which recently dissolved. Judy is a retired nurse and Gary retired from Sauder Woodworking as a maintenance professional and then again as a cabinet builder at Clancy's. Both enjoy fishing and traveling. Judy's hobbies include crafts and gardening, and Gary enjoys woodworking.

**Mark & Chris Stockman** live at 118 Ridge Drive in Ridgeville Corners. They have been married for 21 years and have a blended family of five adult children and seven grandchildren. Chris grew up in Paulding and Mark grew up in Ridgeville Corners in the home they now reside. Both are recently retired and plan to enjoy camping in their new camper van. Mark was the Paulding County Engineer for 12 years and was self-employed for the last 12 years doing Federal Highway Administration quality assurance reviews for county bridges in Ohio's 88 counties. Mark plays the trumpet, playing for 40 years in area polka bands! He enjoys gardening and carpentry. Chris worked as a legal secretary in Paulding, then performed clerical work for county offices. She also owned a Christian

Bookstore in Paulding. She enjoys music, especially singing, and genealogy. In previous churches, both have served as worship leaders and Chris helped with VBS.

**Adam Swisher** lives at 212 Degroff Avenue in Archbold and just celebrated his first wedding anniversary with his wife, Cayla (Walker) on July 11th. Adam is a Defiance College graduate and earned his graduate degree from the University of Toledo. Adam is a school psychologist at Bryan City and Edon Schools. He enjoys playing tennis, running, playing guitar, reading, golfing, hiking/nature, and anything active! Adam has been involved in small groups, youth and college groups, FCA (Fellowship of Christian Athletes), special music, mission trips and service projects.

**Emily K. Walker** lives at 1008 S. Lynn Street in Bryan and is married to Collin. Emily & Collin were married on June 15, 2019. She graduated from Central Michigan University in 2015 and is a fourth grade teacher at Defiance Elementary School. Emily enjoys reading, playing and snuggling with her dog (Roxy), flowers and plants, cycling, and trying new recipes.

### **Congregational Prayer**

Dear God, you know that St. John's held Vacation Bible School this past week. You know the lessons and experiences that were shared. You know the name of each child that participated, and you know each of their hearts. Lord, I pray for each child, that they will receive further nurturing through your love, through the ministries of St. John's or the ministries of the church family they are connected with. Help us deepen the new relationships that were formed during VBS in ways that you will reveal to us. In your glory we pray, Amen.

### **Today's Worship Servants**

Accompanist	(Both) Lynne Christman	
Song Leader	(Both) Roger Zimmerman	
Lay Reader	(Both) Roger Zimmerman	
Children's Message	(Both) JoAnn Short	
Nursery	(10:30) Corey & Jocelyn Walker	(8/1) *Needs Covered
Easy Worship	(Both) Kelly Ducey	
Sound Tech	(8:00) Angie Neuenschwander	(10:30) James Grime
Live Stream Tech	(10:30) Cayla Swisher	
8:00AM Ushers	(8:00) Gary & Judy Sears	
Head Usher	(10:30) Greg Walker	

## **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 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 25th 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	Sunday School
	10:30AM	Worship (Sanctuary and YouTube Live)
Tues	9:15AM	Bible Study (Fireside Room)
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)
	4:00PM	Book Bag Bash (SJCC Parking Lot)
	6:00PM	Evangelism Committee

### **Next Sunday - August 1st, 2021**

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Sermon - "Partaking of the Bread"

Scriptures - John 6:24-35, Ephesians 4:1-16

## **Announcements**

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- ◆ **Book Bag Bash** - Next Sunday, August 1st is the annual SJCC Book Bag Bash! The event will be hosted as a drive-thru in the SJCC parking lot from 4:00 - 6:00PM. If you know of a family or families who would benefit from this free event, please invite them to attend! They must be present to receive a book bag and supplies.
- ◆ **Cleaning Out Assistance** - As Pastor Erich searched the storage areas of the church for props and backdrops for the VBS Bible Story Station, he realized it's time to sort and clean out some things, and store many items in a better system! It's a matter of pulling things out of the attic and other storage areas and carrying them to the storage building in preparation for reuse, recycling or placing in the dumpster as space allows. He welcomes people to let him know if they could help on Thursday, July 29th at either 9am, 1pm or 6pm, or on Saturday, July 31st at 9am.
- ◆ **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.

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

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Please pray for...

- ◆ Bob & Barbara Vos, as Bob is experiencing serious back pain and is being treated at Cleveland Clinic. Pray for God to provide some form of relief. Barbara has also been dealing with some recent health issues, too.
- ◆ Jodi Belts has been dealing with lower leg pain for the past three months and recent MRI's revealed fractures in both of her ankles, so pray for her healing.
- ◆ Bryce Winzeler, who continues in rehab at Heartland in Sylvania.
- ◆ Teresa Mann, who continues to recover at home after successful knee replacement surgery.
- ◆ Tracey Warren, who is nearing the end of radiation treatments and will be awaiting test results to learn of their effectiveness.
- ◆ Rev. Jim Barnes, National Minister of the Evangelical Association, undergoing surgery on 8/4 to remove the upper lobe of his right lung, to remove a malignant tumor.

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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