



# Welcome to St. John's Christian Church

"The Church on the Corner Whose Cornerstone is Christ"



Sunday, September 12, 2021

**B.L.A.S.T.  
SUNDAY!**

**Believe, Learn, And Seek Truth**

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

*Let us Believe, Learn, And Seek Truth together on this  
beautiful day of worship and fellowship!*

# Welcome! We're so glad you're here.....

## 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 scanning the QR code, 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 one of the literature racks.



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

We have a Mother's Room located outside of the sanctuary for nursing mothers and/or mothers with young children. Nursery care is offered during the 10:30 worship service for infants and pre-kindergarten children. Diaper changing stations are located in both the Mother's Room and Nursery. Please ask an usher for locations if needed.

**Children's Busy Bags** are located in the sanctuary narthex for children ages one-year to third grade. Bags are marked by age (Pink = Ages 1-2; Green = Ages 3-5; Yellow = Grades K-3). Please be sure to return bags at the end of our service today. If you would like to mark a bag specifically for your child(ren) each week, please contact the church office.

## Give & Take Board

Do you need a little peace in your day? Confidence? What about self-control? Have you lost sight of your faith and need a spiritual pick-me-up? Do you need a quick bit of kindness after a long week? Or do you have these things to spare? Then stop by the Give and Take Board outside of the Preschool Room! Give what you can and take what you need - you just might feel or fill someone's heart with the love of God and make their day or week ten times brighter!

**Large Print and Children's Bulletins** are available today. Please ask an usher if you are in need of either!

Find us on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/stjohnschurcharchbold](http://www.facebook.com/stjohnschurcharchbold)  
or Instagram at @stjohnsarchbold.

**Welcome to our Worship of God**

B.L.A.S.T. Sunday!

“Believe, Learn, and Seek Truth”

Welcome and Announcements

Scripture and Prayer of Invocation

1 John 4:7-12

“Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God. <sup>8</sup> Whoever does not love does not know God, because God is love. <sup>9</sup> This is how God showed his love among us: He sent his one and only Son into the world that we might live through him. <sup>10</sup> This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins. <sup>11</sup> Dear friends, since God so loved us, we also ought to love one another. <sup>12</sup> No one has ever seen God; but if we love one another, God lives in us and his love is made complete in us.”

Prelude

“Blessed Assurance”

Hymn Sing (Brown Hymnal)

#486, vs. 1 & 2, “Wonderful Grace of Jesus”

#433, vs. 1 & 4, “Count Your Blessings”

#149, vs. 1 & 2, “The Church in the Wildwood”

#356, vs. 1 & 3, “In My Heart There Rings a Melody”

#418, vs. 1 & 3, “Sweet By and By”

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

Presentation of Bibles to Third Grade Children

Children’s Message

†Hymn

#25, “Immortal, Invisible”

Scripture Reading

Colossians 3:12-14

“Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. <sup>13</sup> Bear with each other and forgive whatever grievances you may have against one another. Forgive as the Lord forgave you. <sup>14</sup> And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity.”

Sermon

“Living in Truth”

Sharing Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

“Take My Life and Let It Be”

†The Doxology (#625) and Prayer of Dedication

†Closing Hymn

#52, “O God, Our Help in Ages Past”

†Spoken Benediction

†Benediction in Song

#452, refrain, “Make Me a Blessing”

†Postlude

## Sermon Notes

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Sermon "Living in Truth"  
Scripture Colossians 3:12-14

## Announcements

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- ◆ **Kajiado Children's Home** - Gaye will be visiting Kajiado Children's Home in October and has offered to hand deliver letters to SJCC sponsored children or the children in general at the home. Anyone wishing to send a letter should get them to Crissi Stuckey by September 19th so that she can forward them to Gaye in time for her trip.
- ◆ **Community Prayer Walk** - Joy Ministries with Center for Women's Ministries is hosting a prayer walk on Saturday, September 18th from 9:00 - 11:00AM in Reighard Park in Wauseon. The walk will begin at the open-air pavilion next to the community pool at 9:00AM., where you can leisurely walk and pray at the nine designated Connect Points.
- ◆ **Pettisville Man Cave Ministries** - Cold case homicide detective and Christian apologist, J. Warner Wallace, will be speaking at Pettisville Missionary Church on September 15th. The event is free but requires a ticket for entry, which can be secured at [Eventbrite.com](http://Eventbrite.com).

## Week of September 12th at St. John's Christian Church

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| Sun | 8:00AM  | Worship (Chapel)                                  |
|     | 8:30AM  | Pause for Praise (96.1 WMTR)                      |
|     | 9:15AM  | Education Hour                                    |
|     | 10:30AM | Worship (East Lawn and YouTube Live)              |
|     | 11:30AM | Chicken BBQ and Fellowship Games & Activities     |
|     | 2:00PM  | GIF Gals (Nancy Rupp's Home)                      |
|     | 3:00PM  | TGRM Meal & Chapel                                |
| Mon | 11:00AM | Staff Meeting (Office Closed)                     |
| Tue | 9:15AM  | Bible Study (Fireside Room)                       |
|     | 5:00PM  | Community Meal (Parish Hall)                      |
|     | 7:00PM  | Property Committee (Fireside Room)                |
| Wed | 8:30AM  | Moms in Prayer (Fireside Room)                    |
|     | 6:00PM  | LOGOS/JYF (Parish Hall)                           |
|     | 6:45PM  | JYF (Fireside Room)                               |
|     | 7:00PM  | Life Planning (Chapel)                            |
|     | 7:00PM  | Man Cave Ministry (Pettisville Missionary Church) |
| Thu | 11:30AM | Senior Luncheon (Chapel)                          |
| Sun | 8:00AM  | Worship (Sanctuary)                               |
|     | 8:30AM  | Pause for Praise (96.1 WMTR)                      |
|     | 9:15AM  | Sunday School, Faith Village, Confirmation        |
|     | 10:30AM | Worship (Sanctuary and YouTube Live)              |

## September Mission-A-Month: TGRM

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Toledo Gospel Rescue Mission (TGRM) has been providing men and women in the Toledo, Ohio area with shelter and resources since 1955. Both the men's shelter and women's shelter (Rebekah's Haven) provide for the spiritual, physical, and material needs for homeless persons through generous support of Northwest Ohio. St. John's has supported them for the last several years prayerfully and financially, and with material donations. Several times per year, St. John's will share in the TGRM men's chapel services, with members of St. John's preparing a meal with chapel guests for after service. To learn more about TGRM and the many services they provide, visit [tgrm.org](http://tgrm.org).



## Daily Discovery Guide

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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:

- September 12 – Hidden Riches.....Psalm 119:1-24
- September 13 – Access for All.....Hebrews 9:1-10
- September 14 – Sin's Stain and Shame.....Hebrews 9:11-22
- September 15 – A Holy Presence.....Hebrews 9:23-28
- September 16 – Thy Will Be Done.....Hebrews 10:1-10
- September 17 – It Is Done.....Hebrews 10:11-18
- September 18 – Faith, Hope, Love.....Hebrews 10:19-25

## Congregational Prayer

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Lord, as the writer of Hebrews offers, I pray for continued strength and fortitude in holding to the hope we have in Jesus Christ, a hope that serves as an anchor to keep me firm and secure. As an anchor keeps a boat from drifting, I am thankful that my soul is kept from drifting as I am anchored by the hope of Christ. I pray for SJCC, that we can grow in truth and love as a congregation, to be a church of grace, mercy and forgiveness as we overcome the past and strain towards the future. I pray for our search process, that you guide the person you have appointed to us. In Christ I pray. Amen.

## Today's Worship Servants

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| Accompanist       | Lynne Christman |
| Worship Leader    | Linda Heer      |
| Song Leader       | Mike Meyer      |
| Children's Moment | Nancy Rupp      |
| Usher             | Tim Beck        |

## Next Sunday - September 19th, 2021

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Sermon - "The Cast-Down Sheep"

Scriptures - Exodus 15:22-26

Special Music - Keira Grandey and Jocelyn Walker, "Rescue"

## Consistory Contact Information

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## Prayer Joys, Concerns, Requests:

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Please pray for...

- ◆ Chloe Merillat, who received good reports of healing during a follow-up exam from her recent two surgeries.
- ◆ Kenn Sweitzer, dealing with being off work due to a recent case of Covid-19.
- ◆ Jeff Gore, through a live stream connection, is asking for prayers as he starts work after being off due to rotator cuff surgery.
- ◆ Judy Sears, who is dealing with back pain and other health issues.
- ◆ Bryce Winzeler as he continues to receive treatment for leg nerve regeneration.
- ◆ John Barr, father of Mary Hall, as he recovers from heart bypass surgery.
- ◆ Jodi Beltz is grateful for your prayers as both tibias are healed (Yay!) and the left fibula shows it is starting to heal, so she is down to wearing just one boot.

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, attending Kent State (OANG) (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)

### **ST. JOHN'S CHRISTIAN CHURCH**

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*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.*