

JANUARY 23, 2022 | 8:00AM & 10:30AM



# 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**

*Installation and Ordination of newly elected officers, Linda Heer (Congregational President);  
Lynne Roth (Congregational Secretary); Nici Wyse and Norm Fether (Elders);  
and Steve Walker, Matt Hines, and Stacy Rutledge (Deacons/Deaconess)*

# Welcome! We are so glad you are here.

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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 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 a.m. 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? Are you in need of a spiritual pick-me-up? Could you use 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 week brighter!

**Large Print and Children's Bulletins** are available at a table in the sanctuary narthex.

**Hearing Assistance** is provided by our system for hearing aids with a "loop system" switch position.



Find us on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/stjohnschurcharchbold](http://www.facebook.com/stjohnschurcharchbold),  
Instagram at @stjohnsarchbold and YouTube ("St. John's Christian Church").

## WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP OF GOD!

Lighting of the Altar Candles and Ringing of the Tower Bells

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

“Immortal Invisible/I Could Sing”

Scripture and Prayer of Invocation

Psalm 13 (pg. 537)

The Truth of the Gospel - Jesus Recreates

“The Files”

†Hymn

#191, “There Is Power in the Blood”

†Unison Prayer and The Lord’s Prayer - **Lord, as the psalmist says, “Search me, O God, and know my heart.” Your Word reveals that there will be a judgment according to what we have done. I pray for your mercy, Lord, a mercy established through Christ’s sacrifice on the cross. In prayer, I confess my sin, asking you to erase, to blot out my sins, as I confess my faith in Christ as Lord. Cleanse me and restore me in Your Holy Image, as I pray, Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and for give us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

†Hymn

#195, “Nothing But the Blood”

(10:30) Installation of 2022 Consistory and Officers

Opening Sentences

Vows and Promises

Congregation’s Pledge - *I pledge myself to be used by God, as a part of this congregation, to be at work in our church, our community, and the world to reflect the love and grace of Jesus Christ. I will pray for these elders, deacons and deaconesses, and officers as they lead and oversee the ministry and work of St. John’s. I will strive to be faithful in cooperating with the Consistory in our efforts to glorify God. In faith I pledge. Amen.*

Ordination of New Officers, Elders, and Deacon/Deaconesses

Installation and Prayer

Scripture Reading

Habakkuk 1:1-11 (pg. 929)

Children’s Message

†Sermon Hymn

#275, “How Firm a Foundation”

Sermon

“Habakkuk: Lament, and God’s Response - Part 1”

Prayer of Dedication

Sharing our Tithes and Offerings and Offertory

“Make Me a Servant”

Second Offering

Imagine Your Faith Building Capital Campaign

†Closing Hymn

#183, “Beneath the Cross of Jesus”

†Spoken Benediction

†Benediction in Song

#609, “Lord, Let Us Now Depart in Peace”

†Postlude

## SCRIPTURE READINGS

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**Psalms 13:1-6** How long, O Lord? Will you forget me forever? How long will you hide your face from me? <sup>2</sup> How long must I wrestle with my thoughts and every day have sorrow in my heart? How long will my enemy triumph over me? <sup>3</sup> Look on me and answer, O Lord my God. Give light to my eyes, or I will sleep in death; <sup>4</sup> my enemy will say, "I have overcome him," and my foes will rejoice when I fall. <sup>5</sup> But I trust in your un-failing love; my heart rejoices in your salvation. <sup>6</sup> I will sing to the Lord, for he has been good to me.

**Habakkuk 1:1-11** The oracle that Habakkuk the prophet received. <sup>2</sup> How long, O Lord, must I call for help, but you do not listen? Or cry out to you, "Violence!" but you do not save? <sup>3</sup> Why do you make me look at injustice? Why do you tolerate wrong? Destruction and violence are before me; there is strife, and conflict abounds. <sup>4</sup> Therefore the law is paralyzed, and justice never prevails. The wicked hem in the righteous, so that justice is perverted. <sup>5</sup> "Look at the nations and watch-- and be utterly amazed. For I am going to do something in your days that you would not believe, even if you were told. <sup>6</sup> I am raising up the Babylonians, that ruthless and impetuous people, who sweep across the whole earth to seize dwelling places not their own. <sup>7</sup> They are a feared and dreaded people; they are a law to themselves and promote their own honor. <sup>8</sup> Their horses are swifter than leopards, fiercer than wolves at dusk. Their cavalry gallops headlong; their horsemen come from afar. They fly like a vulture swooping to devour; <sup>9</sup> they all come bent on violence. Their hordes advance like a desert wind and gather prisoners like sand. <sup>10</sup> They deride kings and scoff at rulers. They laugh at all fortified cities; they build earthen ramps and capture them. <sup>11</sup> Then they sweep past like the wind and go on-- guilty men, whose own strength is their god."

## CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

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Lord, as Habakkuk expressed consternation about the wickedness that was rampant in Judah, he wondered why you did nothing about it all. I am so thankful that you did do something - you sent Jesus Christ as the savior of the world! Hallelujah! Because of the wickedness rampant in the world today, I pray for the mission and ministry of St. John's. I pray for your wisdom and counsel, Lord, that our faith in you and that our discipleship in Christ, would deepen and expand for the glory of your Kingdom. Equip us and send us forth, I pray. Amen.

## SERMON NOTES

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Sermon - "Lament, And God's Response," Part 1

Scriptures - Habakkuk 1:1-11

## TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVANTS

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Accompanist	(Both) Lynne Christman	
Song Leader	(Both) Roger Zimmerman	
Worship Leader	(Both) Kim S. Walker	
Acolytes	(8:00) Courtney Stuckey	(10:30) Ella Yoder
Easy Worship	(Both) Brian Roth	
Sound Techs	(8:00) Kelly Ducey	(10:30) James Grime
Live Stream	(10:30) Jocelyn Walker	
8:00 Usher	Jim Grieser	
Head Usher	Steve Walker	
Ushers	Jeremy & Jen Hurst, Jessica Lindsay, Tristan Kast	

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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- ♦ **2021 Giving Statements:** Annual giving statements have been processed and sent to households. Individuals and families with emails on file should have received digital copies on Friday, January 14. All others were placed in the mail this past week. If you still have not received your statement by the end of next week, or if you have any questions about your statement, please contact Jocelyn in the church office.

## WEEK OF JANUARY 23RD AT ST. JOHN'S

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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)
	11:45AM	GIF Gals (Fireside Room)
	6:00PM	Seekers (Kuntz's Home)
Mon	11:00AM	Staff Meeting (Office Closed)
	6:30PM	Consistory Meal (Chapel)
	7:15PM	Consistory (Chapel)
	8:30PM	Spiritual Council (Chapel)
Tue	9:15AM	Bible Study (Fireside Room)
	5:00PM	Community Meal - Lockport Mennonite Church (Parish Hall)
	7:00PM	Search Committee (Chapel)
Wed	8:30AM	Moms in Prayer (Fireside Room)
	5:50PM	LOGOS Meal (Parish Hall)
	6:45PM	LOGOS/JYF
	7:00PM	SYF (Youth Room)
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)

## NEXT SUNDAY, JANUARY 30TH, 2022

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Sermon - "Lament, And God's Response - Part 2"

Scriptures - Habakkuk 1:12-2:20

## **JANUARY MISSION-A-MONTH: CWS EMERGENCY CLEANUP BUCKETS**

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A series of devastating tornadoes ripped through Kentucky and other states in the Midwest and South in early December. Church World Service has been responding to requests for supplies in affected areas and so far have shipped out 252 Emergency Cleanup Buckets. For every \$75 donated to CWS in January, we will be able to provide a cleanup bucket to families and communities affected by other unexpected disasters such as flooding, tornados, or earthquakes. Monetary donations can be made throughout the month by indicating "MAM" on Line 11 of your offering envelopes or by selecting "Give to Church World Service" on Breeze's online giving feature.

## **DISCOVERY DAILY DEVOTIONAL**

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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:

January 23 – Hope in God Alone----- Psalm 131  
January 24 – God Sees and Knows ----- Exodus 2:1-25  
January 25 – The Holy God Comes Close ----- Exodus 3:1-12  
January 26 – God is in Control -----Exodus 3:13-22  
January 27 – God is Powerful ----- Exodus 4:1-17  
January 28 – God Remembers His Covenant----Exodus 4:18-31  
January 29 – God is Rejected ----- Exodus 5:1-21

## **CONSISTORY CONTACT INFORMATION**

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President Linda Heer (419-324-6536)

Elders Ryan Christman (419-551-2124), Norm Fether (419-205-7776), Jon Lindsay (419-445-4504), , Betsy Redd (419-551-1843), David Stuckey (419-446-4686), Nici Wyse (419-572-0626)

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## PRAYER JOYS, CONCERNS, AND REQUESTS:

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Please pray for...

- ◆ Mike Meyer, who is now living at Fountain Park, Room 130, 1391 N Main St, Bryan, OH 43506.
- ◆ Leah Nafziger, who had a 24 hour EEG test on Friday as she has had further incidents.
- ◆ Missy Warncke, who saw a specialist on Friday regarding blood clots she had.
- ◆ Michael Hartman, father of Jen Hurst, as he remains in critical condition at the University of Michigan.
- ◆ Matt Pardi, who is being prepared to be released to a transitional rehab facility as he has shown very positive improvement these past few weeks.

Those serving in the Armed Forces...

- ◆ Brenden Bostelman, Oak Grove, 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, Suffolk, VA (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)
- ◆ Taylor Pitts, Albuquerque, NM (Air Force) (Granddaughter of Nan Neill)
- ◆ Shayne Pitts has been deployed to Qatar (Air Force) (Husband of Taylor)
- ◆ 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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