

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

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! We are so glad you are 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 refreshing way. Please let one of our ushers know you're new (they may have already noticed your new face!) so they can give you a welcome bag filled with helpful information about our church. Or you can scan the QR code to the right with your phone's camera to learn more about who we are as a congregation.



Mother's Room/Diaper Changing Stations/Nursery Care

Nursery Care is offered during the 10:30AM service and we are always looking for new volunteers to help with this ministry! People interested in helping can contact the church office. We also have a Mother's Room located outside of the sanctuary for nursing mothers and/or mothers with young infants and toddlers. Diaper changing stations are located in both the Mother's Room and the Nursery. An usher will gladly direct you 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.







WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP OF GOD!

Ringing of the Tower Bells and Lighting of the Altar Candles

Prelude "Come, Holy Spirit, Dove Divine"

Welcome and Announcements

†Passing the Peace of Christ

Opening Scripture Ephesians 1:3-14 (pg. 1156)

†Opening Praise and Prayer #439, "Cleanse Me"

Children's Message

(10:30) Installation of 2023 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, Elder and Deacon/Deaconesses Installation and Prayer

Responsive Scripture Reading

#644, "Holy Spirit"

Sermon

"The Holy Spirit - At Work in the World"

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

Statement of Faith - "I Believe in the Holy Spirit"

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

†Sermon Hymn

#259, "Breathe on Me, Breath of God"

Sharing Our Tithes and Offerings and Prayer of Dedication

Offertory

"Spirit Song"

Second Offering - Imagine Your Faith Building Capital Campaign

†Closing Praise

v. 1-3, "Go, My Children, with My Blessing" (insert)

†Spoken Benediction

†Benediction in Song

v. 4, "Go, My Children, with My Blessing"

†Postlude

SCRIPTURE READING

Ephesians 1:3-14 ³ Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in the heavenly realms with every spiritual blessing in Christ. ⁴ For he chose us in him before the creation of the world to be holy and blameless in his sight. In love ⁵ he predestined us to be adopted as his sons through Jesus Christ, in accordance with his pleasure and will-- 6 to the praise of his glorious grace, which he has freely given us in the One he loves. ⁷ In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, in accordance with the riches of God's grace 8 that he lavished on us with all wisdom and understanding. 9 And he made known to us the mystery of his will according to his good pleasure, which he purposed in Christ, ¹⁰to be put into effect when the times will have reached their fulfillment--to bring all things in heaven and on earth together under one head, even Christ. ¹¹In him we were also chosen, having been predestined according to the plan of him who works out everything in conformity with the purpose of his will, ¹²in order that we, who were the first to hope in Christ, might be for the praise of his glory. ¹³And you also were included in Christ when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation. Having believed, you were marked in him with a seal, the promised Holy Spirit, ¹⁴who is a deposit guaranteeing our inheritance until the redemption of those who are God's possession--to the praise of his glory.

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

Holy Spirit, we give all glory to You, for through Your mighty power at work within us, You are able to accomplish infinitely more than we might ask or think. Help us not to grieve You, dear Spirit, but to submit to You and allow Your power to have full sway in us. We thank You for Your gracious presence dwelling within us. Glory to You in the Church and in Christ Jesus. Amen.

NEXT SUNDAY, JANUARY 29TH, 2023

Scripture: Genesis 3:1, 2 Timothy 3:14-17, 2 Peter 1:16-21

Sermon: "The Bible - Inspired, Infallible, Inerrant"

(10:30AM) Youth Praise Team

Belief Topic: The Bible, the Old and New Testament Scriptures, is the uniquely inspired, infallible, and inerrant Word of God – some take it seriously, but not literally.

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SERMON NOTES

Statements of Belief Sermon Series

- One: The Trinity God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit one being in three persons
- ◆ Two: Jesus Immanuel, Messiah/Savior, Lord, the Word Incarnate
- ◆ Three: The Holy Spirit At Work in the World
- 1. Jesus Promises the Holy Spirit John 14:16-18
- 2. Jesus Describes the Work of the Holy Spirit John 16:5-15
- 3. The Holy Spirit convicts people of sin, righteousness, and judgment to come
- 4. The Holy Spirit indwells believers individually and completely in the Church.
- 5. The Holy Spirit develops within the Christian a pure heart which results in Christ-like character expressed in private and public conduct and action.
- 6. Scriptures
 - a. Corinthians 3:16 Don't you know that you yourselves are God's temple and that God's Spirit lives in you?
 - b. Acts 8:29 The Spirit told Philip, "Go to that chariot and stay near it."
 - c. Acts 11:12 The Spirit told me to have no hesitation about going with them. These six brothers also went with me, and we entered the man's house.
 - d. Acts 13:2 While they were worshiping the Lord and fasting, the Holy Spirit said, "Set apart for me Barnabas and Saul for the work to which I have called them."
 - e. 2 Corinthians 13:14 May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
 - f. Acts 5:3-4 Then Peter said, "Ananias, how is it that Satan has so filled your heart that you have lied to the Holy Spirit and have kept for yourself some of the money you received for the land? ⁴ Didn't it belong to you before it was sold? And after it was sold, wasn't the money at your disposal? What made you think of doing such a thing? You have not lied to men but to God."

ANNOUNCEMENT

Toledo Walleye Hockey Game: Faith & Family Night - Come to the Huntington Center to share your faith with other Toledo Walleye fans on Sunday, March 5th! Before the game there will be a pregame session led by Toledo Walleye players and coaches as they discuss their faith and experiences as pro athletes. Puck drops at 5:15PM and there will be free open skate after the game (\$5 skate rental). If you're interested in attending, please sign up on the bulletin board or let Jocelyn



know. Tickets are \$17 each, which includes the pregame session, game ticket, and open skate. Checks or cash can be turned into the church office (memo line to read "Walleye Game"). Please sign up by Sunday, February 5th so Jocelyn can place the ticket order. Transportation details forthcoming dependent upon on the final group size. We hope you'll join us!

JANUARY MISSION-A-MONTH: EMERGENCY CLEANUP BUCKETS

Hurricanes, floods and other disasters are happening more frequently, so when our neighbors around the world experience these unforeseen circumstances, we can help make the road to recovery easier with CWS Cleanup Buckets. These buckets are full of essential home recovery supplies that are needed after a disaster strikes. To give to our Mission-A-Month, simply write "MAM" or "CWS Kits" on Line 11 of your offering envelope, or select "Church World Service" in the "Give to" drop-down menu through Breeze's online giving platform. For more information on CWS, visit https://cwsglobal.org/. For every \$75 collected this month, Church World Service will fill a five-gallon bucket with cleaning items to help a household in need.

TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVANTS

Accompanist (Both) Lynne Christman
Song Leader (Both) Roger Zimmerman
Worship Leader (Both) Kim S. Walker

Acolytes (8:00) Harrison Rohrs (10:30) Ella Yoder

Easy Worship (Both) Kelly Ducey

Sound Tech (8:00) Kelly Ducey (10:30) James Grime

Live Stream (10:30) Ryan Christman

8:00 Usher Jim Grieser Head Usher Greg Walker

10:30 Ushers Tom & Laura Johnson, Todd & Jill Nafziger

DISCOVERY DAILY DEVOTIONAL

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:

Jan 22 From Peril to Praise ------ Psalm 30
Jan 23 All Have a Part to Play ------ Numbers 4:1-28
Jan 24 Relationships Matter ----- Numbers 5
Jan 25 A Life of Dedication ----- Numbers 6:1-21
Jan 26 Blessings Abundant ---- Numbers 6:22-7:11
Jan 27 Partners in the Work ----- Numbers 7:89-8:26
Jan 28 The God Who Guides ----- Numbers 9

WEEK OF JANUARY 22ND AT ST. JOHN'S CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Sun	8:00AM	Worship (Chapel)	
	8:30AM	Pause for Praise (96.1 WMTR)	
	9:15AM	Faith Village/Confirmation/Sunday School	
	10:30AM	Worship (Sanctuary and YouTube Live)	
	11:30AM	GIF Gals (Chapel)	
	12:00PM	Parish Hall Reserved	
	6:00PM	Seekers (Kuntz's Home)	
Mon	6:30PM	Consistory Potluck (Chapel)	
	7:15PM	Consistory (Chapel)	
	8:30PM	Spiritual Council (Chapel)	
Tue	9:15AM	Bible Study (Fireside Room)	
	5:00PM	Community Meal - St. Martin's Lutheran Church (Parish Hall)	
	6:30PM	Fellowship Committee (Chapel)	
Wed	8:30AM	Moms in Prayer (Fireside Room)	
	5:50PM	LOGOS (Parish Hall)	
	6:00PM	Sermon Series Discussion (Parlor)	
	6:45PM	JYF (Parish Hall)/LOGOS (Classrooms)	
	7:00PM	SYF (Youth Room)	
Thu	11:00AM	Staff Meeting (Church Office Closed)	
Fri	4:00PM	Parish Hall Reserved	
Sun	8:00AM	Worship (Chapel)	
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PRAYER JOYS, CONCERNS, AND REQUESTS:

Please pray for...

- Pauline Merillat, mother of Roger Merillat, who is currently undergoing assessments and rehab after a recent fall but has made some progress in the last week.
- David and Mary Augustine, as David spent much of the week at Toledo Hospital being treated for pneumonia.
- Joan Grieser, who is recovering from knee surgery at Rupp Rehab.
- Bev Beaverson, who lives in Fulton Suites in Wauseon, and has some health concerns.
- Rosemarie Schmidt as she recovers from a fall.
- Phyllis Miller, who continues in hospice care at Fairlawn.
- Leah Nafziger, as she continues in treatment to address her chronic headaches.
- Lynne Christman, as she continues with weekly chemo through January 30th.

Those serving in the Armed Forces...

- Brenden Bostelman, Deployed, Jordan (Army) (Grandson of Bill & Kathy)
- Kali Collins, Destin, FL (Air Force) (Granddaughter 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, South Korea (Army) (Son of Keith & Kelli)
- Taylor Pitts, Dayton, OH (Air Force) (Granddaughter of Nan Neill)
- ◆ Shayne Pitts, Dayton, OH (Air Force) (Husband of Taylor)
- Steve Schink, Chesterfield, MI (Coast Guard) (Son-in-law of Ed and Julie Ruffer)

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