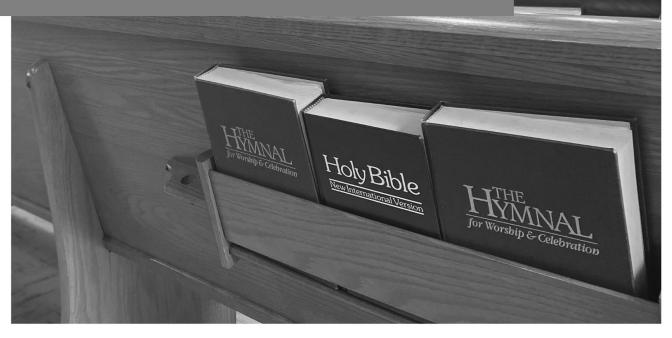
February 12, 2023 | 8:00am & 10:30am

# 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 Car	ndles
Prelude	"Grace Greater Than Our Sin"
Welcome and Announcements Mission of the Month - Archbold FISH Pantry	
Scripture and Opening Prayer	Romans 3:21-24 (pg. 1114)
+Opening Praise	"He Knows My Name"
<sup>+</sup> Passing the Peace of Jesus Christ	
(10:30) Chancel Choir	"O Day of Rest and Gladness"
Children's Message	
Time of Prayer and The Lord's Prayer (debts/debtors) Responsive Hymn	"How Deep the Father's Love for Us"
Scripture Reading	Colossians 2:6-19 (pg. 1166)
Sermon	"Humans - Created in the Image of God"
†Responsive Hymn	#201, "Grace Greater Than Our Sin"
+Statement of Faith - God made humanity in His own in	

every human being is sacred. All men and all women, bearing the image of God, are meant to represent God in His creation. God declares the created order to be very good, distinguishing men and women as His agents to care for, manage and govern over it. Though we failed in our roles, Jesus Christ became like us to redeem us from sin and to restore in us God's image. Amen.

Sharing Our Tithes and Offerings Offertory	"Come Just As You Are"
+The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication	
+Closing Hymn	#297, "I Love to Tell the Story"
+Spoken Benediction	
<sup>+</sup> Benediction in Song	"Sanctuary"
†Postlude	

## SCRIPTURE READING

**Romans 3:21-24** - <sup>21</sup>But now a righteousness from God, apart from law, has been made known, to which the Law and the Prophets testify. <sup>22</sup>This righteousness from God comes through faith in Jesus Christ to all who believe. There is no difference, <sup>23</sup>for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, <sup>24</sup>and are justified freely by his grace through the redemption that came by Christ Jesus.

**Colossians 2:6-19** - <sup>6</sup> So then, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live in him, <sup>7</sup> rooted and built up in him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness.<sup>8</sup> See to it that no one takes you captive through hollow and deceptive philosophy, which depends on human tradition and the basic principles of this world rather than on Christ.<sup>5</sup> For in Christ all the fullness of the Deity lives in bodily form, <sup>10</sup> and you have been given fullness in Christ, who is the head over every power and authority. <sup>11</sup>In him you were also circumcised, in the putting off of the sinful nature, not with a circumcision done by the hands of men but with the circumcision done by Christ, <sup>12</sup>having been buried with him in baptism and raised with him through your faith in the power of God, who raised him from the dead. <sup>13</sup>When you were dead in your sins and in the uncircumcision of your sinful nature, God made you alive with Christ. He forgave us all our sins, <sup>14</sup>having canceled the written code, with its regulations, that was against us and that stood opposed to us; he took it away, nailing it to the cross. <sup>15</sup>And having disarmed the powers and authorities, he made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them by the cross. <sup>16</sup>Therefore do not let anyone judge you by what you eat or drink, or with regard to a religious festival, a New Moon celebration or a Sabbath day. <sup>17</sup>These are a shadow of the things that were to come; the reality, however, is found in Christ. <sup>18</sup>Do not let anyone who delights in false humility and the worship of angels disqualify you for the prize. Such a person goes into great detail about what he has seen, and his unspiritual mind puffs him up with idle notions. <sup>19</sup>He has lost connection with the Head, from whom the whole body, supported and held together by its ligaments and sinews, grows as God causes it to grow.

# **CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER**

God, our Almighty King, I confess, I rarely take time to be in awe of how You chose to create humankind. You made us "in Your image, after Your likeness." May we seek in every moment of our days, to represent You, to show the world Your majesty, might, and mercy; to humble ourselves in the way of Jesus, the ultimate servant-King. Conform us to the likeness of your Son day by day, moment by moment, that we may show the world Your glory. This is the work You have given us to do. In Jesus' transforming name. Amen.

## NEXT SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19TH, 2023

Sermon: "God Created - Male and Female"

Scripture Readings: Matthew 19:4-6 (Genesis 1:27 & 2:24), Genesis 2:7-9 and 21-25, Mark 10:6 Belief Topic: Genesis 1 teaches us God created the human race male and female. We will look at various passages in considering the confusion surrounding gender identity in today's culture.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Payment for Walleye Game If you have not yet paid for your tickets, please turn in a check (memo line to read "Walleye Game") or cash to the church office this week. Tickets are \$17 each, which includes a pregame informational session (3:00PM general admission), game ticket, and post-game open skate.
- Super Bowl Subs Sub orders will be available for pickup after both services of worship. Your free will donation will support our senior high youth ministries.
- Easter Flower Sign-Up Easter flower orders are now open! As in years' past, Easter flowers can be ordered in honor of or in memory of loved ones in your life. Flower selections are listed on the order form posted on the office bulletin board and are \$12 each. Orders are due by Sunday, March 5th. You can also call or email the church office with your order. Flowers will be available for pickup after 10:30AM worship on Easter Sunday.

# SPECIAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING - FEBRUARY 26, 2023

The Consistory has scheduled a special congregational meeting to fill the vacancy in the office of elder as reported in the February edition of the Visitor. Gloria Lauber and Eric Nafziger have each accepted a nomination to fill this office for a two-year term.

On February 26th following the 8:00AM service of worship, Linda Heer, Congregational President, will call the meeting to order and have a count made of those members in attendance. Paper ballots will be passed out and then collected once each member has filled out their ballot. Then the meeting will be recessed.

Following the 10:30AM service of worship, Linda will reconvene the meeting. A count of members will be taken, with paper ballots passed out and then collected. A count will be made of the ballots and the results will be shared prior to the meeting being adjourned. Results will be shared in the bulletin on Sunday, March 5th, as well as in the March Visitor.

#### **TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVANTS**

Accompanist	(Both) Lynne Christman	
Song Leader	(Both) Pastor Ryan Volkman	
Acolytes	(8:00) Courtney Stuckey	(10:30) Jace Bernath
Easy Worship	(Both) Mark Nofziger	
Sound Tech	(Both) Kelly Ducey	
Live Stream	(10:30) Ryan Christman	
8:00 Usher	Linda Heer	
Head Usher	Dave Walker	
10:30 Ushers	Justin, Carrie, Cameron, & Ella Yode	r

# 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:

Feb 12 Reasons to be Glad	Psalm 33
Feb 13 Lord of the Church	Revelation 1:9-20
Feb 14 Perseverance	Revelation 2:1-7
Feb 15 Faithfulness	Revelation2:8-11
Feb 16 Distinctiveness	Revelation 2:12-17
Feb 17 Service	Revelation 2:18-29
Feb 18 Revival!	Revelation 3:1-6

## WEEK OF FEBRUARY 12TH AT ST. JOHN'S CHRISTIAN CHURCH

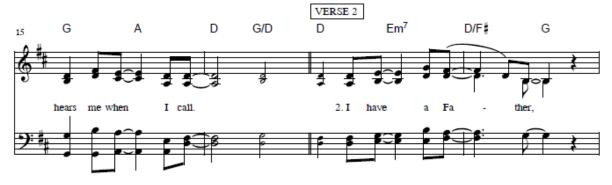
8:00AM	Worship (Chapel)
8:30AM	Pause for Praise (96.1 WMTR)
9:15AM	Faith Village/Confirmation/Sunday School
10:30AM	Worship (Sanctuary and YouTube Live)
7:00PM	Praise Team Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
9:15AM	Bible Study (Fireside Room)
5:00PM	Community Meal - Archbold Rotary (Parish Hall)
7:00PM	Property Committee (Fireside Room)
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)
7:30PM	Chancel Choir (Sanctuary)
11:30AM	Third Thursday Senior Luncheon (Chapel)
11:30AM	GIF Gals (Chapel/Fireside Room)
6:00PM	Girl Scouts (Chapel)
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)
6:00PM	Seekers (Kuntz's Home)
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# He Knows My Name

Words and Music by Tommy Walker

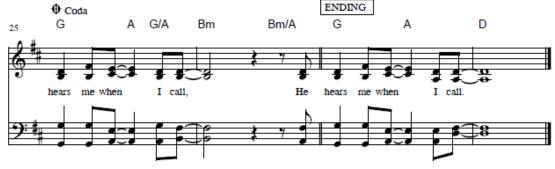


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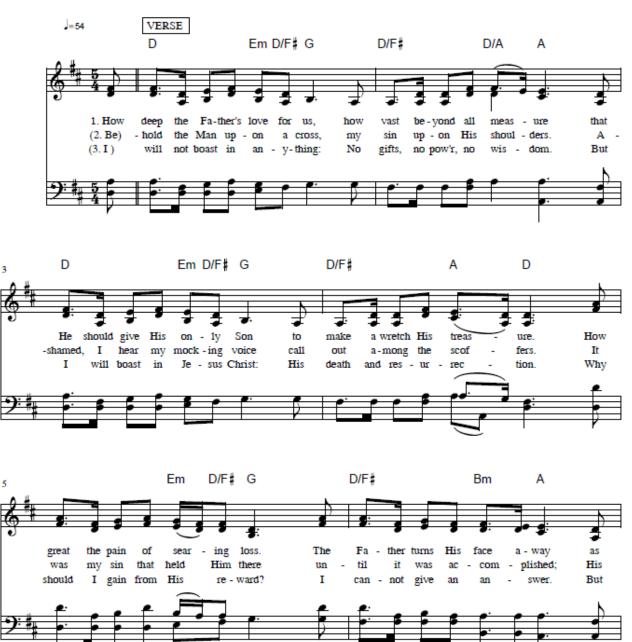


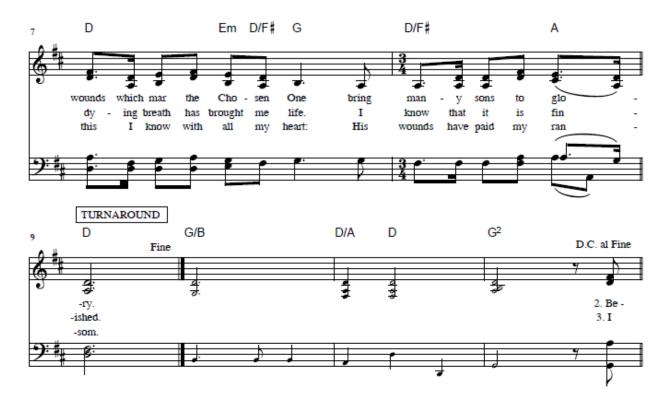




# How Deep The Father's Love For Us

Words and Music by Stuart Townend





# FEBRUARY MISSION-A-MONTH: FISH PANTRY

It is the goal of the Archbold Fish Pantry to assist low-income families on a short-term basis, particularly those in a crisis situation, and to share God's love and grace. In addition to the food pantry, they help families with rent, utility payments, car repairs, or prescriptions. All of the households receiving assistance have an Archbold mailing address, live in the Archbold school district, or attend a church which supports the Archbold Fish Pantry. The Archbold FISH Pantry is completely reliant on the donations from generous people in our community. Items can be dropped off to the white box in the Chapel narthex. High demand items are:

> Flour Canola Oil Refried Beans Toilet Paper

Sugar 1 lb Bags of Rice Pancake Mix Pancake Syrup Shampoo Paper Towels

Monetary donations can be made to FISH on Line 6 of your offering envelope. Thank you for your support of this important local mission!

# PRAYER JOYS, CONCERNS, AND REQUESTS:

Please pray for...

- Larry and Melva Woolace, who have been facing some health concerns with Larry still receiving treatment for cancer and Melva recovering from frequent falls. Prayers are also requested for their son, Monte, who was recently diagnosed with cancer.
- Pauline Merillat, Roger's mother, who remains in rehab after a recent fall.
- David Augustine, who continues to recover at home from pneumonia.
- Joan Grieser, who is recovering well at home. She extends a heartfelt thank you for your prayers, well wishes, cards and visits during her recovery!
- Bev Beaverson, who lives in Fulton Suites in Wauseon, and has some health concerns.
- Rosemarie Schmidt, as she was transferred on Thursday to the Defiance Inpatient Hospice Center after suffering a stroke Tuesday evening.
- Phyllis Miller, who continues in hospice care at Fairlawn.

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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