

March 5, 2023 | 2nd Sunday of Lent | 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!

Ringling of the Tower Bells and Lighting of the Altar Candles

(8:00) Prelude

“He Looked Beyond My Fault”

(10:30) Call to Worship

“He Will Keep You (Psalm 121)”

Welcome and Announcements

Opening Scripture and Prayer

Psalm 121 (pg. 612)

†(8:00) Opening Praise

#191, “There Is Power in the Blood”

“He Set Me Free” (insert)

†(10:30) Opening Praise

“Tell Me the Story of Jesus - medley”

“Born Again - medley”

†Passing the Peace of Christ

Children’s Message

A Lenten Reading

John 3:14-21 (pg. 1051)

Time of Prayer and The Lord’s Prayer (*debts/debtors*)

Scripture

1 Corinthians 11:17-34 (pg. 1136)

Sermon

“The Lord’s Supper”

Sharing of Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

“I Live Medley”

†The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

†Statement of Faith: ***Christ has commanded me and all believers to eat of this broken bread, and to drink of this cup in remembrance of Him. He has promised that His body was offered and broken on the cross for me, and His blood was shed for me. Jesus has promised that He Himself certainly feeds and nourishes my soul to everlasting life with His crucified body and shed blood. Amen.***

†(8:00) Responsive Hymns

“God Loved the World so that He Gave” (insert)

#190, “Are You Washed in the Blood?”

†(10:30) Responsive Praise

“Living Hope”

“Glorious Day”

†Spoken Benediction

†Benediction in Song

#206, “There Is a Redeemer”

†Postlude

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Psalm 121 ¹ I lift up my eyes to the hills- where does my help come from? ² My help comes from the Lord, the Maker of heaven and earth. ³ He will not let your foot slip- he who watches over you will not slumber; ⁴ indeed, he who watches over Israel will neither slumber nor sleep. ⁵ The Lord watches over you- the Lord is your shade at your right hand; ⁶ the sun will not harm you by day, nor the moon by night. ⁷ The Lord will keep you from all harm - he will watch over your life; ⁸ the Lord will watch over your coming and going both now and forevermore.

John 3:14-21 ¹⁴ Just as Moses lifted up the snake in the desert, so the Son of Man must be lifted up, ¹⁵ that everyone who believes in him may have eternal life. ¹⁶ For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. ¹⁷ For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him. ¹⁸ Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe stands condemned already because he has not believed in the name of God's one and only Son. ¹⁹ This is the verdict: Light has come into the world, but men loved darkness instead of light because their deeds were evil. ²⁰ Everyone who does evil hates the light, and will not come into the light for fear that his deeds will be exposed. ²¹ But whoever lives by the truth comes into the light, so that it may be seen plainly that what he has done has been done through God."

1 Corinthians 11:17-34 ¹⁷ In the following directives I have no praise for you, for your meetings do more harm than good. ¹⁸ In the first place, I hear that when you come together as a church, there are divisions among you, and to some ex-

tent I believe it. ¹⁹ No doubt there have to be differences among you to show which of you have God's approval. ²⁰ When you come together, it is not the Lord's Supper you eat, ²¹ for as you eat, each of you goes ahead without waiting for anybody else. One remains hungry, another gets drunk. ²² Don't you have homes to eat and drink in? Or do you despise the church of God and humiliate those who have nothing? What shall I say to you? Shall I praise you for this? Certainly not! ²³ For I received from the Lord what I also passed on to you: The Lord Jesus, on the night he was betrayed, took bread, ²⁴ and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of me." ²⁵ In the same way, after supper he took the cup, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood; do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me." ²⁶ For whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes. ²⁷ Therefore, whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of sinning against the body and blood of the Lord. ²⁸ A man ought to examine himself before he eats of the bread and drinks of the cup. ²⁹ For anyone who eats and drinks without recognizing the body of the Lord eats and drinks judgment on himself. ³⁰ That is why many among you are weak and sick, and a number of you have fallen asleep. ³¹ But if we judged ourselves, we would not come under judgment. ³² When we are judged by the Lord, we are being disciplined so that we will not be condemned with the world. ³³ So then, my brothers, when you come together to eat, wait for each other. ³⁴ If anyone is hungry, he should eat at home, so that when you meet together it may not result in judgment. And when I come, I will give further directions.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ◆ **Easter Flower Sign-Up** - Easter flower orders close today. 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. You can also call or email the church office with your order first thing tomorrow morning. Flowers will be available for pickup after 10:30AM worship on Easter Sunday.
- ◆ **Lenten Jesse Tree** - The St. John's Mission Committee is offering the Lenten Jesse Tree as an alternative to the Lenten Coin Folders. The Jesse Tree is on display in the Sanctuary narthex and will be up through Lent. Donations will help support the Aroles and Back Bay Mission. It's simple: pick an offering denomination card from the tree's branches once or more throughout the season of Lent and drop your donation into the Tree's offering box!
- ◆ **College Scholarships** - Students in the congregation who will be attending college this upcoming 2023 -2024 school year are invited to submit a Scholarship Application, which will be reviewed by the SJCC Scholarship Committee prior to the new school year. The application and requirements can be found at www.stjohnsarchbold.org under the "Resources" tab. Applications are due by April 1st to the church office either via hard copy or emailed to office@stjohnsarchbold.org.
- ◆ **Walleye Game Tonight!** - Thanks in advance for joining us tonight! Your game tickets are valid for all three events; however, you do not have to attend all three. Doors for the Faith Discussion with Toledo Walleye players and coaches begins at 3:00PM with doors opening at 2:00PM. The game itself begins at 5:15PM with a free open skate after the game (\$5 skate rental available). Please gather in Section 121 after the first period horn blows so that we can get a group photo! If you have any questions or want recommendations for dinner or appetizers before the game, please feel free to text Jocelyn at 419-575-4218. See you tonight!

NEXT SUNDAY, MARCH 12TH, 2023 - 3ND SUNDAY OF LENT

Scripture: Romans 5:1-8, John 4:5-26, 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

Sermon: "The Second Coming of Christ"

(10:30) SJCC Chancel Choir: "If It Is Your Will" (Soloist: Scott Reeb)

Belief Topic: The Final Coming of Jesus is a time when Christ will personally come again as savior and judge of the world.

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

God, it is important that I follow what Your Word says about the Lord's Supper. I take the bread and the cup and will do so until Jesus comes again. I am forever grateful for the hope that has been given to me through His sacrifice. Thank you for Communion. Thank You that I am in relationship with You. My sins have been washed and I am now a child of God. Amen.

MISSION-A-MONTH: THE FRIENDSHIP HOUSE



The Friendship House is an Archbold ministry supported by area churches and coordinated by Cecily Rohrs. This two-story home located near downtown Archbold is designed to provide shelter for one or two individual or family units at a time until they are able to become self-sufficient. The Friendship House is endorsed by the Archbold Area Ministerial Association and is coordinated by a volunteer board.

This month, we ask that you prayerfully consider supporting this community ministry that strives to care for those in need of a place to stay and have a fresh start in life. You can designate your offering to this local ministry on Line 8 of your offering envelope or by writing “MAM” on Line 11.

WEEK OF MARCH 5TH AT ST. JOHN'S CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Sun	8:00AM	Worship (Sanctuary)
	8:30AM	Pause for Praise (96.1 WMTR)
	9:15AM	Faith Village/Confirmation/Sunday School
	10:30AM	Worship (Sanctuary and YouTube Live)
	3:00PM	Faith & Family Night @ Toledo Walleye Begins (Huntington Center)
Tue	6:00PM	Seekers (Kuntz's Home)
	9:15AM	Bible Study (Fireside Room)
	5:00PM	Community Meal - St. Martin's Lutheran Church (Parish Hall)
Wed	7:00PM	Mission 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)
Thu	7:00PM	Midweek Lenten Service (Sanctuary)
	8:00AM	Pastor Erich Out of Town (through Friday)
	6:30PM	Evangelism Committee (Fireside Room)
Sat	7:40AM	Men's Prayer Breakfast (Fireside Room)
Sun	8:00AM	Worship (Sanctuary)
	8:30AM	Pause for Praise (96.1 WMTR)
	9:15AM	Faith Village/Confirmation/Sunday School
	10:30AM	Worship (Sanctuary and YouTube Live)

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:

Mar 5 The River of Delights ----- Psalm 36
Mar 6 A Day of Justice ----- Job 24
Mar 7 Can We Be Right with God? ----- Job 25, 26
Mar 8 A Clear Conscience ----- Job 27
Mar 9 Buried Treasure ----- Job 28
Mar 10 The Good Old Days ----- Job 29
Mar 11 Help for the Hurting ----- Job 30

TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVANTS

Accompanist	(Both) Buffy Riley	
Song/Worship Leader	(Both) David Stuckey	
Acolytes	(8:00) Zander Johnston	(10:30) Klaire Kern
Easy Worship	(Both) Brian Roth	
Sound Tech	(8:00) Kelly Ducey	(10:30) James Grime
Live Stream	(10:30) Ryan Christman	
8:00 Usher	Jim Grieser	
Head Usher	Brad Roth	
10:30 Ushers	Dave & Paige Miller, Aimee Roth, Avery Roth	

2023 CONSISTORY CONTACT INFORMATION

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He Set Me Free

Words and Music by
Albert E. Brumley

♩ = 88

VERSE

G G⁷ C

1. Once like a bird in pris - on I dwelt, no free - dom from my
2. Now I am climb - ing high - er each day, dark - ness of night has
3. Good - bye to sin and things that con-found naught of the world shall

4 G Em

sor-row I felt, but Je - sus came and lis-tened to me, and glo - ry to God, He
drift-ed a - way; My feet are plant - ed on high - er ground, and glo - ry to God, I'm
turn me a-round; Dai - ly I'm work - ing, I'm pray - ing too, and glo - ry to God, I'm

CHORUS

8 D⁷ G G⁷ C G

set me free. He set me free, yes, He set me free, and He broke the bonds of
home - ward bound.
go - ing thru.

12 A^7 D D^7 G G^7

pris - on for me; I'm glo - ry bound my

14 C G Em D^7 G

Je - sus to see, for glo - ry to God, He set me free.

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God Loved the World So that He Gave

John 3: 16

Also hat Gott die Welt geliebt

Author unknown, 1791, cento

Tr., August Crull, †1923, alt.

L. M.

St. Crispin

George J. Elvey, 1862

1 God loved the world so that He gave His on - ly
 2 Christ Je - sus is the Ground of faith, Who was made
 3 God would not have the sin - ner die, His Son with
 4 Be of good cheer, for God's own Son For - gives all

' Son the lost to save That all who would in Him be - lieve
 flesh and suf-fered death; All that con-fide in Him a - lone
 sav - ing grace is nigh, His Spir - it in the Word doth teach
 sins which thou hast done, And, jus - ti - fied by Je - sus' blood,

Should ev - er - last - ing life re - ceive.
 Are built on this chief Cor - ner - stone.
 How man the bless - ed goal may reach.
 Thy Bap - tism grants the high - est good. A - men.

5 If thou be sick, if death draw near,
 This truth thy troubled heart can cheer:
 Christ Jesus saves my soul from death;
 That is the firmest ground of faith.

6 Glory to God the Father, Son,
 And Holy Spirit, Three in One!
 To Thee, O blessed Trinity,
 Be praise now and eternally!

PRAYER JOYS, CONCERNS, AND REQUESTS:

Please pray for...

- ◆ Carol DeVries, who was hospitalized for several days last week.
- ◆ The family of Phyllis Miller, who entered into eternal life on February 25th at the age of 90.
- ◆ Bob Vos, who is in Rupp Rehab as he recovers from some health issues.
- ◆ Dan Martinez, who is recovering from shoulder surgery.
- ◆ Blake Grime, who is recovering from ACL surgery.
- ◆ Leah Nafziger, as she experienced a blessed week of treatment two weeks ago and continues in therapy.
- ◆ 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.
- ◆ Chloe Merillat, who is awaiting a biopsy on possible cancer in her left leg.
- ◆ Pauline Merillat, Roger's mother, who is now a resident of Hillside Country Living.
- ◆ Bev Beaverson, who lives in Fulton Suites in Wauseon, and has some health concerns.
- ◆ Kim M. Walker, who will be having knee surgery tomorrow, March 6th.
- ◆ Janet Franks, who will be having shoulder replacement surgery tomorrow, March 6th.
- ◆ Lynne Christman, who will be having surgery on March 23rd for her cancer treatment.

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, San Antonio, TX (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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