

April 9, 2023 | Easter Sunday | 10:30am

ST. JOHN'S CHRISTIAN CHURCH

The Church on the Corner whose Cornerstone is Christ



He is Risen!

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.

Alleluia! He is Risen!

Guests and Visitors

Welcome to SJCC on this glorious Easter morning! We are so glad you have chosen to join us as we worship the Risen 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. We also invite you fill out a quick online form so we can get to know you a little better - simply scan the QR code to the right with your phone's camera while you're waiting for worship to start!



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 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.

Let's Connect!



WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP OF GOD!

Ringing of the Tower Bells and Lighting of the Altar Candles

Prelude All for Him Quartet "Forever"

†Easter Hymn #216, "Christ Arose"

Easter Greetings and Opening Prayer

Chancel Choir "Easter Carol"

Scripture Reading 1 Corinthians 15:1-11 (pg. 1139)

†Easter Hymn #217, "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today"

Easter Prayer and The Lord's Prayer (*debts/debtors*)

Scripture Reading Luke 24:13-35 (pg. 1047)

Children's Message

†Easter Hymn #226, "The Day of Resurrection"

Worship of God with Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

†The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

Easter Message "The Emmaus Realization"

†Easter Hymn #220, "He Lives"

†Spoken Benediction

†Benediction in Song All for Him Quartet "Alive Forever Amen"

†Postlude "Teach Me, Lord"

SCRIPTURE READINGS

1 Corinthians 15:1-11 Now, brothers, I want to remind you of the gospel I preached to you, which you received and on which you have taken your stand.² By this gospel you are saved, if you hold firmly to the word I preached to you. Otherwise, you have believed in vain.³ For what I received I passed on to you as of first importance: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures,⁴ that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures,⁵ and that he appeared to Peter, and then to the Twelve.⁶ After that, he appeared to more than five hundred of the brothers at the same time, most of whom are still living, though some have fallen asleep.⁷ Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles,⁸ and last of all he appeared to me also, as to one abnormally born.⁹ For I am the least of the apostles and do not even deserve to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God.¹⁰ But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace to me was not without effect. No, I worked harder than all of them--yet not I, but the grace of God that was with me.¹¹ Whether, then, it was I or they, this is what we preach, and this is what you believed.

Luke 24:13-35¹³ Now that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem.¹⁴ They were talking with each other about everything that had happened.¹⁵ As they talked and discussed these things with each other, Jesus himself came up and walked along with them;¹⁶ but they were kept from recognizing him.¹⁷ He asked them, "What are you discussing together as you walk along?" They stood still, their faces downcast.¹⁸ One of them, named Cleopas, asked him, "Are you only a visitor to Jerusalem and do not know the things that have happened there in these days?"¹⁹ "What things?" he asked. "About Jesus of Nazareth," they replied. "He was a prophet, powerful in word and deed

4

before God and all the people.²⁰ The chief priests and our rulers handed him over to be sentenced to death, and they crucified him;²¹ but we had hoped that he was the one who was going to redeem Israel. And what is more, it is the third day since all this took place.²² In addition, some of our women amazed us. They went to the tomb early this morning²³ but didn't find his body. They came and told us that they had seen a vision of angels, who said he was alive.²⁴ Then some of our companions went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but him they did not see."²⁵ He said to them, "How foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken!²⁶ Did not the Christ have to suffer these things and then enter his glory?"²⁷ And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he explained to them what was said in all the Scriptures concerning himself.²⁸ As they approached the village to which they were going, Jesus acted as if he were going farther.²⁹ But they urged him strongly, "Stay with us, for it is nearly evening; the day is almost over." So he went in to stay with them.³⁰ When he was at the table with them, he took bread, gave thanks, broke it and began to give it to them.³¹ Then their eyes were opened and they recognized him, and he disappeared from their sight.³² They asked each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he talked with us on the road and opened the Scriptures to us?"³³ They got up and returned at once to Jerusalem. There they found the Eleven and those with them, assembled together³⁴ and saying, "It is true! The Lord has risen and has appeared to Simon."³⁵ Then the two told what had happened on the way, and how Jesus was recognized by them when he broke the bread.

EASTER FLOWERS

GIVEN BY:

Marilyn Baron.....

IN HONOR OF:

Everyone

GIVEN BY:

Erich & Lynne Christman

IN MEMORY OF:

Parents

Brad & Susie Enderle

Parents

Ann Grime.....

Bernice Rice

Dale & Ann Grime.....

Loved Ones

James Grime

Loved Ones

Mary Ellen Johnson

Loved Ones

Rod & Joyce Kinsman

Loved Ones

Gloria Lauber

Loved Ones

Jon & Jan Lindsay.....

Parents & Grandparents

Todd & Jill Nafziger.....

Father, James Schmucker

Betsy Redd.....

Jim Redd

Doug & Nancy Rupp

Loved Ones

Linda Rutledge.....

Loved Ones

The Rutledge Family

Tim Rutledge

Judy Sears & Family.....

Gary Sears

Richard Spiess.....

Cathy Spiess & Parents

Sue Steiner.....

Loved Ones

David & Crissi Stuckey

Phyllis Stuckey

Shawn & Jenna Stuckey.....

Loved Ones

Allie & Evelyn Walker

Ali Held Herman

Corey & Jocelyn Walker.....

Loved One

Dave & Karen Walker

Grandpa & Grandma Mike, Phyllis Miller, &
Joyce Warner

Greg & Kim Walker

Roger & Karen Roth

Flowers are labeled and may be picked up from the base of the cross following 10:30 a.m. service.



CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

Mighty Lord God, Alleluia! The stone was rolled away, the tomb was empty! Alleluia! Jesus Christ is alive, just as he said he would be. Alive today! Not just an historical record, but Jesus is with us now, our Lord's love and forgiveness reigns! I praise you, God, for the miracle of resurrection, for the hope Christ offers to all who believe. Thank you, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, for your mercy and grace and counsel. I pray for your strength to fill me; that I would be more faithful in my devotion and honoring of Jesus Christ, my Lord. In his name, Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ◆ **Special Congregational Meeting on April 30th** - In continuing to follow through on the work of the 2018 Vision Committee, the Consistory has called a special congregational meeting for the purpose of considering a new staff position, that of a Director/Minister of Youth and Young Adults. Information about the proposed position – job description, compensation package and search process are available at a table in the Sanctuary narthex. There will be a special schedule for that morning:
 - 9:00AM Sunday School, Faith Village and Confirmation
 - 10:00AM Worship Service
 - 11:10AM Congregational Meeting
- ◆ **Mission Presentation: Eliot Nofziger, YFC/The Outback** - On Sunday, April 30th, Eliot will be present to share about Youth for Christ and The Outback ministry. Come and learn how YFC continues to impact the lives of youth through the sharing of the Gospel. There will be a time for asking Eliot questions, too. The presentation will be held either in the sanctuary or the chapel, beginning at 9am on April 30th.
- ◆ **Lenten Jesse Tree** - Don't forget to visit the Lenten Jesse Tree, which is on display in the Sanctuary narthex through the end of the day! Donations will help support the Aroles and Back Bay Mission. It's simple: pick an offering denomination card from the tree's branches and drop your donation into the Tree's offering box!
- ◆ **Vacation Bible School 2023** - VBS Registration is now open! See the included insert for registration information or visit www.stjohnsarchbold.org/vbs.

TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVANTS

Accompanist	Lynne Christman
Song Leader	Ryan Volkman
Worship Leader	Roger Zimmerman
Acolyte	Kennedy Hurst
Brass	Andrew Rohrs & Matt Hines
All for Him Quartet	Jocelyn Walker, Buffy Riley, Ryan Volkman, Adam Swisher, and Hailey Wooley (drums)
Easy Worship	Kelly Ducey
Sound Tech	James Grime
Live Stream	Ryan Christman
Head Usher	Dave Walker
10:30 Ushers	Brad & Susie Enderle, Tom & Laura Johnson

WEEK OF APRIL 10TH AT ST. JOHN'S CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Sun	7:00AM	Sunrise Service (Sanctuary)
	8:00AM	Easter Breakfast provided by Life Planning (Parish Hall)
	8:30AM	Pause for Praise (96.1 WMTR)
	8:45AM	Easter Egg Hunt hosted by JYF (Chapel)
	9:15AM	Faith Village/Confirmation/Sunday School
	10:30AM	Easter Worship (Sanctuary and YouTube Live)
Mon	<i>Pastor Erich will be out of the office the week of April 10th - 16th</i>	
Tue	9:15AM	Bible Study (Fireside Room)
	5:00PM	Community Meal - St. Peter Catholic Church (Parish Hall)
	7:00PM	Property Committee (Fireside Room)
Wed	8:30AM	Moms in Prayer (Fireside Room)
	5:50PM	LOGOS Meal (Parish Hall)
	6:00PM	Second Year Confirmation (Parlor)
	6:45PM	LOGOS/JYF
	7:00PM	Life Planning (Work Night)
Sat	1:15PM	Sanctuary Reserved
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)
	6:00PM	Seekers (Kuntz's Home)

APRIL MISSION-A-MONTH: GROWING HOPE GLOBALLY (GHG)

Growing Hope Globally started when Stryker, Ohio farmers, Vernon and Carol Sloan, met with a handful of Christian organizations that fund and run international food security programs and decided to use the proceeds from crops raised and sold in the U.S. to fund agricultural development programs overseas. That seed of an idea has blossomed into a network of community Growing Projects in more than 20 states.

The local growing project is located on the NE corner of St. Rt. 34 and County Road 2275 in Williams County and is a joint effort between First Lutheran Church in Stryker, Stryker United Brethren Church, and St. John's Christian Church. The 2022 growing project raised \$12,811.41 that was sent on to GHG to help people find lasting solutions to hunger. All donations collected during the month of April will go towards the 2023 growing project. You can give to GHG by writing "MAM" or "GHG" on Line 11 of your offering envelope.

PRAYER JOYS, CONCERNS, AND REQUESTS:

Please pray for...

- ◆ John Beck and family, upon the death of John's mother, Laura Jane Beck, age 91. She entered eternal life on April 4th. Services will be on April 22 at North Clinton Church.
- ◆ Tracy Warren, as he continues to recover from recent ankle surgery.
- ◆ Jodi Beltz, who is waiting on an appointment at Cleveland Clinic, as another fracture has been detected in the opposite leg, making six fractures in two years.
- ◆ Carol DeVries, as she continues to recover from some back issues.
- ◆ Larry and Melva Woolace, and their son, Monte, as they continue to go through cancer treatments for Larry and Monte, and health concerns for Melva.
- ◆ Janet Franks, as she continues to recover from recent shoulder surgery.
- ◆ Leah Nafziger, as she continues in therapy.
- ◆ Bev Beaverson, who lives in Fulton Suites in Wauseon, and has some health concerns.

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)

ST. JOHN'S CHRISTIAN CHURCH

700 S. Defiance St., Archbold, Ohio 43502
419-446-2545 † www.stjohnsarchbold.org

Pastor - Rev. Erich Christman (Cell: 419-551-0401)

Pastor of Music & Worship - Rev. Ryan Volkman (Cell: 325-213-0671)

Administrative Assistant - Jocelyn Walker (office@stjohnsarchbold.org)