

# 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.

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. We also invite you to fill out a quick survey 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.







#### WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP OF GOD!

Ringing of the Tower Bells and Lighting of the Altar Candles

Prelude "Surely the Presence/Holy Spirit, Thou Art Welcome"

Welcome and Announcements

†Call to Worship

L: By sending down a confusion of languages, the Most High scattered the nations. By distributing the tongues of fire, God calls all people into unity.

- C: In harmony we glorify the Holy Spirit.
- L: In a mighty wind rushing down from the heavens, the Most High trumpets Good News. And those who once cast nets into the sea now cast Your Word to fish among people.
- C: We worship and glorify the Holy Spirit. May the Savior who opens the gates of Paradise open our hearts to wisdom and truth.

**†**Our Declaration of Trust

- L: Congregation of Jesus Christ, in whom are you trusting?
- C: Our help is in the name of the Lord who made heaven and earth.
- L: Grace, mercy and peace to you in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen!

†Opening Praise "Wind Who Makes All Winds That Blow" (insert)

†Prayer of Confession and Hymn #429, "Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying" †Assurance of God's Pardon and Hymn #345, v. 1, "Blessed Assurance"

†Passing the Peace of Christ

Children's Message

(10:30) Recognition of 2023 Graduates

Scripture Acts 1:8, 2:5-12 (pg. 1077)

Prayer for Illumination and Hymn #254, "Heavenly Spirit, Gentle Spirit"
Sermon "Endlessly Speaking"

Prayer of the Church and The Lord's Prayer (debts/debtors)

Sharing of Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory "Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart"

†Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

†Our Affirmation of God's Plan for Us: The Spirit thrusts God's people into worldwide mission. He impels young and old, men and women, to go next door and far away with the good news of God's grace. The Spirit goes before them and with them, convincing the world of sin and pleading the cause of Christ.

†Hymn "Lord, You Give the Great Commission" (insert)

†Profession of Faith - The Apostles' Creed (back inside cover of hymnal)

**Holy Communion** 

†Sending Hymn #301, "Go Ye into All the World"

†Words of Sending

†The Blessing

†Postlude

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#### SCRIPTURE READING

Acts 1:8, 2:5-12 – <sup>8</sup> But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." <sup>5</sup> Now there were staying in Jerusalem God-fearing Jews from every nation under heaven. <sup>6</sup> When they heard this sound, a crowd came together in bewilderment, because each one heard them speaking in his own language. <sup>7</sup> Utterly amazed, they asked: "Are not all these men who are speaking Galileans? <sup>8</sup> Then how is it that each of us hears them in his own native language? <sup>9</sup> Parthians, Medes and Elamites; residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, <sup>10</sup>Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya near Cyrene; visitors from Rome <sup>11</sup>(both Jews and converts to Judaism); Cretans and Arabs--we hear them declaring the wonders of God in our own tongues!" <sup>12</sup>Amazed and perplexed, they asked one another, "What does this mean?"

#### **CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER**

God of Wind and Fire, we celebrate today the indwelling of Your Holy Spirit, which You sent upon the believers on the day of Pentecost, and which is our blessing today. Lord, we thank You for the transforming work of Your Holy Spirit in our lives and through our lives toward others. We thank You have given us boldness to proclaim the Gospel. Remind us to use Your power to do the work You have given us. Amen.

# TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVANTS

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Accompanist	(Both) Lynne Christman		
Song Leaders	(Both) Roger Zimmerman		
Worship Leader	(Both) Kim S. Walker		
Acolytes	(8:00) Camryn Stuckey	(10:30) Madison Bowers	
Easy Worship	(Both) Kelly Ducey		
Sound Tech	(8:00) Kelly Ducey	(10:30) James Grime	
Live Stream	(10:30) Ollie MacDonald		
8:00 Usher	Linda Heer		
Head Usher	Dave Walker		
10:30 Ushers	Ben & Sue Buehrer, Ryan & Keira Christman		

## THANK YOU, DEAN!



Dean Buckenmeyer will conclude 11 years of service as the St. John's Christian Church custodian this upcoming Tuesday, May 30th. Dean has played a key role in many of the day-to-day functions and activities within the church during his time of employment with us, including setups for Wednesday evening children and youth ministries; setups and tear downs for family gatherings, funerals, and weddings; meticulously counting chairs in the Parish Hall for large church gatherings like Rally Sunday and Easter Sunday, ensuring everyone had a place to sit and fellowship with one another; all while keeping our church facility clean and tidy. On behalf of our congregation and community, thank you for your dedication and hard work while serving St. John's. As you now complete your final years ahead of retirement from Sauder Woodworking, we pray for many blessings for you and Jane Pearl as you enjoy a slower pace of life with much more free time together!

#### HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES

#### **Carly Grime**

Carly, daughter of Jed and Jen Grime, will graduate from Archbold High School this afternoon. She was an FCCLA member and earned All-League recognition in both golf and basketball, as well as OHSAA Award of Excellence for exemplary sportsmanship, ethics, and integrity. Carly will attend Lourdes University this fall majoring in Special Education while continuing her golf career on the Lourdes University women's golf team.

## **Krayton Kern**

Krayton, son of Keith and Kim Kern, will graduate from Archbold High School this afternoon. He was All-Ohio in football, soccer, and baseball, as well as All-Great Lakes Region in soccer. He was a National Football Foundation scholar athlete and was on the 2021 state runner-up team in baseball. In 2023, he earned NWOAL Player of the Year in baseball while carrying an overall GPA of 3.84. Krayton will be attending Adrian College in the fall continuing both baseball and football.

## **Kristen Riley**

Kristen, daughter of Buffy Riley, will graduate from Archbold High School this afternoon. She plans to take her basic EMT and Fire 1 classes this fall through Four County Career Center, where she plans on eventually becoming a paramedic.

#### **COLLEGE GRADUATES**

#### **Clay Nafziger**

Clay, son of Todd & Jill Nafziger, will graduate this summer from Kent State University with a degree in Finance. He will then continue to work for Northwestern Mutual in Akron, Ohio.

#### **Gabby Nafziger**

Gabby, daughter of Todd and Jill Nafziger, graduated from Spring Arbor University in Michigan on May 13th with a degree in Communications. She played softball all four years while attending college. In the fall, Gabby will be attending Ohio University to begin her master's degree in Journalism.

#### **Callie Rohrs**

Callie, daughter of Andrew and Lori Rohrs, graduated summa cum laude with Presidential Honors from Bowling Green State University on April 29th with her bachelor's degree in Education. She will be getting married to Andrew Francis at the end of June and they will move to Columbus the beginning of August where she will begin teaching in the Columbus area.

#### **Kreighton Sims**

Kreighton, son of Brian and Lynne Roth, graduated from Purdue Fort Wayne on May 10th with a degree in Construction Engineering. He is now a full-time Project Engineer at Weigand Construction in Fort Wayne.

#### Aiden Warncke

Aiden, son of Tony and Missy Warncke, graduated magna cum laude in December 2022 from the University of Toledo with a bachelor's degree in Business Administration. During his last two semesters at UT he served as the President of Sigma Phi Epsilon. He currently resides in Orlando, Florida and is employed as a Sales Representative for Otis Elevator.



#### **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:

May 28 Glory Into Glory	2 Corinthians 3:7-18
May 29 Telling the Truth	2 Corinthians 4:1-6
May 30 Down But Not Out	2 Corinthians 4:7-12
May 31 Don't Lose Heart	2 Corinthians 4:13-18
Jun 1 Head in the Clouds?	2 Corinthians 5:1-10
Jun 2 Life Is for Living	2 Corinthians 5:11-6:2
Jun 3 The Cost of Discipleship	2 Corinthians 6:3-13

# WEEK OF MAY 28TH AT ST. JOHN'S CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Sun	8:00AM	Worship (Sanctuary)
	8:30AM	Pause for Praise (96.1 WMTR)
	9:15AM	Youth Breakfast & Senior Recognition (Parish Hall)
	9:15AM	Faith Village/Confirmation/Sunday School
	10:30AM	Worship (Sanctuary and YouTube Live)
	12:00PM	Private Family Service (Chapel)
Mon	Memorial Day - Church Office Closed	
Tue	9:15AM	Bible Study (Fireside Room)
Fri	5:30PM	Sanctuary and Chapel Reserved - Piano Recital
Sun	8:00AM	Worship (Sanctuary)
	8:30AM	Pause for Praise (96.1 WMTR)
	9:15AM	Confirmation/Sunday School
	10:30AM	Worship (Sanctuary and YouTube Live)
	6:00PM	Vacation Bible School Begins!

# **NEXT SUNDAY, JUNE 4TH**

Sermon Scripture: Hebrews 10:15-25, Galatians 5:13-17, 25

Sermon: "The Spirit's Cadence"

Guest Preacher: Tony Frank, World Team

#### STELLAR VBS - ONE WEEK AWAY!

There's still time to register! VBS will begin next Sunday, June 4th and will run from 6:00-8:30PM. The program is designed for children in preschool (4YR) through sixth grade. You can get registered today by scanning the code to the right with your phone's camera or by going to www.stjohnsarchbold.org/vbs. Thank you to the many members and friends in our church community who donated items to make this week possible!



Register!

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Search Committee for Pastor of Youth & Young Adults Consistory is seeking individuals who would be willing to serve on the Search Committee for the newly approved position of Pastor of Youth & Young Adults. If you are interested in serving on this committee, please email the church office or let a member of Consistory know.
- GIF Gals On Monday, June 5th, the Gals are scheduled to go to Annie Foote's home. She has invited us for lunch at 12:00PM followed by a program on flowers. We will leave from the church at 11:30AM and have scheduled a rain date for June 19th. Please sign up on the bulletin board by today!
- Family Night at the Toledo Mud Hens The church office is organizing another Family Night outing on June 25th to watch the Toledo Mud Hens! First pitch will take place at 4:05PM and kids will have the opportunity to run the bases after the game. Tickets are \$11 each and can be reserved by contacting the church office or by signing up on the bulletin board by June 4th.

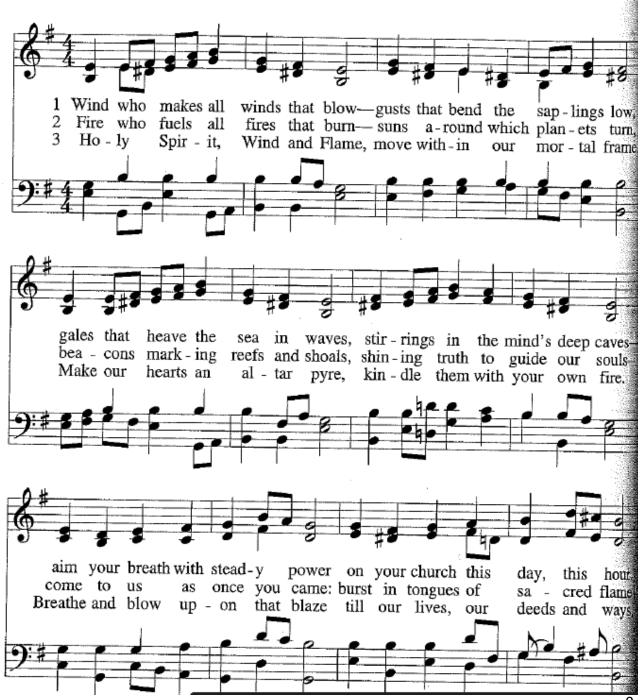
# MAY MISSION-A-MONTH: CHERRY STREET MISSION & SPARROW'S NEST

Today is the final Sunday of the month to donate to the May Mission-a-Month! We ask that you prayfully consider supporting Cherry Street Mission and Sparrow's Nest by checking line item 3 on your weekly offering envelope or with a memo of "M-A-M."

Senior high school lock-in on Thursday evening to end the school year! The evening was organized by Josh Reeb and Gavin Walker and included 22 area youth for a fun night of movies and fellowship! Many thanks to chaperones, Ryan & Keira Christman and Kenny Walker.

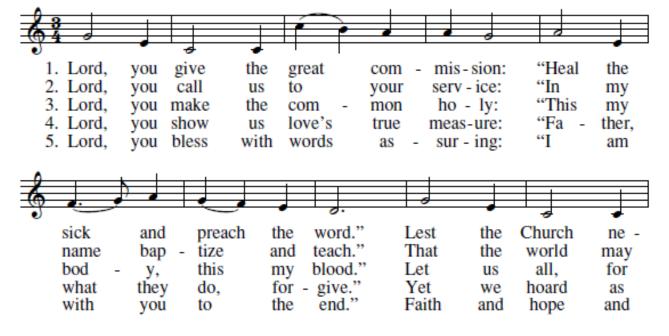


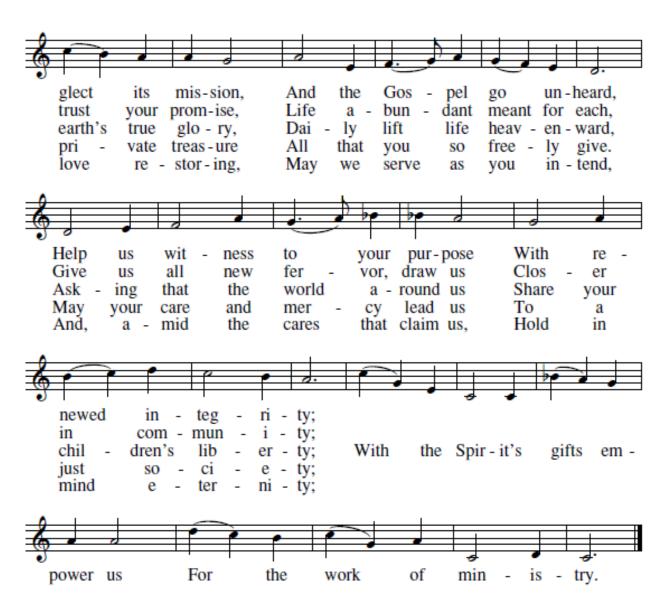
# 333 Wind Who Makes All Winds That Blow





# Lord, You Give the Great Commission





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# PRAYER JOYS, CONCERNS, AND REQUESTS:

#### Please pray for...

- ◆ Leah Nafziger, who will be seeing a functional neurologist in Grand Rapids, MI on 5/30 for further testing and treatment.
- ◆ Lynda Schnitkey, who is recovering well from a successful surgery on 5/15.
- Warren Prince, father of Stacy Rutledge, who is in the hospital dealing with some medical problems. Prayers for Stacy as she drives back and forth to Grand Rapids, MI, to provide support to her parents and sister.
- Warren Sauder, who is recovering from a procedure on his heart on 5/18.
- Brittany & Jared Badenhop, daughter and son-in-law of Deb & Greg Weddelman, as their unborn child has been diagnosed with Spina Bifida. Recent scans have showed improvement in the unborn child's health situation, praise be to the Lord!
- Chloe Merillat, and her parents, Keith and Jawn, as they make further decisions on how to best handle Chloe's recent diagnosis.
- Larry and Melva Woolace, and their son, Monte, as they continue to go through cancer treatments for Larry and Monte. Monte has two more cancer treatments to go before an operation to take place in July.
- Pastor Erich and Lynne Christman, as Erich continues to recover from total knee replacement surgery while Lynne began radiation treatments this past week.

#### Those serving in the Armed Forces...

- Brenden Bostelman, Oak Grove, KY (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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