



September 10, 2023 | 8:00am & 10:30am | Rally Sunday

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.

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!



“BBFF” - Burgers, Brats, Fellowship & Fun!

All are invited to join us in the Parish Hall after our 10:30AM service of worship for lunch and fun! We'll also have an inflatable obstacle course, bounce house, and GaGa Ball in the East Lawn. BIN-GO and other games will be held in the Parish Hall after lunch! Finally, don't forget to visit the photo booth outside of the chapel and be sure to tag us if you post online!

Nursery Care/Mother's Room/Diaper Changing Stations

Nursery Care will be offered during the 10:30AM service beginning on October 1st! Children ages four months through preschool can get registered for Nursery Care online at www.stjohnsarchbold.org/nursery. 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!

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 today upon request. Just ask an usher!

Let's Connect!



ORDER OF WORSHIP

The Ringing of the Tower Bells

Welcome, Announcements, and Prayer

Scripture: Psalm 57:8-11 - "Awake, my soul! Awake, harp and lyre! I will awaken the dawn. ⁹ I will praise you, O Lord, among the nations; I will sing of you among the peoples. ¹⁰ For great is your love, reaching to the heavens; your faithfulness reaches to the skies. ¹¹ Be exalted, O God, above the heavens; let your glory be over all the earth."

Hymn: "Morning Has Broken"

(Verse 1)

Morning has broken

Like the first morning

Blackbird has spoken

Like the first bird

Praise for the singing!

Praise for the morning!

Praise for them springing

Fresh from the Word!

(Verse 2)

Sweet the rain's new fall

Sunlit from heaven

Like the first dewfall

On the first grass

Praise for the sweetness

Of the wet garden

Sprung in completeness

Where His feet pass

(Verse 3)

Mine is the sunlight!

Mine is the morning

Born of the one light

Eden saw play!

Praise with elation

Praise ev'ry morning

God's recreation

Of the new day!

Scripture: Job 12:7-10 - "But ask the animals, and they will teach you, or the birds of the air, and they will tell you; ⁸ or speak to the earth, and it will teach you, or let the fish of the sea inform you. ⁹ Which of all these does not know that the hand of the Lord has done this? ¹⁰ In his hand is the life of every creature and the breath of all mankind."

Hymn: "All Creatures of Our God and King"

(Verse 1)

All creatures of our God and King

Lift up your voice and with us sing

Alleluia, alleluia!

Thou burning sun with golden beam

Thou silver moon with softer gleam

O praise Him, O praise Him

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Amen.

(Verse 2)

Thou flowing water pure and clear

Make music for thy Lord to hear

Alleluia, alleluia!

Thou fire so masterful and bright

That givest man both warmth and light

O praise Him, O praise Him

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Amen.

(Verse 3)

Let all things their Creator bless

And worship Him in humbleness

O praise Him, alleluia!

Praise praise the Father praise the Son

And praise the Spirit Three in One

O praise Him, O praise Him

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Amen.

Scripture: Revelation 5:13 - "Then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and on the sea, and all that is in them, singing: "To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and honor and glory and power, for ever and ever!"

Hymn: "The Wonder of It All"

(Verse 1)

*There's the wonder of sunset at evening
The wonder as sunrise I see
But the wonder of wonders that thrills my
soul
Is the wonder that God loves me*

(Verse 2)

*There's the wonder of springtime and harvest
The sky the stars the sun
But the wonder of wonders that thrills my
soul
Is a wonder that's only begun*

*(Chorus) O the wonder of it all the wonder of it all, Just to think that God loves me, O the
wonder of it all the wonder of it all, Just to think that God loves me*

Scripture: Psalm 8:1-4, 9 - "O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth! You have set your glory above the heavens. ²From the lips of children and infants you have ordained praise because of your enemies, to silence the foe and the avenger. ³When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars, which you have set in place, ⁴what is man that you are mindful of him, the son of man that you care for him? ⁹O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

Hymns: "Majesty" and "Let's Just Praise the Lord"

Majesty

*Majesty worship His majesty
Unto Jesus be all glory
Honor and praise
Majesty kingdom authority
Flow from His throne
Unto His own His anthem raise
So exalt lift up on high
The name of Jesus
Magnify come glorify
Christ Jesus the King
Majesty worship His majesty*

*Jesus who died now glorified
King of all kings*

Let's Just Praise the Lord

*Let's just praise the Lord
Praise the Lord
Let's just lift our hearts to heaven
And praise the Lord
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And praise the Lord*

Scripture Reading of 1 Corinthians 1:4-9: "I always thank God for you because of his grace given you in Christ Jesus. ⁵For in him you have been enriched in every way – in all your speaking and in all your knowledge – ⁶because our testimony about Christ was confirmed in you. ⁷Therefore you do not lack any spiritual gift as you eagerly wait for our Lord Jesus Christ to be revealed. ⁸He will keep you strong to the end, so that you will be blameless on the day of our

Lord Jesus Christ. ⁹ God, who has called you into fellowship with his Son Jesus Christ our Lord, is faithful.”

The Strength and Encouragement of Fellowship

Children’s Message

The Enjoyment of God’s Creation

Prayer Time

Scripture Reading of Acts 2:42-47: “They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. ⁴³ Everyone was filled with awe, and many wonders and miraculous signs were done by the apostles. ⁴⁴ All the believers were together and had everything in common. ⁴⁵ Selling their possessions and goods, they gave to anyone as he had need. ⁴⁶ Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, ⁴⁷ praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved.”

Morning Message: “Discipleship and Fellowship”

(8:00) Hymn: “The Church’s One Foundation”

(Verse 1)

*The Church's one foundation
Is Jesus Christ her Lord
She is His new creation
By water and the Word
From heav'n He came and sought her
To be His holy bride
With His own blood He bought her
And for her life He died*

(Verse 2)

*Elect from every nation
Yet one o'er all the earth
Her charter of salvation
One Lord one faith one birth
One holy name she blesses
Partakes one holy food
And to one hope she presses
With every grace endued*

(Verse 3)

*'Mid toil and tribulation
And tumult of her war
She waits the consummation
Of peace forevermore
Till with the vision glorious
Her longing eyes are blest
And the great Church victorious
Shall be the Church at rest*

(Verse 4)

*Yet she on earth hath union
With God the Three in One
And mystic sweet communion
With those whose rest is won
O happy ones and holy
Lord give us grace that we
Like them the meek and lowly
On high may dwell with Thee*

(10:30) Closing Songs: "God of Wonders" and "Shout to the Lord"

God of Wonders

Lord of all creation

Lord of water, earth and sky

The heavens are your Tabernacle

Glory to the Lord on high

God of wonders beyond our galaxy

You are holy, holy

The universe declares Your majesty

You are holy, holy

Lord of heaven and earth

Lord of heaven and earth

Early in the morning

I will celebrate the light

When I stumble in the darkness

I will call your name by night

God of wonders beyond our galaxy

You are holy, holy

The universe declares Your majesty

You are holy, holy

Lord of heaven and earth

Lord of heaven and earth

*Hallelujah! To the Lord of heaven
and earth*

*Hallelujah! To the Lord of heaven
and earth*

*Hallelujah! To the Lord of heaven
and earth*

You are holy

God of wonders beyond our galaxy

You are holy, holy

*Precious Lord, reveal Your heart to
me*

Father, hold me, hold me

The universe declares Your majesty

You are holy, holy, holy, holy

God of wonders beyond our galaxy

You are holy, holy

*Precious Lord, reveal Your heart to
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Father, hold me, hold me

*Hallelujah! To the Lord of heaven
and earth*

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and earth*

Shout to the Lord

My Jesus, my Savior

Lord there is none like You

All of my days I want to praise

The wonders of Your mighty love

My comfort, my shelter

Tower of refuge and strength

Let every breath, all that I am

Never cease to worship You

*Shout to the Lord all the Earth, let
us sing*

*Power and majesty, praise to the
King*

*Mountains bow down and the seas
will roar*

At the sound of Your name

*I sing for joy at the work of Your
hands*

*Forever I'll love You, forever I'll
stand*

*Nothing compares to the promise I
have*

In You

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In You

Exit Offering

Spoken Benediction

(8:00) Postlude

SEPTEMBER MISSION-A-MONTH: TOLEDO GOSPEL RESCUE MISSION

TGRM Donation Collection - September 24th

As in previous years, we'll be collecting items for TGRM once again! TGRM will be here on September 24th to collect donations but you're welcome to drop them off throughout the month until that date! Please coordinate with the church office if you plan to drop off donations so that we can meet you at the storage barn (text Jocelyn at 419-575-4218).

Items requested are:

- ◆ Gently used blankets and sheets, particularly twin sheets (fitted and flat)
- ◆ Bath towels and wash cloths
- ◆ Cleaning supplies, liquids and sponges
- ◆ Gently used winter coats (men's, women's, and children's needed)
- ◆ Gently used clothing for infants and toddlers

TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVANTS

Accompanist	(Both) Lynne Christman	
Worship Leader	(Both) Linda Heer	
Song Leader	(Both) Andrew Rohrs	
Children's Message	(Both) Nancy Rupp	
Sound Tech	(8:00) Kelly Ducey	(10:30) James Grime
Live Stream	(8:00) Ryan Christman	
8:00 Usher	Shawn Stuckey	
Head Usher	Dave Walker	
10:30 Ushers	Ben & Sue Buehrer, Scott & JoAnn Short	

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ◆ **Parent Meeting** - LOGOS, JYF/Confirmation, and SYF/Life Planning parents are encouraged to attend a parent meeting ahead of the new ministry year on September 13th at 6:30PM in the Parish Hall. If you cannot attend, please contact Kim M. Walker or the church office.
- ◆ **Special Congregational Meeting** - A Special Congregational Meeting has been called for Sunday, September 17th to address the next phase of the building project. A congregational vote will be needed to approve the Opinion of Probable Construction Cost (OPCC) and a three page informational document is available on a narthex table. Additional information about the meeting and worship schedule that morning can be found in the September issue of The Visitor.
- ◆ **Silent Prayer Walk, "Come 2023"** - Please join on Saturday, September 30th at 9:00AM for "Come," a silent prayer walk through the Village of Archbold. "Come" will be held at the North and South side of Archbold. A silent walk, but loud in presence. This is not a church event but rather a call for "The Church" to come together to pray for our country, residents, schools, children, businesses, churches, resources, etc. The walk will begin at Ruyhley Park (North walk) or Archbold Elementary School (South walk). To end the prayer walk, we will all meet at Ruyhley Park with some worship and final prayer together. For those who cannot walk, we will have prayer booths at each location. For more information, please call Jane Rosario 419-202-0741 or Karen Gerig 419-966-3647.

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

Sun	8:00AM	Worship (Chapel & YouTube Live)
	8:30AM	Pause for Praise (96.1 WMTR)
	9:15AM	Rally Sunday Celebration (Sanctuary)
	10:30AM	Outdoor Worship (East Lawn)
	12:00AM	BBFF - Burgers, Brats, Fellowship & Fun!
	3:00PM	TGRM Meal & Chapel
Mon	7:00PM	Personnel Committee (Fireside Room)
	7:00PM	Praise Team Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
Tue	9:15AM	Bible Study (Fireside Room)
	7:00PM	Property Committee (Fireside Room)
Wed	5:30PM	Search Committee (Fireside Room)
	6:30PM	Parent Meeting for LOGOS, JYF/Confirmation, SYF/LP (Parish Hall)
Fri	8:30AM	Moms in Prayer (Fireside Room)
Sun	9:00AM	Faith Village/Sunday School
	10:00AM	Worship (Sanctuary and YouTube Live)
	11:10AM	Special Congregational Meeting (Sanctuary and Zoom)

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:

Sep 10 My Rock and My Salvation-----Psalm 62
Sep 11 Money Matters ----- 1 Timothy 6:1-10
Sep 12 Summing Up----- 1 Timothy 6:11-21
Sep 13 From Indignity to Victory ----- 2 Samuel 10
Sep 14 From Victory to Indignity ----- 2 Samuel 11
Sep 15 Not a Leg to Stand On ----- 2 Samuel 12:1-14
Sep 16 Sons, Sin, and Assurance ----- 2 Samuel 12:15-31

MUSIC & WORSHIP MINISTRY

In this time of leadership transition in our music and worship ministries, church leadership is tending to the following aspects of ministry:

- ◆ Greeters – we are looking for four people each Sunday to serve as greeters, two to be at the south entrance and two to be at the accessible entrance, from 10:00am to 10:30am. The hope is that the four people could serve all Sundays of a month, just as our ushers serve a month at a time.
- ◆ Song Leaders – we are looking for a person to join in the monthly rotation of leading singing during our Sunday morning services of worship. Each song leader serves one Sunday a month, leading singing at both services of worship. If there is someone willing to sub in as a song leader on an as needed basis, that would be a blessing!
- ◆ Worship Leaders – we are seeking two people to join in the rotation, serving one Sunday morning every two months, leading at both services of worship. Worship leaders share in leading prayers, reading scripture, offering and special readings.
- ◆ Lay Readers – we have a few slots open for people of the congregation to read the morning sermon scripture – serving once a month, at either the 8am or 10:30am service.
- ◆ Children’s Moment Leaders – in the joy of sharing and teaching with children, we hope to add several volunteers to this special rotation so that a person would share once every two months. If you’ve listened to children’s moments, you know what it is about!
- ◆ Chancel Choir – singers are invited to put the following dates on their calendars:
 - o Wednesday, October 4th, 7:30PM – Chancel Choir Practice
 - o Wednesday, October 18th, 7:30PM – Chancel Choir Practice
 - o Sunday, October 22nd – Chancel Choir will sing during the 10:30AM service of worship

Girls' Weekend



October 6 - 8th

Friday @ 7:00pm - "The Unknown Tour"

"A girl's night out of comedy, worship, music, and speakers focused on the journey through life's unknowns." Carpooling to Ogden Church in Adrian from the church at 5:30pm. Tickets \$20 each.

Saturday @ 6:00pm - Mother/Daughter Movie Night

This one's for the littlest ladies in our congregation but we'd love to see daughters, mothers, and grandmothers alike! Come in cozy pajamas with some blankets or a sleeping bag and join us in the chapel at 6:00pm for a family-friendly movie and popcorn. Free event!

Sunday @ 2:00pm - Ladies Talk & Tea

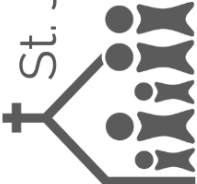
A tea party for girls and women of all ages in our congregation. Dress for the occasion (we hope you have some fun with this!) and join us for tea and lemonade, petite sandwiches, and delicious desserts. We'll be offering a program on our uniqueness as women of faith and you won't want to miss it! Held on the East lawn at 2:00pm. Tickets \$5 each.

Register at <https://stjohnschristianchurch.breezechms.com/form/WomensWeekend>
Questions? Contact Jocelyn Walker at office@stjohnsarchbold.org



Christian Education at St. John's Christian Church

St. John's Christian Church
700 S. Defiance St.
419-446-2545
Sunday Worship: 8a & 10:30a



LOGOS: Pre-K - 5th Grade
Wednesday Evenings | 5:50 - 8:00 p.m.
September thru April | **Dinner provided*

JYF: 6th - 8th Grade
Wednesday Evenings | 6:50- 8:00 p.m.
September thru April

SYF: 9th - 12th Grade
Wednesday Evenings | 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.
September thru May

Life Planning: 9th - 12th Grade
2nd Wednesday each Month | 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.
September thru May

To learn more, visit www.stjohnsarchbold.org/christian-education

PRAYER JOYS, CONCERNS, AND REQUESTS:

Please pray for...

- ◆ Dianne Wyrick, who is recovering at home from a recent fall that required a new hip joint.
- ◆ Jack Stover, who continues to recover at home from a recent stroke.
- ◆ Chloe Merillat, as the scan results show improvement in both spots of cancer, one in one leg and one in her back, so she will stay on the same medication.
- ◆ Monte Woolace, who is doing okay day to day, and will have further tests on September 12th with possible surgery after that.

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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