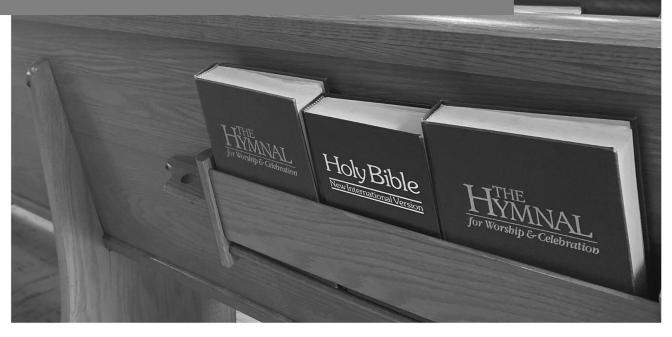
November 5, 2023 | 8:00am & 10:30am

# 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.

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!



#### Nursery Care/Mother's Room/Diaper Changing Stations



Nursery Care is offered during 10:30AM service for children ages four months through preschool across from the church office. Parents can register children for Nursery Care online at www.stjohnsarchbold.org/nursery or by scanning the QR code to the left before checking into the nursery for the first time. 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 Welcome and Announcements (8:00) Prelude "Come, Christians Join to Sing" (10:30) Call to Worship "Let Everything That Has Breath Praise the Lord" <sup>+</sup>(8:00) Hymn Praise of God's Majesty & Power #28, "How Majestic Is Your Name" #29, "Glorify Thy Name" #30, "How Majestic Is Your Name" #31, "Great Is the Lord" Psalm 138 (p. 617) +Scripture & Prayer +(8:00) Hymn #8, "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" +(10:30) Praise Songs "God is on the Move" "Shout to the North" <sup>†</sup>Greeting One Another in the Peace of Jesus Christ Children's Message Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer (debts/debtors) Scripture Romans 12:1-8 (p. 1123) "In the Rifted Rock" (Insert) +(8:00) Hymn +(10:30) Song "We Are an Offering" "God Continues to Be Active" Sermon Sharing of Our Tithes and Offerings Offertory "Give Thanks" <sup>+</sup>The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication #106, "Praise Him! Praise Him!" +(8:00) Closing Hymn "Everlasting God" +(10:30) Closing Song **+**Spoken Benediction +(8:00) Benediction in Song #116, v. 1, "Take the Name of Jesus with You" Chorus, "Everlasting God" +(10:30) Benediction in Song +Postlude

### SCRIPTURE READING

**Psalm 138:1-8** I will praise you, O Lord, with all my heart; before the "gods" I will sing your praise. <sup>2</sup> I will bow down toward your holy temple and will praise your name for your love and your faithfulness, for you have exalted above all things your name and your word. <sup>3</sup> When I called, you answered me; you made me bold and stouthearted. <sup>4</sup> May all the kings of the earth praise you, O Lord, when they hear the words of your mouth. <sup>5</sup> May they sing of the ways of the Lord, for the glory of the Lord is great. <sup>6</sup> Though the Lord is on high, he looks upon the lowly, but the proud he knows from afar. <sup>7</sup> Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you preserve my life; you stretch out your hand against the anger of my foes, with your right hand you save me. <sup>8</sup> The Lord will fulfill his purpose for me; your love, O Lord, endures forever -- do not abandon the works of your hands.

**Romans 12:1-8** Therefore, I urge you, brothers, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God -- this is your spiritual act of worship. <sup>2</sup> Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is-- his good, pleasing and perfect will. <sup>3</sup> For by the grace given me I say to every one of you: Do not think of yourself more highly than you ought, but rather think of yourself with sober judgment, in accordance with the measure of faith God has given you. <sup>4</sup> Just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function, <sup>5</sup> so in Christ we who are many form one body, and each member belongs to all the others. <sup>6</sup> We have different gifts, according to the grace given us. If a man's gift is prophesying, let him use it in proportion to his faith. <sup>7</sup> If it is serving, let him serve; if it is teaching, let him give generously; if it is leadership, let him govern diligently; if it is showing mercy, let him do it cheerfully.

### **CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER**

Lord, I am thinking of your servant Job, who called out to you within the stormy nature of his life. Though you spared his life, he lived through times of great tragedy and grief, yet he persevered through by his faith in you. When tragedy comes, people often question your love – how could you allow it to happen? Yes, there are too many reminders of the sin and evil in this world, but there are so many signs and reminders of your presence and guidance in life, too. Guide us, O Lord God, to see the work of your mighty hands, working around us and through us to be blessings of light and love in people's lives. To your glory, I pray. Amen.

### NEXT SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12TH, 2023

Scriptures: Exodus 33:14, Mark 6:30-31, Matthew 11:25-30 Sermon: "Remember and Rest" Nursery Assistants (10:30): Corey and Jocelyn Walker

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

- First Aid & CPR Training First Aid and CPR Training has been a topic of discussion, as our newly formed Church Safety and Security Committee works through risk assessment, administrative and policy items. As the committee works on future training opportunities, it would be helpful to know who in the congregation is already trained in one or both of these areas. If you are trained, we would appreciate having you contact the church office so we can record your name and training on our contact list.
- Archbold Alumni Choir If the Archbold Choir Program has touched your life in any way, you are invited to sing in the Archbold Alumni Choir! Rehearsal will be held on December 16th from 9:30AM-2:30PM (lunch will be provided) with a concert performance on December 17th at 3:00PM. More info can be found on the bulletin board or by searching "Archbold Vocal Music Department" on Facebook. Paper registration forms are available in the church office.
- Community Info Event The Welcome Place Support Group of Archbold will be having a guest speaker from the Alzheimer's Assoc. of Perrysburg, Ohio, Tuesday, November 7 at 1:00 PM at St. Martin's Lutheran Church, Archbold, Ohio. The public is invited to come and learn more about Alzheimer's and forms of Dementia. Questions: contact Bonnie R. Lauber: 419-445-9516, brlauber@yahoo.com
- "Everywhere, Still" If you are a widow or widower, you are invited to a free dinner and program on November 14th provided by Weeping Willow Florist. The evening includes hors' doeuvres, complimentary pictures by Ambria, dinner served by Man Cave Ministries, and a program provided by Weeping Willow Florist. Please call Weeping Willow to register by November 7th at 419-445-7773.

Accompanist	(Both) Buffy Riley	
Song Leader	(8:00) David Stuckey	(10:30) Praise Team
Lay Readers	(8:00) Joshua Reeb	(10:30) Avery Roth
Acolytes	(8:00) Jude Rutledge	(10:30) Tucker Johnston
Easy Worship	(Both) Brian Roth	
Sound Tech	(8:00) Jenna Stuckey	(10:30) James Grime
Live Stream	(10:30) Ryan Christman	
Nursery Assistants	(10:30) Eric and Anna Yoder	
8:00 Usher	Shawn Stuckey	
10:30 Head Usher	Greg Walker	
10:30 Ushers	Eric & Sarah Nafziger, Ryan & Jill Holdgreve	

## TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVANTS

## 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:

Nov 5 Hurry Up, God!Psalm 70
Nov 6 The Prophet's Prayer Jeremiah 32:16-44
Nov 7 Ancient, New, and Forever Jeremiah 33
Nov 8 A Rather Ordinary Man Jeremiah 34
Nov 9 Jesus Above All Else Luke 9:51-62
Nov 10 Unsurprising Setbacks Luke 10:1-16
Nov 11 Real Joy Luke 10:17-24

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

Sun	8:00AM	Worship (Sanctuary)	
	8:30AM	Pause for Praise (96.1 WMTR)	
	9:15AM	Faith Village/Sunday School	
	10:30AM	Worship (Sanctuary and YouTube Live)	
Tue	9:15AM	Bible Study (Fireside Room)	
	5:00PM	Community Meal - Archbold Area Schools (Parish Hall)	
	6:45PM	Mission Committee (Fireside Room)	
Wed	10:00AM	Building Committee - Interior Design Team (Sanctuary)	
	6:00PM	LOGOS (Parish Hall)/Confirmation (Confirmation Room)	
	7:00PM	JYF (Fireside Room)/Life Planning (Chapel)	
Fri	8:30AM	Moms in Prayer (Fireside Room)	
Sat	7:40AM	Men's Prayer Breakfast (Fireside Room)	
	9:00AM	Search Committee (Fireside Room)	
	12:00PM	Parish Hall Reserved	
Sun	8:00AM	Worship (Sanctuary)	
	8:30AM	Pause for Praise (96.1 WMTR)	
	9:00AM	Veteran's Breakfast (Parish Hall)	
	9:15AM	Faith Village/Sunday School	
	10:30AM	Worship (Sanctuary and YouTube Live)	
	6:00PM	Seekers Small Group (Kuntz's Home)	

#### **MISSION ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### November Mission-A-Month: Fulton County Christmas Cheer

Each holiday season for over 40 years, Fulton County Christmas Cheer is the one organization that unites the entire county in serving our needy. Food, gas and utility prices keep increasing for all of us. This has made it even more challenging for our Fulton County neighbors who are elderly, disabled or in need for other reasons.

Cheer will once again invite about 1,200 Fulton County families to participate in the personalized shopping experience in the Junior Fair building in Wauseon. With a Cheer volunteer, those who have registered by the deadline are greeted, and with a shopping cart, they select canned goods, cereals, detergents, and hygiene items they most enjoy. From the General Store, they may select from hats, gloves, mittens, blankets, towels and other items. Families with children are then welcomed into the store of wonderful new toys. It's all about the dignity of choice, and although it takes a little longer, the recipients are overwhelmingly thankful for the chance to choose.

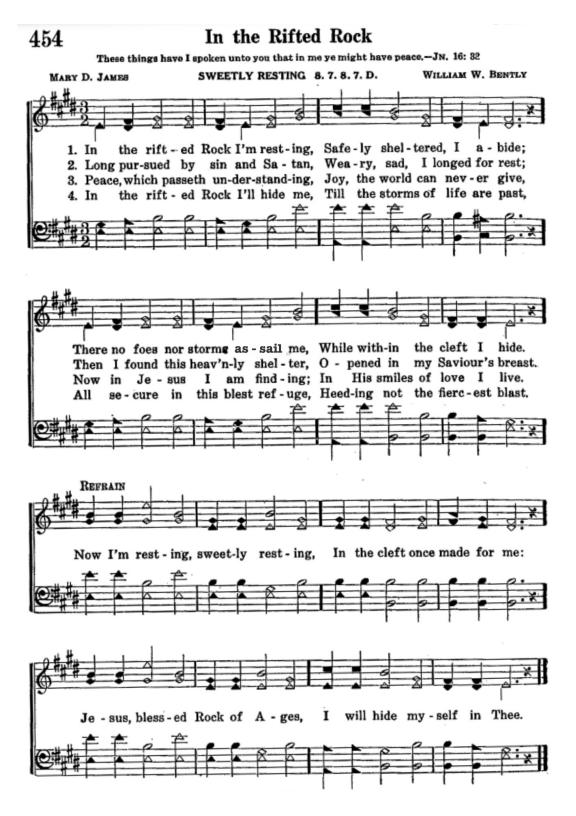
St. John's will once again participate in the Cheer Tree Tags for this local mission project. The Cheer Tree will be in the sanctuary narthex through the month of November, decorated with tags of some specific items needed for the Cheer giveaway. Purchased items can be dropped off in the Donation Center's bin in the chapel narthex on or before Sunday, November 26th. You can also make financial donations to Fulton County Christmas Cheer by writing "MAM" on line 11 of your weekly offering envelope. Thank you for your kindness and generosity in helping local families this Christmas season!

#### Fish Pantry: Call for Help

The Archbold FISH Pantry is in need of a volunteer or volunteers to help with the food bank pickup order. Ideally, this volunteer would have a pickup truck, trailer, or access to something like a minibus.

We only need help with pickups once per month. That is typically on a Monday morning pick up in Toledo the day before our first pantry day. At the pickup the volunteer would have to load the items purchased from the food bank. The items could be cases of chicken broth, cases of diapers, cases of fresh produce, and sometimes even eggs and baked goods.

At this time, we are looking for an individual from St. John's who could be this volunteer in February, as it is also the same month in which St. John's acts as the sponsor church for the FISH Pantry. If there's someone willing to do more than just February, we're sure the pantry wouldn't mind! If you have any questions or if you'd like to serve as this volunteer, please contact the church office and we'll get you in touch with FISH!



## PRAYER JOYS, CONCERNS, AND REQUESTS:

Please pray for...

- Debbi Russell, who is recovering from surgery to repair a broken elbow due to a fall.
- Shiela Short, who continues in therapy while making plans to travel back to home.
- Mary Ellen Johnson, who is dealing with continual pain due to the fractured disc in her back and now has an infection in her leg. She had an MRI on Thursday to assess the fracture.
- Alice Tedrow, who continues recovering from a recent fall.
- Dianne Wyrick, who will continue in therapy at a rehab center for two more weeks.
- Jack Stover, who is doing well these days, thankful for his healing!
- Monte Woolace, who is doing okay day to day, and continues to await further treatment.
- A local man who is dealing with many issues surrounding the recent death of his fiancée, pray for his strength and for his peace.

Those serving in the Armed Forces...

- Brenden Bostelman, Oak Grove, KY (Army) (Grandson of Bill & Kathy)
- 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)

## GIDEON CARD MINISTRY

As a way of encouraging, caring and supporting people, there are Gideon cards available in the sanctuary narthex. Card themes include: Thinking of you...Praying for You...Sympathy...In Recognition. Each card enables the sender to donate towards Gideon Bible distributions, too. As the Gideon's say, Give a Card, Send the Word, Change a Life!

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