

November 12, 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.

Let's Connect!



WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP OF GOD!

Ringing of the Tower Bells and Lighting of the Altar Candles

Welcome and Announcements

Fulton County Christmas Cheer - Lilli Radabaugh

Opening Scripture & Prayer

Exodus 33:12-14 (p. 87), Mark 6:30-31 (p. 996)

Prelude

“Peace Medley”

†Congregational Hymns

#1, “Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”
#59, “I Sing the Mighty Power of God”

†Greeting One Another in the Peace of Jesus Christ

Children’s Message

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

Special Music

Joshua Reeb

“Yes, I Will”

Scripture

Matthew 11:25-30 (p. 966)

Sermon

“Remember and Rest”

Sharing of Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

“O Master, Let Me Walk With Thee”

†The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

†Closing Hymn

#345, “Blessed Assurance”

†Spoken Benediction

†Benediction in Song

#604, “Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name”

†Postlude

SCRIPTURE READING

Exodus 33:12-14 Moses said to the Lord, "You have been telling me, 'Lead these people,' but you have not let me know whom you will send with me. You have said, 'I know you by name and you have found favor with me.'¹³ If you are pleased with me, teach me your ways so I may know you and continue to find favor with you. Remember that this nation is your people."¹⁴ The Lord replied, "My Presence will go with you, and I will give you rest." **Mark 6:30-31** The apostles gathered around Jesus and reported to him all they had done and taught.³¹ Then, because so many people were coming and going that they did not even have a chance to eat, he said to them, "Come with me by yourselves to a quiet place and get some rest."

Matthew 11:25-30 At that time Jesus said, "I praise you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and learned, and revealed them to little children."²⁶ Yes, Father, for this was your good pleasure.²⁷ "All things have been committed to me by my Father. No one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and those to whom the Son chooses to reveal him."²⁸ "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest."²⁹ Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.³⁰ For my yoke is easy and my burden is light."

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

1 Peter 5:7 – "Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you."

God, you know my struggles, you know my anxious thoughts, you know the burdens that are weighing me down. I thank you for the words of the Bible that speak to me of refuge and rest, such as Psalm 46 and Psalm 91. Help me to experience your rest, and your peace. Remind me of all the ways you have been faithful to me, lest I forget about your presence, strength and care for me. I pray for the counsel of the Holy Spirit, that I would not be afraid, that I would fully trust you as I live each day. Thank you for your gracious love and mercy. In Christ I pray. Amen.

NEXT SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19TH, 2023

Scriptures: 2 Corinthians 9:6-15

Sermon: "The Heritage of Thanksgiving"

10:30AM Music

Chancel Choir, "Thanksgiving"

Jr. Hand Bell Choir, "It Is Well with My Soul"

Jr. Chimes Choir, "Count Your Blessings"

Nursery Assistants (10:30): Brooke Hines & Emily Hines

SERMON NOTES



“YOU HAVE MADE US FOR YOURSELF, O LORD, AND OUR HEART IS RESTLESS UNTIL IT RESTS IN YOU.” ST. AUGUSTINE

TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVANTS

Accompanist	(Both) Lynne Christman	
Worship Leader	(Both) Linda Heer	
Song Leader	(Both) Roger Zimmerman	
Children's Message	(Both) Nancy Rupp	
Acolytes	(8:00) Dawson Martz	(10:30) Claire Bowers
Easy Worship	(Both) Mark Nofziger	
Sound Tech	(8:00) Kelly Ducey	(10:30) James Grime
Live Stream	(10:30) Ollie MacDonald	
Nursery Assistants	(10:30) Corey & Jocelyn Walker	
8:00 Usher	Shawn Stuckey	
10:30 Head Usher	Greg Walker	
10:30 Ushers	Eric & Sarah Nafziger, Ryan & Jill Holdgreve	

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ◆ **GIF Gals** - Gif Gals, can you believe it's almost Thanksgiving? Every year time seems to go by so fast! With winter coming around soon, many of us are likely to be homebound more often, so how about another get together before that happens? We will be meeting on November 27th at 5:30PM at Downtown Restaurant here in Archbold. Please sign up on the bulletin board by November 19th so that reservations can be made. Looking forward to being together again!
- ◆ **Shepherd Training** - If you sat in on the presentation on Shepherd Circle given by Cecily Rohrs a few weeks ago and you're interested in being trained as a shepherd, please let Pastor Erich know within the next week or two. If you missed the presentation and would like to learn more about this, we will gladly get you in touch with Cecily Rohrs!
- ◆ **Parade of Lights** - St. John's will once again have a float participating in Archbold's Parade of Lights on Friday, November 24th at 6:30PM here in the Village. Our float theme is "follow the lights to St. John's Christian Church," which will invite the Village to our Candlelight Christmas Eve service. If you would like to walk with the float during the parade and help pass out Christmas service postcards or glow sticks, please contact the church office. Thank you!
- ◆ **Junior Choral Society Performance** - The Junior Choral Society will be giving their first concert tonight at 7:00PM, along with the Zion Choir at Zion Mennonite Church, 300 Short-Buehrer Road, Archbold. We've been invited to come listen to this select children's choir, with students in grades 4-8, sing and harmonize to create beautiful music together!
- ◆ **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.

NOVEMBER MISSION-A-MONTH: FULTON COUNTY CHRISTMAS CHEER

St. John's will once again participate in the Cheer Tree Tags for this local mission project that helps nearly 1,200 local families in need. The Cheer Tree is located in the Donation Center outside of the chapel through the month of November, decorated with tags of some specific items needed for the Cheer giveaway. Additional tags are available for pickup in the church office, as well. Purchased items can be dropped off in the Donation Center's bin in 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!

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 12 Snapshots -----Psalm 71
Nov 13 Selflessness ----- Luke 10:25-37
Nov 14 Focus on What's Better ----- Luke 10:38-42
Nov 15 Dependence ----- Luke 11:1-4
Nov 16 Great Expectations ----- Luke 11:5-13
Nov 17 Reassurance ----- Luke 11:14-28
Nov 18 Lighten Up ----- Luke 11:29-36

WEEK OF NOV. 12TH AT ST. JOHN'S CHRISTIAN CHURCH

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 (Short's Home)
Mon	7:00PM	Praise Team Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
Tue	9:15AM	Bible Study (Fireside Room)
	5:00PM	Community Meal - St. John Lutheran Church (Parish Hall)
	7:00PM	Property Committee (Fireside Room)
Wed	6:00PM	LOGOS (Parish Hall)/Confirmation (Confirmation Room)
	7:00PM	JYF (Fireside Room)/SYF (Youth Room)
	7:30PM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
Thu	11:30AM	Third Thursday Senior Luncheon (Chapel)
	6:00PM	Girl Scouts (Chapel)
Fri	8:30AM	Building Committee (Fireside Room)
	8:30AM	Moms in Prayer (Chapel)
Sat	8:00AM	MTA Music Festival (Sanctuary)
	11:00AM	Service in Memory of Jim Nicolén (Chapel & Gym)
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)
	3:00PM	TGRM Meal & Chapel - BASIC Sunday School Class

PRAYER JOYS, CONCERNS, AND REQUESTS:

Please pray for...

- ◆ Buffy Riley and family, upon the death of her mother, Donna Wyse, at the age of 89. Visitation is scheduled for 11/18 at 2:00PM with service to follow at 3:00PM at Lockport Mennonite.
- ◆ Mel Nafziger, Jim Grieser's sister, who is at home in hospice care due to brain cancer.
- ◆ Rory Prigge, Katie Link's father, who is in the hospital dealing with heart issues.
- ◆ Debbi Russell, as she recovers from surgery to repair a broken elbow due to a fall.
- ◆ Shiela Short, who is in therapy at Rupp Rehab.
- ◆ Mary Ellen Johnson, who continues to experience much pain in her back.
- ◆ Alice Tedrow, who continues recovering from a recent fall.
- ◆ Dianne Wyrick, who will continue in therapy at a rehab center for another week.
- ◆ Jack Stover, who is doing well these days and thankful for his healing!
- ◆ Monte Woolace, who continues to go through treatment for cancer.

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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