

February 18, 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 our 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 & Announcements

(8:00) Prelude

“Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart”

(10:30) Call to Worship

“Create in Me a Clean Heart”

Scripture and Prayer of Invocation

Psalm 25:1-10 (p. 545)

†(8:00) Opening Hymns

#201, “Grace Greater Than Our Sin”

#338, “At Calvary”

†(10:30) Opening Praise Songs

“Today is the Day”

“No Longer I”

†Passing the Peace of Christ

Children’s Message

Special Music

Sarah Nafziger & Jocelyn Walker

“My God Can”

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

†Sermon Hymn

#247, “Spirit of the Living God”

Scripture Reading

Mark 1:9-15 (p. 990)

Sermon

“Repentance”

Sharing of Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

“O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus”

†The Doxology (#625) and Prayer of Dedication

†(8:00) Closing Hymn

#335, “Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus”

†(10:30) Closing Praise Song

“Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus (Amazing Grace)”

†Spoken Benediction

†(8:00) Benediction in Song

#202, v. 1, “Amazing Grace”

†(10:30) Benediction in Song

“Amazing Grace”

†Postlude

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 25:1-10 To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul; ² in you I trust, O my God. Do not let me be put to shame, nor let my enemies triumph over me. ³ No one whose hope is in you will ever be put to shame, but they will be put to shame who are treacherous without excuse. ⁴ Show me your ways, O Lord, teach me your paths; ⁵ guide me in your truth and teach me, for you are God my Savior, and my hope is in you all day long. ⁶ Remember, O Lord, your great mercy and love, for they are from of old. ⁷ Remember not the sins of my youth and my rebellious ways; according to your love remember me, for you are good, O Lord. ⁸ Good and upright is the Lord; therefore he instructs sinners in his ways. ⁹ He guides the humble in what is right and teaches them his way. ¹⁰ All the ways of the Lord are loving and faithful for those who keep the demands of his covenant.

Mark 1:9-15 At that time Jesus came from Nazareth in Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. ¹⁰ As Jesus was coming up out of the water, he saw heaven being torn open and the Spirit descending on him like a dove. ¹¹ And a voice came from heaven: "You are my Son, whom I love; with you I am well pleased." ¹² At once the Spirit sent him out into the desert, ¹³ and he was in the desert forty days, being tempted by Satan. He was with the wild animals, and angels attended him. ¹⁴ After John was put in prison, Jesus went into Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God. ¹⁵ "The time has come," he said. "The kingdom of God is near. Repent and believe the good news!"

TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVANTS

Accompanist	(Both) Buffy Riley	
Song/Worship Leader	(Both) Andrew Rohrs	
Acolytes	(8:00) Kamy Link	(10:30) Ethan Krukowski
Lay Readers	(8:00) Molly Rutledge	(10:30) Aimee Roth
Easy Worship	(Both) Tom Hines	
Sound Tech	(8:00) Jenna Stuckey	(10:30) James Grime
Live Stream	(10:30) Ollie MacDonald	
Nursery Assistants	(10:30) Brooke & Emily Hines	(2/25) Karen Walker & Molly Rutledge
8:00 Usher	Linda Heer	
Head Usher	Dave Walker	
10:30 Ushers	Keith & Kelli Kuntz, Bill & Kathy Bostelman	

SERMON OUTLINE: REPENTANCE

In the religious sense, the Greek word for repentance conveys the concept of “to turn back, away from, or toward.” The realities of heartfelt sorrow for sin, remission of judgment, return from captivity and the coming time of salvation are associated with repentance.

Psalms 25 – a prayer for mercy when suffering through the effects of sin

- ◆ To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul
- ◆ No one whose hope is in you will ever be put to shame
- ◆ Show me your ways, O Lord, teach me your paths
- ◆ Remember not the sins of my youth and my rebellious ways

Mark 1:9-15

- ◆ Jesus came from Nazareth
- ◆ Baptized by John
- ◆ Heaven being torn open
- ◆ The Spirit descending like a dove
- ◆ A voice came from heaven
- ◆ The Spirit sent him out into the desert (40 days)
- ◆ Tempted by Satan, angels attended him
- ◆ John was put in prison (an interesting note)
- ◆ Jesus – proclaiming the good news of God
- ◆ The time has come
- ◆ The Kingdom of God is near
- ◆ Repent and believe the good news

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ◆ **Red Cross Blood Drive Sponsored by SJCC** - St. John's is sponsoring the upcoming Blood Drive at Ruihley Park on March 5th, which will run from 11:00AM to 5:00PM. We are in need of volunteers to make our sponsorship possible. There is a sign up sheet under the "volunteer" section of the bulletin board for cookies, food servers, and check-in. Your help is appreciated! Finally, please consider making an appointment to donate blood that day by calling 1-800-733-2767 or going online to RedCrossBlood.org and enter sponsor code: RUIHLEYPARK.
- ◆ **Women's Retreat** - Spend a weekend growing in your walk with Jesus alongside friends and worshipping with other women from throughout the Midwest! The retreat will take place at Miracle Camp the weekend of April 12th-14th. Register online at www.miraclecamp.com/womensretreat/. Questions? Contact Carrie Wooley at cwpink@hotmail.com.
- ◆ **GIF Gals** - The Gals are scheduled to have lunch at The Barn Restaurant this Thursday, February 22nd at 11:30AM. Please sign up on the bulletin board by today. Hope you'll join us!
- ◆ **Easter Flowers** - The 2024 Easter Flower order form is posted on the office bulletin board. Flowers selections include a variety of colors of daffodils, lilies, hyacinths, tulips, and mums, and are \$12.00 each. Orders are due by Sunday, March 3rd. Contact Jocelyn if you have any questions or special requests.
- ◆ **Save the Date for the Mud Hens!** - Start your summer planning by adding the Toledo Mud Hens to your calendar on June 30th! The church has 60 tickets on reserve for the Sunday afternoon game. Contact the church office if you'd like to request tickets for your household. More details will be coming soon.

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

O Lord, your mantra of Genesis 1 speaks of your creative handiwork – "And God saw that it was good." All that you made was very good, including us, including me! Thank you, Lord, for your goodness. Yet, we sin, in weakness or in spite of our faith, we give in to temptation. Forgive us, Lord, draw us closer, walking in the footsteps of Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith. May our Lenten journey be one of growth and victory as we look towards the cross of Calvary. Amen.

MISSION-A-MONTH: ARCHBOLD FISH PANTRY

This month, you can help support the mission of the Archbold FISH pantry with donated goods or financial contributions (indicate on Line 6 of your offering envelopes). Donated items can be placed in the white mission box in the chapel narthex. Monetary donations allow the pantry to purchase needed items in bulk. Thank you for your support in offering help and hope to those in need!

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:

Feb 18 This Is God! ----- Psalm 82
Feb 19 God Who Loves ----- Hosea 2:14-3:5
Feb 20 Unfaithful People ----- Hosea 4:1-5:7
Feb 21 Moving the Boundaries ----- Hosea 5:8-6:11a
Feb 22 A God Who Longs... ----- Hosea 6:11b-7:16
Feb 23 Broken Idols ----- Hosea 8:1-9:9
Feb 24 Disappointed God ----- Hosea 9:10-10:15

WEEK OF FEB. 18TH 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)
Mon	6:15PM	Spiritual Council (Fireside Room)
	7:15PM	Consistory (Fireside Room)
Tue	9:15AM	Bible Study (Fireside Room)
	5:00PM	Community Meal - St. Martin's Lutheran Church (Parish Hall)
Wed	6:00PM	LOGOS (Gym)/Confirmation (Confirmation Room)
	7:00PM	JYF (Fireside Room)/SYF (Youth Room)
	7:00PM	Evening Lenten Service (Sanctuary)
	8:00PM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
Fri	8:30AM	Moms in Prayer (Fireside Room)
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)
	6:00PM	Seekers Small Group (Kuntz's Home)

NEXT SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25TH, 2024

(10:30) Chancel Choir: "Step into the Water"

Scriptures: Psalm 22:23-31, Mark 8:31-38 (Jesus Predicts His Death)

Sermon: "It's a Plain Message"

PRAYER JOYS, CONCERNS, AND REQUESTS:

Please pray for...

- ◆ Jacob and Stephanie Layton, as they welcomed Nash Robert into the world on 2/9 at 8:08AM, weighing 8lb, 2oz., and 19.5" long. Celebrating with them are big siblings, Clair and Briggs, and grandparents, Randy and Kathy Layton.
- ◆ Maxine Martin, who is in Rupp Rehab after breaking her ankle.
- ◆ Ben & Sue Buehrer, as Ben recovers from neck surgery. He is out of ICU and therapy is pleased with his progress. The plan is to move to a rehab center in Toledo.
- ◆ Stuart & Rhonda Short, as Stuart's biopsy revealed the cancer is in the small bowel and liver, not the pancreas. They meet with an oncologist this week.
- ◆ Keira Christman, as her grandmother, Helen Grandey, entered eternal life on 2/11.
- ◆ Regina Beck, as she begins chemo tomorrow in Toledo.
- ◆ Jodi Beltz, as she continues to heal from the surgery on her left leg and awaits the same procedure on her right leg, once the left is fully healed.
- ◆ Neil Miller, son of Dorothy, who continues having tests in preparation for cancer treatment.
- ◆ Larry, Mel, Monte Woolace, and family members, as they are dealing with several health issues.
- ◆ For the Search Committee as they prepare to make a recommendation to the Consistory.

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)
- ◆ Shayne Pitts, Dayton, OH (Air Force) (Grandson-in-law of Nan Neill)
- ◆ 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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