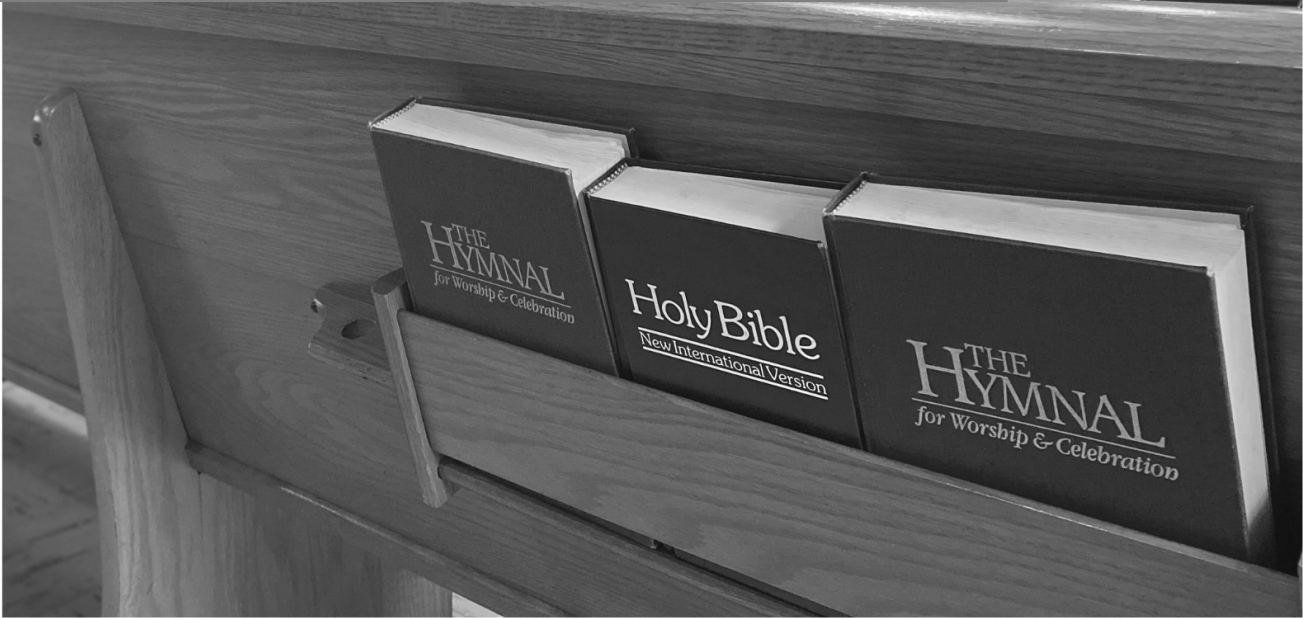


October 6, 2024 | 8:00am & 10:30am

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!

Enter to Worship God in the Fellowship of Others

Please offer a prayer for yourself, those around you, and those leading worship.

Ring of the Tower Bells and Lighting of the Altar Candles

The lighted candles symbolize God's presence and Christ, the Light of the World.

Welcome & Announcements

†(8:00) Prelude "Just As I Am"

†(10:00) Prelude "As the Deer"

A time to prepare for worship, focusing on the Lord, whom we've come to worship.

Scripture and Prayer of Invocation Romans 15:4-7 (p. 1125)

†(8:00) Hymns of Praise #6, "Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above"

#103, "Blessed Be the Name"

†(10:00) Songs of Praise "The Father's House"

"Ancient Words"

Children's Message

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

(10:30) Special Music Adult Bell Choir "Holy, Holy, Holy"

Prayer of Dedication and Sharing of Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory "I Stand in Awe"

Scripture Reading Hebrews 1:1-4, 2:5-12 (p. 1184)

†(8:00) Sermon Hymn #74, "Majesty"

Sermon "Immanuel: God With Us"

Sacrament of Communion

Words of Invitation

Unison Prayer (see page 4)

Words of Institution and Prayer of Blessing

Distribution of the Elements

Prayer of Thanksgiving

†(8:00) Closing Hymn #387, "O to Be Like Thee!"

†(10:00) Closing Song "Crown Him"

†Spoken Benediction

†Benediction in Song #210, v 4, "Jesus Paid It All"

†Postlude

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Romans 15:4-7 - For everything that was written in the past was written to teach us, so that through endurance and the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope. ⁵ May the God who gives endurance and encouragement give you a spirit of unity among yourselves as you follow Christ Jesus, ⁶ so that with one heart and mouth you may glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁷ Accept one another, then, just as Christ accepted you, in order to bring praise to God.

Hebrews 1:1-4 - In the past God spoke to our forefathers through the prophets at many times and in various ways, ² but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, and through whom he made the universe. ³ The Son is the radiance of God's glory and the exact representation of his being, sustaining all things by his powerful word. After he had provided purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty in heaven. ⁴ So he became as much superior to the angels as the name he has inherited is superior to theirs.

Hebrews 2:5-12 - It is not to angels that he has subjected the world to come, about which we are speaking. ⁶ But there is a place where someone has testified: "What is man that you are mindful of him, the son of man that you care for him?" ⁷ You made him a little lower than the angels; you crowned him with glory and honor ⁸ and put everything under his feet." In putting everything under him, God left nothing that is not subject to him. Yet at present we do not see everything subject to him. ⁹ But we see Jesus, who was made a little lower than the angels, now crowned with glory and honor because he suffered death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone. ¹⁰ In bringing many sons to glory, it was fitting that God, for whom and through whom everything exists, should make the author of their salvation perfect through suffering. ¹¹ Both the one who makes men holy and those who are made holy are of the same family. So Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers. ¹² He says, "I will declare your name to my brothers; in the presence of the congregation I will sing your praises."

UNISON PRAYER

Lord, on this day, we, along with the world-wide Christian Church, observe and celebrate this sacrament of remembrance. We come before you as a repentant people, confessing our sin and seeking your grace. Though you created Creation good, the world today is fractured, polarized, and troubled. Such is the condition of the universal Church, too. In faith, as Jesus intends, the sacrament is an act of sacrifice, love and unity. As we come to the table this morning, may we each strive ever more diligently to be the disciples Jesus teaches and commands us to be. In his name we pray. Amen

SERMON NOTES - "IMMANUEL: GOD WITH US"

Immanuel – "God with us" – Isaiah 7:14, 8:8, Matthew 1:23

The Son

- ◆ God speaks by his Son
- ◆ Heir
- ◆ Made the universe
- ◆ Radiance of God's glory
- ◆ Exact representation of God's being
- ◆ Sustaining
- ◆ Powerful word
- ◆ Purification for sins
- ◆ Sat down at the right hand of the Majesty in heaven

Hebrews 2

- ◆ Psalm 8:4-6
- ◆ Everything is subject to the Son
- ◆ ⁹...Crowned with glory and honor because he suffered death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone.
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ◆ **The Unclouded Day** - The Unclouded Day Vocal and Instrumental Ensemble from Fort Wayne, Indiana will present their unique style of sacred music ministry at St. John's Christian Church on Sunday, October 13th, during the church's 8:00AM and 10:30AM morning worship services. This will be the group's first presentation at St. John's Christian Church. Please join us in welcoming our guest musicians on this special day!
- ◆ **Chicken BBQ/Pulled Pork Meal** - Shalom Counseling and Mediation Center is planning their Fall Fundraiser on Sunday, October 13th from 11:30AM - 1:30PM at the Ruihley Park Pavilion. Eat In and Carry-Out meals will be served!! A Free Will Donation will be taken at the door.
- ◆ **Kajiado - Think Christmas!** The Mission Committee is sponsoring an Alternative Gift Market throughout the month of October to surprise the kids at Kajiado Children's Home, Kenya, Africa, with a new Christmas outfit. These kids are accustomed to hand me down clothes, clothes others no longer want. What a thrill for them to shop with an adult and pick out clothes they love! \$40 to \$45 will purchase a dress, sweater and shoes for a girl, or a shirt, pants and shoes for a boy. They don't ask for frills, they simply ask for what they need. Put smiles on the faces of these kids as they proudly parade in their new outfits! Your gift, no matter the amount, will make all the difference! Please mark your envelopes "Alternative Gift Market" or drop your donation off in the office.
- ◆ **1 Voice Hymn Sing** - at the Old Union Church in Pettisville on October 13th at 6:30PM. The address for the church is 262 Chestnut St., Pettisville, OH 43553. Parking at the school leaves a half block walk to the church. Shuttles will be available for those who need it.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Through out the month of October, St. John's will once again collect financial contributions for Operation Christmas Child in cooperation with Samaritan's Purse. Donations can be indicated by noting "MAM" on line 11 of your offering envelope.

DISCOVERY DAILY DEVOTIONAL

Below is the list of daily readings for this week:

Oct 6 Giving as Worship ----- Psalm 112
Oct 7 He is For You! ----- 2 Kings 6:24-7:2
Oct 8 Trusting His Word ----- 2 Kings 7:3-20
Oct 9 Constancy-----2 Kings 8
Oct 10 Chasing the Wind----- Ecclesiastes 1
Oct 11 The Meaning of Life-----Ecclesiastes 2
Oct 12 God, Eternity, And People ----- Ecclesiastes 3

WEEK OF OCTOBER 6TH 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 / Orientation Session
	10:30AM	Worship (Sanctuary and YouTube Live)
Mon	7:00 PM	Village Quilters (Chapel)
Tue	9:15AM	Bible Study (Fireside Room)
	5:00PM	Community Meal - Lockport Mennonite (Parish Hall)
	7:00PM	Property Committee (Fireside Room)
Wed	6:00PM	LOGOS (Gym)/Confirmation (Confirmation Room)
	7:00PM	JYF (Fireside) / Life Planning (Chapel)
	7:30PM	Adult Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
Thur	7:00PM	CE Committee (Fireside Room)
Fri	7:10AM	Rest & Restoration Bible Study (Rest & Restore)
Sat	7:40AM	Men's Prayer Breakfast
Sun	8:00AM	Unclouded Day (Sanctuary)
	8:30AM	Pause for Praise (96.1 WMTR)
	9:00AM	Fellowship Hour (Gym)
	9:15AM	Faith Village/Sunday School
	10:30AM	Unclouded Day (Sanctuary and YouTube Live)

TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVANTS

Accompanist	(Both) Buffy Riley	
Song Leader	(8:00) David Stuckey	(10:30) Praise Team
Lay Readers	(8:00) Joshua Reeb	(10:30) Avery Roth
Nursery	(10:30) Bri Krukowski & Emma Krukowski	
Easy Worship	(Both) Brian Roth	
Acolytes	(8:00) Dawson Martz	(10:30) Tucker Johnston
Sound Tech	(8:00) Kelly Ducey	(10:30) James Grime
Live Stream	(10:30) Cayla Swisher	
8:00 Usher	Jim Grieser	
Head Usher	Matt Hines	
10:30 Ushers	Braden & Brittany Martinez , Madison & Claire Bowers	

PRAYER JOYS, CONCERNS, AND REQUESTS:

Please pray for...

- ◆ Family of Sue Henry, who died on September 29th at the age of 75. Services were held in the sanctuary on Friday.
- ◆ Jean Stamm, who fractured her lower leg in a fall on September 29th
- ◆ Bryce Winzeler, recuperating at home from recent surgery, while waiting for a second procedure to take place in a week or two.
- ◆ Jeff & Laura Bostelman, as they seek further knowledge on treatment options of the cancer in his spine.
- ◆ Larry Woolace, dealing with health effects from a recent TIA.
- ◆ Shirley Wyse, who continues in hospice care at Genacross in Napoleon.
- ◆ Stuart & Rhonda Short, as Stuart was recently hospitalized due to side effects of the chemo treatments. He is now waiting for a PET scan in mid-October.

Care Center Residents

- ◆ Josephine Short, Fairlawn Haven, Room #405
- ◆ Shirley Wyse, Genacross, 1036 S. Perry St., Napoleon, 43545
- ◆ Mike Meyer, Fountain Park, 1391 N. Main St., Bryan, 43506
- ◆ Louise Short, Hillside Country Living, 09876 County Road 16, Bryan, 43506

Missions/Missionaries...

- ◆ Defiance Area Youth for Christ – asking for prayer each evening at 7:59pm

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) (Grandson-in-law of Nan Neill)
- ◆ Steve Schink, Chesterfield, MI (Coast Guard) (Son-in-law of Ed and Julie Ruffer)

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