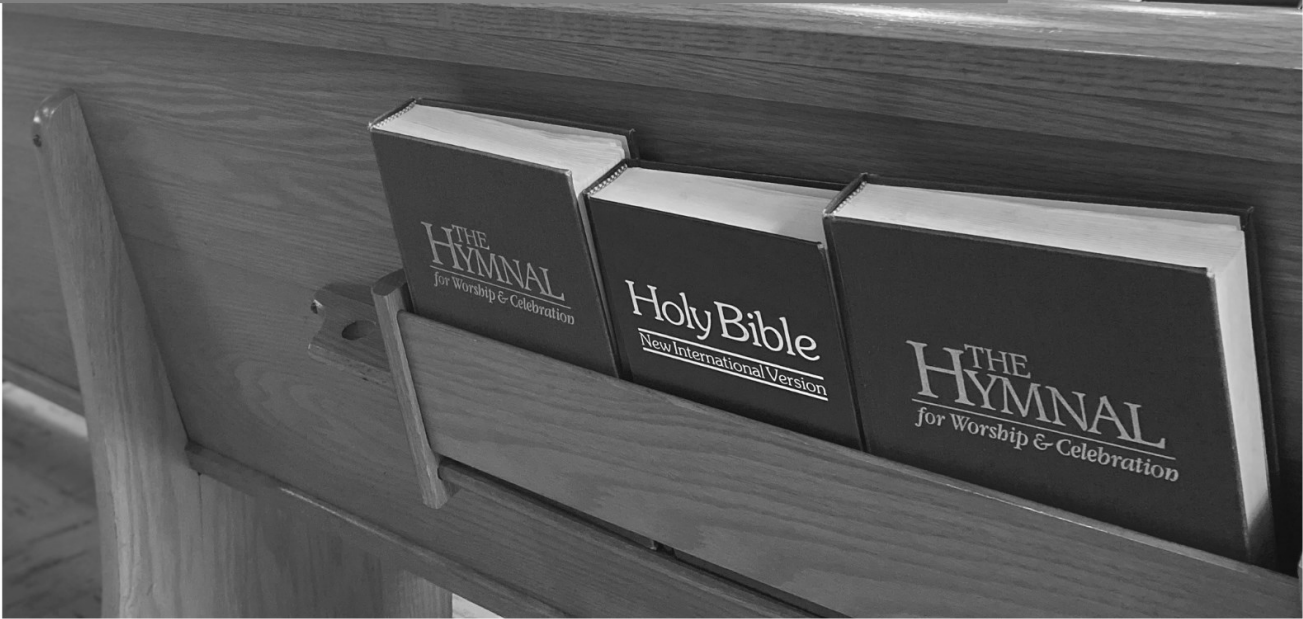


November 10, 2024 | 8:00am & 10:30am

# ST. JOHN'S CHRISTIAN CHURCH

The Church on the Corner whose Cornerstone is Christ



**Come Hear the Reason we're Inspired to Serve Together**

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*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.*

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# Welcome! We are so glad you are here.

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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](http://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.*

Ringling 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

Mission Moment - Christmas Cheer

Lilli Radabaugh

Prelude

"Christ is Made the Sure Foundation"

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

Scripture Reading

Psalms 119:137-144 (p. 611)

Unison Prayer of Invocation

**Lord, the Almighty, the Everlasting God, we humbly bow before you in our worship, acknowledging both your authority and your righteousness. In this hour, as we praise you for the precepts and laws you lay out for our good, we seek further understanding of how to honor you as we live in these troubled and distressing times. We praise you for your truth and guidance, and offer ourselves in devotion to you. In Christ, Amen.**

†Hymns of Praise

#31, "Great is the Lord"  
#382, "Be Thou My Vision"

†Passing the Peace of Christ

Children's Message

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

Special Music

Sarah Kinsman

"In Christ Alone"

Scripture Reading

Revelation 2:18-29 (p. 1216)

†Sermon Hymn

#392, "Nearer, Still Nearer"

Sermon

"Thyatira: Tolerance"

Sharing of Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

"We Are An Offering"

†The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

†Closing Hymn

#399, "Higher Ground"

†Spoken Benediction

†Benediction in Song

#604, "Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name"

†Postlude

## SCRIPTURE READING

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**Psalm 119:137-144** Righteous are you, O Lord, and your laws are right. <sup>138</sup> The statutes you have laid down are righteous; they are fully trustworthy. <sup>139</sup> My zeal wears me out, for my enemies ignore your words. <sup>140</sup> Your promises have been thoroughly tested, and your servant loves them. <sup>141</sup> Though I am lowly and despised, I do not forget your precepts. <sup>142</sup> Your righteousness is everlasting and your law is true. <sup>143</sup> Trouble and distress have come upon me, but your commands are my delight. <sup>144</sup> Your statutes are forever right; give me understanding that I may live.

**Revelation 2:18-29** "To the angel of the church in Thyatira write: These are the words of the Son of God, whose eyes are like blazing fire and whose feet are like burnished bronze. <sup>19</sup> I know your deeds, your love and faith, your service and perseverance, and that you are now doing more than you did at first. <sup>20</sup> Nevertheless, I have this against you: You tolerate that woman Jezebel, who calls herself a prophetess. By her teaching she misleads my servants into sexual immorality and the eating of food sacrificed to idols. <sup>21</sup> I have given her time to repent of her immorality, but she is unwilling. <sup>22</sup> So I will cast her on a bed of suffering, and I will make those who commit adultery with her suffer intensely, unless they repent of her ways. <sup>23</sup> I will strike her children dead. Then all the churches will know that I am he who searches hearts and minds, and I will repay each of you according to your deeds. <sup>24</sup> Now I say to the rest of you in Thyatira, to you who do not hold to her teaching and have not learned Satan's so-called deep secrets (I will not impose any other burden on you): <sup>25</sup> Only hold on to what you have until I come. <sup>26</sup> To him who overcomes and does my will to the end, I will give authority over the nations -- <sup>27</sup> 'He will rule them with an iron scepter; he will dash them to pieces like pottery'--just as I have received authority from my Father. <sup>28</sup> I will also give him the morning star. <sup>29</sup> He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches.

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## MISSION-A-MONTH - FULTON COUNTY CHRISTMAS CHEER

Your financial donations help us buy in bulk to fill the store with groceries, personal hygiene items, towels, blankets and brand-new toys. Volunteer help is also needed at the store starting 9AM Mon., Dec 9th through Thurs. Dec 12th. Call 419-551-6573 to sign up.

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, December 8th**. 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!

# SERMON NOTES - "THYATIRA: TOLERANCE"

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## Revelation 2:18-29 – Letter to the Church in Thyatira – “Tolerance”

Sermon Series – Revelation 2 & 3 – Letters to Seven Churches

- ◆ Each letter to one church was intended to be read by the other six churches, too.
- ◆ Addressee, Speaker, Knowledge, Verdict, Corrective Command, Exhortation, Promise

**Addressee** – “To the angel of the church in Thyatira write:”

- ◆ Known for commerce – wool, linen, clothing, dyed cloth, leatherwork, bronze-work
- ◆ Extensive trade guild or labor network – each guild had their own patron deity
- ◆ Acts 16:14 – “...Lydia, a dealer in purple cloth from the city of Thyatira, who was a worshiper of God.”

**Speaker** – “These are the words of the Son of God, whose eyes are like blazing fire and whose feet are like burnished bronze.”

- ◆ “Son of God” – only here in this book, equal to “Son of Man,” reference of the Messiah
- ◆ “Blazing fire” – Christ has penetrating discernment
- ◆ “Burnished bronze” – significant to the bronze-workers of Thyatira

**Knowledge** – “<sup>19</sup> I know your deeds, your love and faith, your service and perseverance, and that you are now doing more than you did at first.”

- ◆ Love – manifested in service; Faith – manifested in perseverance; Progress, growth

**Verdict** – Verses 20-23

- ◆ The church tolerated, allowed, a false prophetess to remain and teach
- ◆ Given the name Jezebel, from the OT, wife of Israel’s King Ahab; known for doing more evil in the eyes of the Lord than any king before him (1 Kings 16:30); Jezebel is known for worship of Baal, idolatry, killing the prophets of the Lord
- ◆ Prophecy was highly respected in the early church, direct revelation from God
- ◆ Reluctance to repent – refusing to repent; Judgment will come

**Corrective Command** – Verses 24-25 – to the faithful

- ◆ Faithful – able to discern between genuine and false worship
- ◆ Satan’s deep secrets – the depths of Satan’s works on the hearts of believers
- ◆ Until I come – remain faithful until the second coming of Jesus Christ

**Exhortation and Promise** – Verses 26-29 – to the overcomers

- ◆ Does my will to the end – faithfulness – Matthew 24:13, Colossians 1:23
- ◆ Authority over the nations – Psalm 2, Psalm 2:9
- ◆ The morning star – 22:16, 2 Peter 1:19 – Christ rising over the darkness of the world

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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- ◆ **Provide a Meal** - If you would like to provide a meal for Bud, Tootie, Kevin and Dee Beck as they recover from recent injuries, please use the following link: <https://takethemameal.com/IRWX5563> We could still use a meal for Wednesday, Nov. 20th.
- ◆ **God Winks Devotional: Christmas Collection** - Is your God Winks booklet sitting at home collecting dust? If so, we ask that you bring it back to the church between now and Christmas so that we can distribute them to local medical waiting rooms, rehab facilities, dialysis centers, and cancer treatment centers. There is a collection basket in the sanctuary narthex where you can drop these off. We pray these booklets filled with our personal stories provide peace and comfort to others in need of a God Wink.
- ◆ **JYF Poinsettia Sale** - The JYF Poinsettia Fundraiser has begun! Flowers are \$17 each in red, white, pink, or jingle bell (speckled). Reach out to one of our middle schoolers, JYF advisors, or call the church office to place your order. Flowers will be delivered in mid-December. Thank you for supporting our youth ministries!
- ◆ **Third Thursday Senior Luncheon** - Seniors are invited to gather in the Chapel for a time of food and fellowship on November 21<sup>st</sup> @ 11:30am. We will enjoy a light lunch together and then Pastor Erich will share a faith-based program.
- ◆ **Senior Citizen's Dinner** - The Fellowship Committee invites all senior citizens to the annual Senior Christmas Dinner on Thursday, December 12 @ 5:30PM in the Parish Hall. There is a sign up sheet on the bulletin board outside the church office.
- ◆ **2025 Offering Envelopes** - Offering Envelopes are ready for pickup in the sanctuary narthex. Boxes are sorted alphabetically by last name. Please check the table if you have not had boxes in the past as all active givers now have boxes assigned, aside from online givers. If you don't see your name, please let Gloria in the church office know.

## DISCOVERY DAILY DEVOTIONAL

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Below is the list of daily readings for this week:

Nov 10 Staying On Track-----	Psalm 119, 1-24
Nov 11 Open-Handed -----	Mark 10:13-16
Nov 12 Obvious Candidate-----	Mark 10:17-31
Nov 13 Leading the Way-----	Mark 10:32-45
Nov 14 Model Disciple-----	Mark 10:46-52
Nov 15 Fight For What's Right?-----	Isaiah 22
Nov 16 Nothing UnGodly Endures-----	Isaiah 23

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

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Sun	8:00AM	Worship (Sanctuary)
	8:30AM	Pause for Praise (96.1 WMTR)
	9:00AM	Veteran's Breakfast (Parish Hall)
	9:15AM	Sunday School / Faith Village
	10:30AM	Worship (Sanctuary and YouTube Live)
	6:00PM	Seekers (Keith & Kelli Kuntz's)
Mon	7:00 PM	Praise Team Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
Tue	9:15AM	Bible Study (Fireside Room)
	5:00PM	Community Meal - SJCC (Parish Hall)
	7:00PM	Property Committee (Fireside Room)
Wed	6:00PM	LOGOS (Gym) / Confirmation (Confirmation Room)
	7:00PM	JYF (Fireside Room) / Life Planning (Chapel)
	7:30PM	Adult Bell Choir Practice (Sanctuary)
Thur	7:00PM	Christian Education Committee (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)
	2:30PM	B.A.S.I.C.S. Sunday School Class to TGRM

## TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVANTS

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Accompanist	(Both) Lynne Christman	
Song Leader	(Both) David Stuckey	
Worship Leader	(Both) Linda Heer	
Children's Message	(Both) Nancy Rupp	
Acolytes	(8:00) Kamy Link	(10:30) Grant Cover
Easy Worship	(Both) Mark Nofziger	
Sound Tech	(8:00) Kelly Ducey	(10:30) James Grime
Live Stream	(10:30) Cayla Swisher	
Nursery	(10:30) Eric & Anna Yoder	
8:00 Usher	Judy Sears	
Head Usher	Greg Walker	
Ushers	(10:30) Dave & Paige Miller, Adam Swisher, Toby Walker	

## PRAYER JOYS, CONCERNS, AND REQUESTS:

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Please pray for...

- ◆ Melva Woolace, who had surgery on Tuesday, having broken her hip in a fall on Monday.
- ◆ Bud & Tootie Beck, recovering from injuries sustained in a car accident, with Tootie at Ayden Healthcare at 303 W. Leggett St. in Wauseon and Bud is at his son's home.
- ◆ Bryce Winzeler, recuperating at home from recent surgery.
- ◆ Jeff & Laura Bostelman, as Jeff goes through treatment of the cancer in his spine.
- ◆ Shirley Wyse, who continues in hospice care at Genacross in Napoleon.
- ◆ Stuart & Rhonda Short, treatment has been effective, awaiting a PET scan.

Care Center Residents

- ◆ Josephine Short, Fairlawn Haven, Room #405
- ◆ Linda Hayes, Fairlawn Independent Living, Apartment #104
- ◆ 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
- ◆ Alice Tedrow, Fairlawn Independent Living, Apartment #111

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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