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Come Hear the Reason we're Inspired to Serve Together



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Welcome to



**ST. JOHN'S
CHRISTIAN
CHURCH**

**“The Church on
the Corner Whose
Cornerstone is Christ”**

We are a community of faith founded upon God's Holy Word, preaching salvation through believing in Christ as Savior. We seek to live in God's truth, being obedient to His Word and following in His ways.

Welcome to our Worship of God! Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

Enter to Worship God in the Fellowship of Others

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

Prelude

“Why Should He Love Me So?”

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

Lighting of the Altar Candles and Ringing of the Tower Bells

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

Inscribed on the Tower Bells – “To the Glory of God, and for the Calling of the Faithful to Worship.”

Welcome and Announcements

Mission-A-Month: Archbold FISH Food Pantry

Call to Worship: Scripture and Prayer of Invocation

Psalm 8 (p. 535)

†Hymns of Praise – #30

“How Majestic is Your Name”

#31

“Great is the Lord”

†Passing the Peace of Christ

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

Special Music

Klaire Kern

“Million Reasons”

Children’s Message

Scripture Reading

Psalm 10:1-4 (p. 536); Luke 13:1-9 (p. 1032)

Sermon

“The Problem of Pain”

Sharing Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

“Have Thine Own Way, Lord”

†Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

†Hymn of Response – #542

“When We All Get to Heaven”

†Spoken Benediction

†Benediction in Song – #551

“Soon and Very Soon”

†Postlude

Welcome . . .

Guests and Visitors

Welcome to our worship of God! We hope you will find our service to be an uplifting and faithful time of worship and that you will worship with us again. Learn more about us by visiting our Welcome Table at the south end of our building or our website at www.stjohnsarchbold.org.

St. John's Christian Preschool

A learning, Christian ministry geared for children 3-5 years of age. Four sessions offered: Tues/Thurs morning and afternoon, and Mon/Wed/Fri morning and afternoon; and run from September thru May. More information is available at www.stjohnsarchbold.org.

Mother's Room / Diaper Changing Station / Nursery Care

We have a Mother's Room located near our sanctuary – just ask an usher for its location. A diaper changing station is in our nursery room just down the hallway from our sanctuary. Nursery Care is offered during our 10:30 worship service for infants and pre-kindergarten children.

Children's and Large Print Bulletins are available on a table in the sanctuary narthex.

Hearing Assistance is provided by our system for hearing aids with a "loop system" switch position.

This Week's Congregational Prayer:

(These weekly prayers are given for unity and prayer guidance. Unity in the hope that everyone will offer this prayer daily throughout the week. Prayer guidance in the intent to assist everyone in knowing how and what to pray.) Father, the presence of pain in this world still bothers me. I don't want you to wait any longer. I want you to act now, and make things right today. However, I know you are waiting to bring judgment so that more people might be saved. Grant that I might be patient waiting for the redemption of all things, and that I might be used by you in your mission of reaching and saving the lost. And yet, Lord, I still pray: speed the day of your coming. I long to see you face to face, and I long to live in the world perfectly ruled by your peace and love. So come, Lord Jesus; come. Amen.

February Mission-A-Month FISH Food Pantry

With the Archbold FISH Food Pantry as our February Mission-A-Month, we are offering the "**Out of Box Experience**" once again! The congregation is invited to gather at the church today at 3PM to break into teams and pool money together to stock the shelves at the FISH Food Pantry. After shopping at local stores for items, we will deliver our purchases to the pantry. Come join us for an enjoyable afternoon of learning how the FISH food pantry works, as well as helping our local neighbors in need!!

LOGOS: PreK/Kind: This week we talked about the story of Miriam and her Mother saving baby Moses (Exodus 1:22-2:10). We talked about how hard it must have been to keep a small baby quiet and also about the love Miriam had for her brother, to watch over him after their mother placed Moses in the basket in the water. Then, we painted over a taped heart, took the tape off, and saw how pretty our hearts looked. We took our craft home to share with someone we love. **3rd Grade:** We studied the Ten Commandments, learning they are really about having a loving relationship with God, family and others. **4th Grade:** This week we were reminded that God loves us and cares about everything, good or bad, that is going on in our life. God wants us to go to Him for ANYTHING.

Senior High Sunday School: Our lesson comes from Exodus 32; focusing on an image of Idolatry. Idolatry happens when we worship something or someone else besides God.

St. John's Christian Preschool – Volunteer Substitutes Needed

St. John's Christian Preschool is looking for fun, energetic, and compassionate volunteers to help substitute in our Preschool Room in the absence of either Mrs. MacDonald or Mrs. Wyse.

Our faithful leaders have created a fun learning atmosphere for young children ages 3-5, and want you to help team up with other volunteers that have the same drive to help teach in the classroom. Don't worry! A teaching license is not required!

Volunteers must have the following:

- * Be 18 years old or older
- * Have a high school diploma/GED

There are also some forms and trainings that will need to be completed, which is something that we will be helping with along the way.

You may be asking yourself "*What's in it for me?*"

Service

What better way to serve your church family and community than to take a few days a month to help aide in the classroom. As a substitute, you will help follow the directions of the lead teacher that day, whether it be Mrs. MacDonald or Mrs. Wyse.

Positive Impact on Young Children

Our preschool children are so impressionable at this point in their lives. The positive impact that you can show them through the love of learning about Jesus, and the cool things at the sand table, are a positive light that you can shine on them.

If you are asking yourself if you can give a day or a few days a month to volunteer in our preschool room, please consider! This may not only have a positive impact on our students, but also on you.

The Christian Preschool Board and staff would like to thank all of you that have made efforts to donate to our preschool. Whether that is with school supplies or monetary donations, they are a blessing. If you feel called today or in the coming weeks, please consider donating to the St. John's Preschool to assist us with supplies or simply volunteering your time in the classroom for a fun experience!

WEEK OF FEB. 10 AT ST. JOHN'S CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Sun	8:00AM	Worship Service (Sanctuary)
	9:15AM	Confirmation / Faith Village / Sunday School
	10:30AM	Worship Service (Sanctuary)
	3:00PM	Out of Box Experience - FISH
	6:00PM	Couples Small Group (SYF Room)
Mon	11:00PM	Staff Meeting (Office Closed)
	5:00PM	Soccer Practice (Gym)
	6:30PM	Stephen Ministry Training (Chapel)
Tues	7:30PM	Praise Band Practice
	9:15AM	Bible Study (Fireside Room)
	4:00PM	Laundry Buddy
	5:00PM	Community Meal (Lockport Mennonite Hosting)
Wed	7:00PM	Property Committee (Fireside Room)
	8:30AM	Moms in Prayer (Classroom Upstairs)
	9:00AM	Bible Study at West Haven
	10:00AM	Preschool Valentine's Day Party
	2:00PM	Preschool Valentine's Day Party
Thurs	5:50PM	LOGOS/JYF
	7:00PM	Life Planning (Youth Room)
	10:00AM	Preschool Valentine's Day Party
	2:00PM	Preschool Valentine's Day Party
Fri	6:00PM	6th Grade Basketball (Gym)
	5:00PM	Soccer Practice (Gym)
Sun	8:00AM	Worship Service (Sanctuary)
	9:15AM	Confirmation / Faith Village / Sunday School
	10:30AM	Worship Service (Sanctuary)
	11:45AM	Valentine Potluck
	6:00PM	Seeker's (Kuntz's)

Next Sunday – February 17

Sermon – “My Hope is in You” by Pastor Erich Christman

Scripture – Psalm 121

Discovery® is a daily Bible reading guide that provides clear Bible explanation, prayers and relevant application questions. You can access the guide online at <http://www.scriptureuniteion.org/Bible%20Reading/Discovery>. Below is the list of daily readings for this week:

February 11 - Catch A Blessing.....	Matthew 5:1-12
February 12 - Make A Difference	Matthew 5:16-16
February 13 - Reaching Heaven	Matthew 5:17-20
February 14 - Facing Reality	Matthew 5:21-32
February 15 - The Ultimate Standard	Matthew 5:33-48
February 16 - Which Audience?	Matthew 6:1-4
February 17 - Our Lord Who is Here!.....	Psalm 141



Valentines Potluck *February 17, 2019*

The Fellowship Committee will provide the meat and beverages, and everyone can bring a side dish, salad or dessert to share! Let's enjoy gathering together and sharing God's love with one another!

Marriage Enrichment Weekend – March 22-24, 2019 **Michindoh Conference Center, Hillsdale, Michigan**

When was the last time you had a whole weekend with nothing drawing away from attention toward your spouse? Whether your desire is to celebrate the joy of marriage, or to simply experience a time away with your spouse, this weekend is for you! Michindoh is hosting another exciting weekend where you will be encouraged in your walk with the Lord, worship together with other couples, and have the opportunity to rejuvenate your marriage as you set aside a few days to just enjoy being together. You'll appreciate the uplifting messages brought by our guest speaker as we are again reminded of God's great design for marriage.

Additionally, you'll have the opportunity to enjoy a little healthy competition during free time on Saturday afternoon, when we will have multiple recreation opportunities available. If you would prefer to just relax alone as a couple, our natural campus setting will offer just the right mix of trails, scenery, and quiet spots to enjoy fellowship alone. This weekend will also offer a cozy wagon ride, a date night, and an extra-special, romantic dinner on Saturday evening. You won't want to miss this affordable mini-vacation together!

For more information, or to register, visit the Michindoh website – www.michindoh.com and click on the marriage enrichment retreat picture under “Highlights” or click on the “Programs” tab and then the “Adult” tab. You also may contact their reservations office at reservations@michindoh.com or by calling 517-523-3616.

Pastor Erich shares the above information for couples to consider, and if one or more couples are able to participate, he'd appreciate knowing so he could follow up afterwards and get feedback.

A Praying Life Seminar

March 29 & 30, 2019 Archbold Evangelical Church

This seminar teaches a step-by-step approach of how to begin a private life of prayer in fellowship with the heavenly Father. It is not for Christians who feel victorious, but Christians defeated in the trenches, asking... How do I focus when I'm distracted with so much to do? How do I pray longer than five minutes? How do I ask when I've tried it before and it doesn't work? We will look at Jesus' powerful yet simple teachings on prayer and practice becoming child-like, patterning after Jesus' own teaching and style of praying. Cost is \$10 per person or \$15 per couple, which includes materials and snacks. For more information on the seminar & registering go to: seeJesus.net/events by March 20.

Missionaries Supported by Our Congregation

- ✠ Africa – Tom & Megan – The Islands – pray for their children who are being tested to assess how they are doing with homeschooling; pray that those islanders who have been learning and growing will continue in T & L's absence; pray for the political situation, for stability.
- ✠ Akron – David Hench – Reliant at Akron U – pray for the men's and women's retreats occurring this month, that students will respond to the invitations and be blessed in their faith through the messages offered and the fellowship enjoyed.
- ✠ Ann Arbor – Kyle Chase – Reliant Mission at U of Michigan – pray for God's wisdom to be upon Kyle as he pastors and shepherds the campus church, and in his sermon preparations!
- ✠ Bowling Green – Robert & Jenni McMahan – Cru at BGSU – pray for their spring break plans, for both a time of ministry and a time of personal refreshment.
- ✠ Brazil – Tony & Leila Frank – pray for Leila's family upon the sudden death of her brother, Roberto, on 1/31. Pray for them as they minister at church, that they will encourage others to trust God and His Word and for wisdom in helping lead the church. Pray for them as they prepare for a new year at the Bible College, starting in March. Pray for their wisdom and courage to tell the Gospel to unsaved family members.
- ✠ Chicago – Jon & Rachel Doriot – Pioneers – pray for their efforts in raising further ministry support and that support raising goes well so they can focus in on using their God-given gifts and experience in reaching out to Muslims and training others in multiplication.
- ✠ Columbus – Matt & Paige Waanders – Cru at Ohio State & Columbus State – thank God with them for the life change they are seeing in students, pray for students who are growing in faith and inviting others into Christian community, and for their ongoing partnership with a team in Florianopolis, Brazil.
- ✠ Dominican Republic – Jason & Becky Suon and Daniel & Bethany Schrock – Freedom International – join them in praising God for the 300 students enrolled in preschool through fifth grade, and ask His guidance as they add sixth grade classes this year.
- ✠ India – Dr. Shobha Arole & Mr. Ravi Arole – CRHP – pray for Shobha and Ravi as they continue to expend great energy in administering all of the programs CRHP is involved in, thank the Lord for providing so many blessed staff members, and pray for the surgery teams that continue to reach out to the local villages and serve in the hospital.
- ✠ Kenya – Larry & Linda Rupp – Kajiado Children's Home – pray that God supplies the resources – staff, space, funding – for additional orphans coming to the home, for a new tutoring program, and for the Lord to raise up participants for upcoming mission trips to the home.
- ✠ Thailand – Kinsey Smith – Grace International School – pray for her students, who are believers, that they would be strengthened and empowered to live out their identities as children of God; for those who are not believers, that their hearts would be softened and their eyes opened to the Gospel, and for the staff as they shepherd the students.
- ✠ Toledo – Matt Pardi – Reliant Mission at U of Toledo – pray for Matt as he serves as pastor and network director, that his wisdom and experience will be blessings in guiding the many parts of the network, for the discipleship of the students.

Prayer Joys, Concerns, Requests - Please Pray For:

- Vern & Mary Lou Nemire, as they cope with some health situations with Mary Lou.
- Jim Silcox fell on Tuesday and suffered a broken arm. He had surgery on Thursday.
- Dale VonDeylen, at Community Hospitals of Williams Cty, had a heart cath on Thursday.
- Doris Hull, after a stay at St. Luke's Hospital, has entered into home hospice care.
- Kelsey Wyse as she recovers from a second surgery on her shoulder, this one on 2/7.
- Linda Rutledge and family upon the death of her mother, who entered into her eternal rest on February 4th. Services were held this past Thursday and Friday in Celina.
- Sue & Tim Grieser as she starts three months of chemotherapy on February 13th, which will be followed by further chemo and radiation to treat the colon cancer recently diagnosed.
- Sandi Newland as she recovers from recent cancer related surgery.
- Ryan Christman as he recovers from recent crohn's disease related surgery.
- Jeremy Neuenschwander, who continues to be treated for cancer.
- Brenden Bostelman, now in Afghanistan (Army) (Grandson of Bill & Kathy).
- Kyle Ducey, at Fort Gordon, Georgia (Navy) (Son of Kelly & Betsy).
- Jared Kuntz, at Guam (Army) (Son of Keith & Kelli).
- Eric Magg, at Ketchikan, Alaska (Coast Guard) (Son of Joe & Sheryl Short).
- Shayne & Taylor Pitts, at Bolling AFB, DC (Air Force) (Granddaughter of Nan Neill).
- David Richardson, Marines, reports to boot camp on 2/25 (Son of Shannon & Yesi).
- Donny Richardson, at Camp Lejeune, North Carolina (Marines) (Son of Shannon & Yesi).
- Joshua Richardson, at Naval Air Station Pensacola, FL (Marines) (Son of Shannon & Yesi)
- Steve Schink, at Port Angeles, WA (Coast Guard) (Son-in-Law of Ed & Julie Ruffer).
- AJ Short, at 29 Palms, California (Marines) (Son of Joe & Sheryl Short).
- Kyle Stuckey, at Killeen, Texas (Army) (Grandson of Nan Neill).
- Kollin Woolace, at Camp Lejeune, North Carolina (Marines) (Grandson of Larry & Melva).
- All our home bound and care center residents.

Today's Worship Servants

Acolytes	(8:00) Rayne Kinsman	(10:30) Krayton Kern
Ushers	(Head) Greg Walker	
	(10:30) Mark & Tammy Nofziger, Bev Beaverson, Marilyn Baron	
	(8:00) Tim Beck, Mark Beltz	
Nursery Staff	(10:30) Chris & Amy Baden	(Feb. 17) Matt & Kim Hines
Sound Tech	(8:00) Angie Neuenschwander	(10:30) Chris Baden
Video Tech	(10:30) Dean Sauder	
Song Worship Leader	(Both) Andrew Rohrs	
Children's Moment	(Both) Deb Kauffman	
Accompanist	(Both) Buffy Riley	

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