

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! Seventh 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

"Holy Spirit, Come with Power"

A time to center our thoughts, centering on Christ, our Lord and Savior, and our worship of him.

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

Call to Worship: Scripture and Prayer of Invocation

Titus 3:4-7 (p. 1182)

†Hymn(s) of Praise – #76

"O For a Thousand Tongues"

(8:00) #74

"Majesty"

†Responsive Prayer of Confession and Consecration

- L: Precious Lord Jesus, we confess that we seldom worship you as we ought.
- P: You forgave us everything, and yet, we are slow to forgive those who sin against us.
- L: We are quick to hold grudges, and quick to let things come between us and others, whether political views or past sins. Lord, let love reign in our hearts again.
- P: Jesus, you gave your life to save us, but we often give so little to show our love for you.
- L: Today, O Lord, we pray, may our lives be offered up to you once more. May we live for you not only at church, but also at work and at home, in the classrooms and on the ball fields and courts. May our thoughts and words, our actions and relationships, all be pleasing and honoring to you, O Lord.

P: Amen!

†Hymn of Consecration – #379, vs. 1, 3, 6

"Take My Life and Let it Be"

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

(10:30) Bells

"Great Is The Lord"

Children's Message

(10:30) Chimes

"Oh, How I Love Jesus"

(10:30) Sacrament of Baptism – Joanna Young, daughter of Alex and Jenny Young

Scripture-Acts 2:38-39

Vows of the Parents, and of the Congregation

(Congregation: do you promise to guide and nurture Joanna, by word and deed, with love and prayer, encouraging her to know and follow Christ and to be a faithful member of his church? If so, say "We do.")

The Apostles' Creed (inside back cover, red hymnal)

Baptism & Benediction

Words of Welcome: With joy and thanksgiving, we welcome you into Christ's church to share with us in his ministry, for we are all one in Christ.

Scripture Reading

Ephesians 2:1-10 (p. 1156)

Sermon

"Amazing Grace"

Prayer of Dedication and Sharing Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

"Jesus Loves the Little Children"

Second Offering - IYFB Capital Campaign

†Hymn Response – #202

"Amazing Grace"

†Spoken Benediction

†Benediction in Song – #66, vs.1-2

"To God Be the Glory"

†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 God, John Newton came to know and cherish your amazing grace in his life. May we also experience the peace and joy of being forgiven all our sins and of having a right relationship with you...because of your free gift to us in Christ Jesus. And may our voices and songs always be raised to sing praise for your amazing grace! Amen.

SERMON NOTES

Outline

- 1. John Newton
 - a. Slave to Slave Trader

b. Slave Trader to Slave Trade Opponent

- 2. Jesus Christ
 - a. Son to Sacrifice

b. Sacrifice to Savior

WEEK OF FEB. 24 AT ST. JOHN'S CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Worship Service (Sanctuary) Confirmation / Faith Village / Sunday School Worship Service (Sanctuary) Private Party (Parish Hall) Staff Meeting (Office Closed) Girls Basketball Practice (Gym) Soccer Practice (Gym) Stephen Ministry Training (Chapel) Sth Grade Basketball (Gym) Praise Band Rehearsal Bible Study (Fireside Room) Laundry Buddy Ministry Community Meal (St. John's Hosting) Evangelism Committee (Fireside Room) Moms in Prayer (Classroom Upstairs) LOGOS/JYF
Worship Service (Sanctuary) Private Party (Parish Hall) Staff Meeting (Office Closed) Girls Basketball Practice (Gym) Soccer Practice (Gym) Stephen Ministry Training (Chapel) Sth Grade Basketball (Gym) Praise Band Rehearsal Bible Study (Fireside Room) Laundry Buddy Ministry Community Meal (St. John's Hosting) Evangelism Committee (Fireside Room) Moms in Prayer (Classroom Upstairs) LOGOS/JYF
Private Party (Parish Hall) Staff Meeting (Office Closed) Girls Basketball Practice (Gym) Soccer Practice (Gym) Stephen Ministry Training (Chapel) Sth Grade Basketball (Gym) Praise Band Rehearsal Bible Study (Fireside Room) Laundry Buddy Ministry Community Meal (St. John's Hosting) Evangelism Committee (Fireside Room) Moms in Prayer (Classroom Upstairs) LOGOS/JYF
Staff Meeting (Office Closed) Girls Basketball Practice (Gym) Soccer Practice (Gym) Stephen Ministry Training (Chapel) Sth Grade Basketball (Gym) Praise Band Rehearsal Bible Study (Fireside Room) Laundry Buddy Ministry Community Meal (St. John's Hosting) Evangelism Committee (Fireside Room) Moms in Prayer (Classroom Upstairs) LOGOS/JYF
Girls Basketball Practice (Gym) Soccer Practice (Gym) Stephen Ministry Training (Chapel) Sth Grade Basketball (Gym) Praise Band Rehearsal Bible Study (Fireside Room) Laundry Buddy Ministry Community Meal (St. John's Hosting) Evangelism Committee (Fireside Room) Moms in Prayer (Classroom Upstairs) LOGOS/JYF
Soccer Practice (Gym) Stephen Ministry Training (Chapel) Sth Grade Basketball (Gym) Praise Band Rehearsal Bible Study (Fireside Room) Laundry Buddy Ministry Community Meal (St. John's Hosting) Evangelism Committee (Fireside Room) Moms in Prayer (Classroom Upstairs) LOGOS/JYF
Stephen Ministry Training (Chapel) Sth Grade Basketball (Gym) Praise Band Rehearsal Bible Study (Fireside Room) Laundry Buddy Ministry Community Meal (St. John's Hosting) Evangelism Committee (Fireside Room) Moms in Prayer (Classroom Upstairs) LOGOS/JYF
 5th Grade Basketball (Gym) Praise Band Rehearsal Bible Study (Fireside Room) Laundry Buddy Ministry Community Meal (St. John's Hosting) Evangelism Committee (Fireside Room) Moms in Prayer (Classroom Upstairs) LOGOS/JYF
Praise Band Rehearsal Bible Study (Fireside Room) Laundry Buddy Ministry Community Meal (St. John's Hosting) Evangelism Committee (Fireside Room) Moms in Prayer (Classroom Upstairs) LOGOS/JYF
Laundry Buddy Ministry Community Meal (St. John's Hosting) Evangelism Committee (Fireside Room) Moms in Prayer (Classroom Upstairs) LOGOS/JYF
Laundry Buddy Ministry Community Meal (St. John's Hosting) Evangelism Committee (Fireside Room) Moms in Prayer (Classroom Upstairs) LOGOS/JYF
Community Meal (St. John's Hosting) Evangelism Committee (Fireside Room) Moms in Prayer (Classroom Upstairs) LOGOS/JYF
Evangelism Committee (Fireside Room) Moms in Prayer (Classroom Upstairs) LOGOS/JYF
Moms in Prayer (Classroom Upstairs) LOGOS/JYF
LOGOS/JYF To the Logical Logic
(- ' - ' - ' - ' - ' - ' - ' - ' -
SYF (Youth Room)
Chancel Choir Reh.
6th Grade Basketball (Gym)
Soccer Practice (Gym)
5th Grade Basketball (Gym)
Worship Service (Sanctuary)
Confirmation / Faith Village / Sunday School
Worship Service (Sanctuary)
Seekers (Kuntz's)
PM PM M M

Next Sunday – March 3

Sermon – "Being a Sweet Scent" by Pastor Erich Christman Scripture – 2 Corinthians 2:14-17; Phil. 2:1-11

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.scriptu-reunion.org/Bible%20Reading/Discovery. Below is the list of daily readings for this week:

February 25 - In Desperation Matthew 8:1-13

March 3 - Praying Through Trials......Psalm 143

February 26 - Whom Do You Follow?	Matthew 8:14-22
February 27 - When the Storm Strikes	Matthew 8:23-27
February 28 - One Word	Matthew 8:28-34
March 1 - Who Can Forgive?	Matthew 9:1-8
March 2 - The Sin-Sickness Doctor	Matthew 9:9-13

Let's Talk About It - This Week in Our Children's and Youth Education:

LOGOS: Preschool/Kindergarten: This week we focused on David and Goliath (1 Samuel 16-17). We listened to a bible story about David-learning that he was the youngest of 8 boys in his family and that he was to become the next king of Israel when he grew up. He was also the one who volunteered to fight Goliath! We talked about how David trusted that God was with him to fight this giant-and he won! In talking about the Armor of God and preparing for battle, Brad Roth was able to join us for the night and show us the protective gear that Matt Hines wears during his time as a firefighter. They were able to try on the heavy jacket and helmet to see what it was like when dressed for battle-similar to what David might have felt like when King Saul put the heavy armor on David. Big thanks to Brad Roth for joining our class and Matt Hines for letting us borrow your gear!!

Confirmation: This morning in confirmation, students explored the Evangelical Association's website (http://evangelicalassociation.net/earccc/), which is the association of churches to which St. John's belongs. Consider exploring this site further with your student and ask them if they have any additional questions (or ask one of your pastors if you have a question!).

SSHS: Our lesson comes from Leviticus 16; focusing on a picture of atonement. God provides atonement for the people's sins.

JYF: This week, students split into 3 groups to learn more about different services and ministries in our community, including two group homes and a warehouse stocked with donations to distribute to people in need. Students enjoyed showing Jesus' love by playing games with the group home residents, and enjoyed a tour with Jerry Rohrs to learn more about ministries to help those in need.

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.



February Mission-A-Month FISH Food Pantry

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.
- ¹ 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:

- •Sue Buehrer who had hip replacement surgery on the 28th at the Bryan hospital. •Jeremy Neuenschwander, who was hospitalized this week at FCHC due to complications
- from the cancer. Pray for healing, for strength and for wisdom for the doctors.
- •Sharon VonDeylen, home after a few days at Parkview Hospital due to a bowel obstruction. •Jim Silcox, recovering from surgery to repair his broken arm.
- •Doris Hull, in home hospice care.
- •Sue & Tim Grieser, as she begins chemotherapy for the colon cancer on February 28th. •Ryan Christman continues to recover from his intestinal surgery, working through follow
- up appointments, gaining strength and waiting to go back to work.
- •Vern & Mary Lou Nemire as they cope with multiple health situations. •Rich Lesniak as he continues to recover from shoulder surgery, and was able to start half
- days at work as of February 18th.
- •Brenden Bostelman, 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, reporting to Marine boot camp today (2/24) (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.

Ushers

Nursery Staff

Computer Tech Song Leader

Worship Leader

Accompanist

Sound Tech Video Tech

Today's Worship Servants Acolytes (8:00) Gavin Walker (10:30) Rayne Kinsman

(Head) Greg Walker

(10:30) Mark & Tammy Nofziger, Bev Beaverson, Marilyn Baron

(8:00) Tim Beck, Mark Beltz (10:30) Ryan & Jill Holdgreve (March 3) Sarah & Jeremy Kinsman

(8:00) Angie Neuenschwander (10:30) James Grime (10:30) Dean Sauder (Both) Kelly Ducey

(Both) David Stuckey (Both) JoAnn Short (Both) Buffy Riley

ST. JOHN'S CHRISTIAN CHURCH

700 S. Defiance Street • Archbold, OH 43502

Ph: 419-446-2545 • www.stjohnsarchbold.org

Pastor Rev. Erich Christman (Cell 419-551-0401)

Associate Pastor Rev. Alex Young (Cell 330-206-8762)