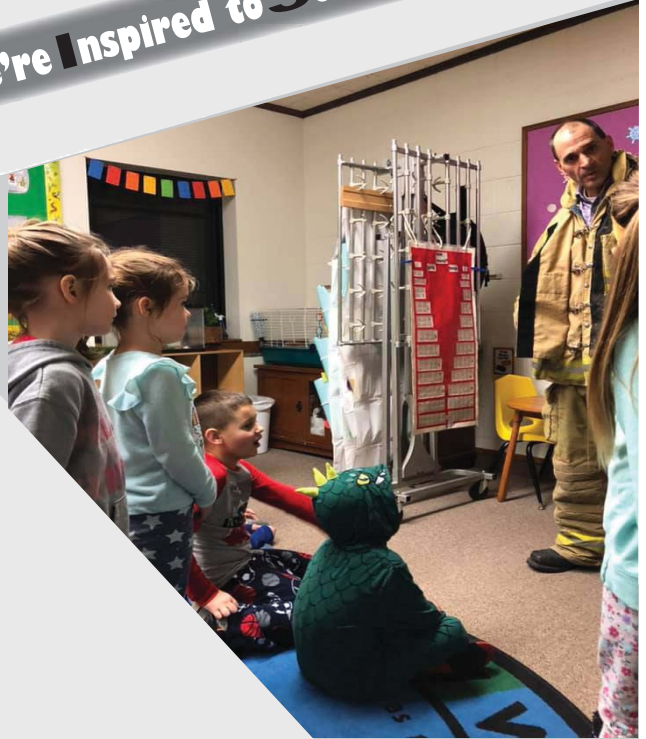




Keith & Nici Wyse

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



LOGOS - Fire Safety  
with Brad Roth

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! Eighth 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.*

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, Announcements, Scripture and Prayer of Invocation Ephesians 5:1-2 (p. 1159)

Prelude "Spirit of God Descend Upon My Heart"

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

†Call to Worship

L: God, our God, how glorious is your name in all the earth.

**P: Your glory is sung by all of your creation.**

L: When we look to the heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars, we wonder – who are we that you care for us and for this world?

**P: You are the God of life, crowning us with glory and honor to serve you all our days. O God, our God, how glorious is your name in all the earth!**

†(8:00) Opening Hymn – #284 "They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love"

†(10:30) Songs of Praise "Standing in Your Love"  
"Still"

†Prayer of Worship

†Passing the Peace of Christ

Children's Message (#579, vs. 1, "Jesus Loves Me")

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

(10:30) Chancel Choir "Praise to the Lord, Alleluia"

Scripture Reading 2 Corinthians 2:14-17, Philippians 2:1-11 (p. 1143, p. 1162)

Sermon "Being a Sweet Scent"

Sharing Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory "Sweet, Sweet Spirit"

†The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

†(8:00) Closing Hymn – #297 "I Love To Tell the Story"

†(10:30) Closing Song "Build Your Kingdom Here"

†Spoken Benediction

†(8:00) Benediction in Song – #296, vs. 3 "We've A Story to Tell to the Nations"

†(10:30) Benediction in Song "Build Your Kingdom Here"

†Postlude

## **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](http://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](http://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.)* – Lord, your word reveals that as Jesus walked this earth people knew him to be your son, by his teachings and by his actions. His life of sacrificial service is the example I'd like to emulate. I ask for your forgiveness for when I've failed to be so sacrificial. Restore me, Lord. Renew my spirit, Lord. Your word steers me in the right direction, and may I humble myself to be a better follower. To honor and praise you. Amen.

## **Lenten Coin Folders**

Youth and adult Lenten coin folders are available on a table in the sanctuary narthex. Please feel free to pick yours up today! These offerings will be collected on Easter Sunday (April 21st) and will be divided equally between the Aroles and Back Bay Mission.

**Easter Memorials/Flowers** – Sign up sheets are posted on the bulletin board for giving Easter Memorials and Flowers (deadline March 22). Memorial and flower sponsorships will be listed in Easter Sunday bulletins, and flowers will be available for pick up after the 10:30 service of worship on Easter Sunday.

# SERMON NOTES

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2 Corinthians 2:14-17, Philippians 2:1-11

***"Being a Sweet Scent"***

"Being the aroma of Christ, spreading his fragrance everywhere."

1) Through our words – telling others

2) Through our lives – deeds of Christ-like sacrifice

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## **Fellowship Hour**



The Fellowship Committee will be hosting a fellowship hour on March 10th from 9:15 to 10:15 a.m. Children and youth are invited to have a snack before going to gathering time or their class room. Adults are invited to gather for refreshments and may stay and fellowship together or move on to a Sunday School class.

## **WEEK OF March 3 AT ST. JOHN'S CHRISTIAN CHURCH**

Sun	8:00AM	Worship Service (Sanctuary)
	9:15AM	Confirmation / Faith Village / Sunday School
	10:30AM	Worship Service (Sanctuary)
	6:00PM	Seekers (Kuntz's)
Mon	11:00PM	Staff Meeting (Office Closed)
	5:00PM	Soccer Practice (Gym)
	6:30PM	Stephen Ministry Training (Chapel)
Tues	9:15AM	Bible Study (Fireside Room)
	10:30AM	Pastors Meeting
	5:00PM	Community Meal (Lockport Mennonite Hosting)
	7:00PM	Capital Campaign Committee (Fireside Room)
	7:00PM	Discernment Team (Chapel)
Wed	8:30AM	Moms in Prayer (Classroom Upstairs)
	7:00PM	Ash Wednesday Service
Thurs	7:00PM	Mission Committee (Fireside Room)
Fri	5:00PM	Soccer Practice (Gym)
Sat	7:40AM	Men's Prayer Breakfast
	9:00AM	Private Party (Parish Hall)
		<i>Daylight Savings (set clocks ahead)</i>
Sun	8:00AM	Worship Service (Sanctuary)
	9:15AM	Confirmation / Faith Village / Sunday School
	10:30AM	Worship Service (Sanctuary)
	6:00PM	Couple's Small Group

### **Next Sunday – March 10**

Sermon – “I’m Not a Raven or a Lily” by Pastor Erich Christman

Scripture – Psalm 138, Psalm 13, Luke 12:22-34

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

March 4 - Enjoying Jesus .....	Matthew 9:14-17
March 5 - No Second-Class Citizen .....	Matthew 9:18-26
March 6 - King in Hiding .....	Matthew 9:27-34
March 7 - Meeting the Need .....	Matthew 9:35-10:16
March 8 - Prepared for Death.....	Matthew 10:17-31
March 9 - Number One .....	Matthew 10:32-42
March 10 - I'm Saved .....	Psalm 144

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

**LOGOS: 3rd grade:** We learned in Ruth, that she made good choices and worked to serve others. We discussed how we can follow God in our choices and work to serve others.

**SHSS:** Our lesson comes from Numbers 13. We look at the rebellion of God's people; knowing that rebellion against God is rooted in failing to trust God. The Bible often shows sin in terms of defiance and rebellion toward God.

### ***March Mission-A-Month - Friendship House***

The Friendship House is an Archbold ministry supported by area churches and coordinated by Cecily Rohrs. This two story home, located near downtown Archbold, provides shelter for individuals and families until they are able to become self-sufficient.

### **Scholarship Information**

#### **College & Seminary Scholarships**

St. John's Christian Church offers and administers four scholarships:

1. Springer Scholarship – for students enrolled in seminary, pre-seminary or Christian Ed. studies
2. Nursing Scholarship – for a nursing student who is a member of SJCC and who attends an accredited post-secondary school of nursing
3. College Scholarship – awarded to enhance the Christian faith of active members of St. John's Christian Church who are either attending or planning to attend college in the coming year
4. Seminary Scholarship – tuition scholarships for students attending seminary

The deadline for applications is April 1st. Applications may be picked up from the church office, or students may contact the church office ([office@stjohnsarchbold.org](mailto:office@stjohnsarchbold.org)) to have the information and application packet digitally sent to them.

### **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](http://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:

- The family of Doris Hull, upon her death this past Thursday. Doris was 97 years of age. Visitation will be on Monday here at SJCC, with a memorial service for her on Tuesday.
- Jeremy Neuenschwander, who is home from the hospital and receiving home care. Please pray for miracles of healing, and for God's peace to be with him, Chris, Toni and Trevor.
- Ryan Christman, who was able to start his Crohn's medicine a week ago, has two more weeks of limited lifting, and according to the surgeon is 80% healed from his surgery.
- Sue & Tim Grieser, as she began chemotherapy for the colon cancer on February 27th.
- Sue Buehrer who had hip replacement surgery on the 22nd at the Bryan hospital.
- Jim Silcox, recovering from surgery to repair his broken arm.
- Vern & Mary Lou Nemire as they cope with multiple health situations.
- Rich Lesniak as he continues to recover from shoulder surgery and is back to work.
- 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, reported to Marine boot camp last week (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) Cahle Roth	(10:30) Krayton Kern
Ushers	(Head) Bruce Wooley	
	(8:00) Jim Grieser	
Nursery Staff	(10:30) Sarah & Jeremy Kinsman	(March 10) Rachel Kinsman
Sound Tech	(8:00) Angie Neuenschwander	(10:30) James Grime
Video Tech	(10:30) Dean Sauder	
Computer Tech	(Both) Brian Roth	
Song Leader	(Both) Andrew Rohrs	
Worship Leader	(Both) Tammy Nofziger	
Accompanist	(Both) Buffy Riley	
Praise Band	(10:30) Chris Baden, Lynne Christman, Norm Fether, Emma & Sarah Nafziger, Todd Nafziger, Buffy Riley	

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