

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!

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 and Announcements

Scripture and Prayer of Invocation

Psalm 34:1-8 (p. 550)

8:00 & 10:30AM

Prelude

"Jesus, What a Wonder/O for a Thousand Tongues" A time to center our thoughts, centering on Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, and our worship of him.

Call to Worship

†Hymn of Dedication – #191

"There is Power in the Blood"

†Unison Prayer of Consecration: Holy Father, we do want to be free from the burden of sin: from the guilt; from the shame; from habits and patterns and addictions; from sin's natural consequences. Wash us in the cleansing flow of Jesus' blood. Break the chains that bind us to sin by the power of his blood. Set us free to run in the freedom and joy of your commands. We really do believe that holiness, that living for you, is the secret to true joy in this world. Strengthen us and guide us by your Holy Spirit. In Jesus' Name, Amen.

†Hymn of Praise – #195

"Nothing But the Blood"

Missionary Update

Jason and Becky Suon, Dominican Republic

Sharing Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Prayer of Dedication "Beautiful One"

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

Children's Message

Special Music

Andrew Rohrs & Lynne Christman

"Give Thanks"

Scripture Reading

Hebrews 7 (p. 1187) "A Superior Priesthood"

†Hymn of Response – #201

"Grace Greater Than Our Sin"

**†**Spoken Benediction

†Benediction in Song – #198, Refrain, 2x

"Wonderful Grace of Jesus"

†Postlude

Sermon



#### **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 through 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.

Congregational Prayer – Lord, the Hebrews were tempted to leave Christianity because of the persecution they faced. Thank you for giving this letter to them, and to all the Christians who face persecution even today. May they be encouraged to hang on despite the costs, knowing that you are worth all the costs, and your promises far outweigh even the hardest trials we face in this life. On the surface, Christianity is much easier for us than for those undergoing great persecution...but when we look into our own hearts, we see that Christianity is not easy for us either. The sins of selfishness and laziness and pride and self-righteousness and many others are always lurking, hoping to seize control of our hearts. We renounce these things in Jesus' name, turning to him, our risen savior, to find all the motivation we need to live our lives unto the glory of God. Amen.

# July Mission-A-Month - Shepherd's Circle

Shepherd's Circle is a local mission project started by Cecily Rohrs in 2004. The purpose of this program is to mentor individuals or families who are good people that have made bad choices. Through this project, assistance is given and guidance is provided to help these people get back on their feet and once again become productive citizens and good stewards of their financial resources.

# **Book Bag Bash**



The Book Bag Bash will be held on Sunday, August 4th from 2PM-4PM. There are sign up sheets on the bulletin board across from the office. We need volunteers and cookies. Thanks you for your support in this ministry.

# **Community Meal**

The meals have returned to SJCC for the months of July, August and September. We had an abundance of great help this past week and trust that will continue, as it always has! Yet, there's always ways people can assist with the meals – helping to greet everyone from 5pm to 6pm, arriving at 6pm to help with taking down tables and chairs and sweeping – or helping to tidy everything up if the tables and chairs are left in place. And of course, people are always welcome to come and eat and fellowship with others at the table!

#### **Fireside Room**

Katie Wyse is nearing completion of organizing all of the historical documents of the church! Now she's spending time sorting through thousands of photographs and working to scan them to save them in a digital format. Katie welcomes anyone who would like to help with the sorting – she's in the Fireside Room, Monday through Friday, 8am to 4pm or so, this next week! Katie's also hoping some people can come and help identify people and scenes in the pictures. During this next week, the Fireside Room is still being reserved, so Bible study and meetings will be held in the chapel.

The big screen at The Skye Theater is changing! Gavin Walker, Reagan Rutledge and the BASIC Sunday School class will be featured the month of July for the "Why I Love St. John's" poster contest. Head to the movies and see St. John's art work at its best!"

## **Discernment and Planning Time**

Pastor Erich had a productive first week and looks forward to the coming week as he seeks the Lord's guidance in setting down short term and long term goals for SJCC. He will continue to be sequestered in his office this week, somewhat isolated from the day to day ministry tasks of the church. Pastor Alex and Kelly Stahl will continue to be available for any pastoral or administrative needs.

# WEEK OF July 14 AT ST. JOHN'S CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Sun	8:00AM	Worship Service (Sanctuary)
	9:15AM	Confirmation / Faith Village / Sunday School
	4:00PM	Youth Praise Band Practice (Chapel)
Mon	8:30AM	Stephen Leaders Meeting
		Staff Meeting (Office Closed)
Tues	9:15AM	Bible Study (Fireside Room)
	7:00PM	Evangelism Committee (Chapel)
Wed	8:00AM	Boiler Work
	5:00PM	Community Meal (SJCC Hosting)
Thurs		Thursday Luncheon
Sun	8:00AM	Worship Service (Sanctuary)
	9:15AM	Confirmation / Faith Village / Sunday School

Next Sunday - July 21

Sermon – "A Superior Covenant" by Pastor Alex Young Scripture – Psalm 105:1-11; Hebrews 8



**Discovery Daily Devotional Guides** – Discovery Daily Bible Guides are available in the literature rack outside the Associate Pastor's office (suggested donation \$6 each). You can access this guide online at <a href="http://www.scriptureunion.org/Bible%20Reading Discovery">http://www.scriptureunion.org/Bible%20Reading Discovery</a>. Below is the list of daily readings for this week:

July 15 - The Little People	Matthew 18:1-9
July 16 - Disciples in Danger	Matthew 18:10-14
July 17 - Rebuke to Reconcile	
July 18 - Mercy Without Measure	Matthew 18:21-35
July 19 - Maximum Love Mentality	Matthew 19:1-15
July 20 - Stumbling Block to Surrender	Matthew 19:16-30
July 21 - Speak for the Weak	

# **JYF Summer Event**

Sunday, July 28

Meet at the church at 3:30pm

Go kart/putt putt in Defiance (Travel in church bus)

Return to church by 5:30pm for pizza and Gaga ball

Parents pick students up at 7:00pm

RSVPs should be sent to Carrie Yoder at justinyoder@yahoo.com

# **SERMON NOTES**

"A Superior Priesthood" Psalm 34:1-8, Hebrews 7

- 1. One thing I Liked:
- 2. One thing I Learned:
- 3. One application for my Life:

## **Monthly Spotlight on Missionaries SJCC Supports**



Matt & Paige Waanders
Wilhelmus Levi (born 6/11/19)
CRU at Columbus State University
and Ohio State University

St. John's has supported Matt & Paige since early 2016. We were introduced to their ministry with CRU as Paige is the granddaughter of Jean & Lenny Stamm, and Paige attended various SJCC activities as she grew up in Archbold.

Cru offers spiritual guidance, resources and programs tailored for people from all cultures in every walk of life through many diverse outreaches, including:

- 2,300 campus ministries on U.S. college campuses
- City ministry serving in over 50 cities and partners with over 2,000 churches and agencies
- More than 4 million in 109 countries have participated in marriage and family life events
- The athletic ministry has outreaches in 64 countries, 225 campuses and 46 pro sports teams
- Ministry to military installations and communities in all 50 states as well as deployed units
- JESUS film has been shown in more than 1,500 languages and in every nation in the world

# **Recent Prayer Requests:**

- Pray for Matt & Paige as they love and nurture their infant son, Wilhelmus (Will), and adjust to campus ministry as new parents!
- Praise God for the growth and change that He has brought about in many students at Colum bus State and Ohio State.
- Pray with them for the graduating seniors that they would continue to follow God and impact others for Him to the ends of the earth.
- Pray for staff and student leadership events being held this summer as plans are made for the 2019 Fall Semester.

# Prayer Joys, Concerns, Requests - Please Pray For:

- •TJ Rice is recovering from shoulder surgery.
- •Sharon VonDeylen was admitted to Parkview on Thursday.
- •Dave Miller had a procedure on Wednesday and is doing well.
- •Jim Silcox, beginning five weeks of radiation on Thursday for cancer treatment.
- •Mary Hall had hip surgery on June 28th and is in recovery for several weeks.
- Velma Overmier is a patient at Toledo Hospital.
- •Vern Nemire returned home from rehab on 7/8.
- •Mert Kinsman is due to return home from rehab 7/13.
- •Shiela Short continues to recover at home.
- •Sue Grieser will soon begin a month of radiation, followed up with quarterly or semi-annual checkups.
- •Larry Rupp has decisions to make regarding any treatment of the cancer. Be praying for wisdom and peace as he continues to honor the Lord through his life.
- •Brenden Bostelman, in Afghanistan (Army) (Grandson of Bill & Kathy).
- •Kohl Collins, at Ft. Benning Georgia (Army) (Grandson of Nan Neill).
- •Kyle Ducey, at Fort Gordon, Georgia (Navy) (Son of Kelly & Betsy).
- Jared Kuntz, Washington D.C. (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, at Camp Lejeune, North Carolina (Son of Shannon & Yesi).
- Joshua Richardson, at Camp Lejeune, North Carolina (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

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Acolytes	(8:00)	Gavin Walker	(10:30) Rayne Kinsman		
Ushers	(Head)	Maggie Enderle	•		
	(10:30)	Brad & Susie Enderle, Ben & Sue Buehrer			
	(8:00)	Gary & Judy Sears			
Nursery Staff	(10:30)	Matt & Kim Hines	(July 21) Keith & Kelli Kuntz		
Sound Tech	(8:00)	Angie Neuenschwander	(10:30) James Grime		
Video Tech	(10:30)	Dean Sauder			
Computer Tech	(Both)	Mark Nofziger			
Song Leader	(Both)	Andrew Rohrs			
Accompanist	(Both)	Lynne Christman			

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