

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 Pentecost

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

Prelude

Psalm 36:5-7 (p. 552)

"Prelude and Fugue in G Major" by JS Bach

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

⁺Call to Worship (Written by David Inglis)

(Congregational Response - refrain of #4, "For the Beauty of the Earth"

L: God created the heavens, star-spattered with beauty, and the earth, teeming with life. And God set us on the Earth, alive and wide-eyed, able to see and hear, feel and taste life's beauty, able to dream and plan, create and build out of the richness of the earth.

P: (singing) Lord of all to thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise!

L: God gave us families to love us, teachers to teach us, elders to guide us, and leaders to inspire us. God gave us His son to save us from the path of destruction and sin, and to be a strengthening presence in our trials and temptations.

P: (singing) Lord of all to thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise!

L: Every good thing that fills our souls with gladness and our lives with light is a gift from God. We have been entrusted with unfathomable riches. For this, let us come before God in thanksgiving and grateful praise.

P: (singing) Lord of all to thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise!

+Hymn of Praise – #339		"Since I Have Been Redeemed"	
† Passing the Peace of Christ			
Children's Message			
Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer	(debts/debtors)		
Special Music	Raegan Rutledge	"The Lord's Prayer"	
Scripture Reading		Hebrews 9 (p. 1189)	
Sermon		"Christ the Mediator"	
Prayer of Dedication and the Sharing of Our Tithes and Offerings			
Offertory	«r	The Lord is My Shepherd" by Koschat	

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Second Offering †Closing Hymn– #206 †Spoken Benediction †Benediction in Song – #601, v. 1 †Postlude

"There is a Redeemer"

"Lord, Dismiss Us" "Earth and All Stars" by Johnson



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.

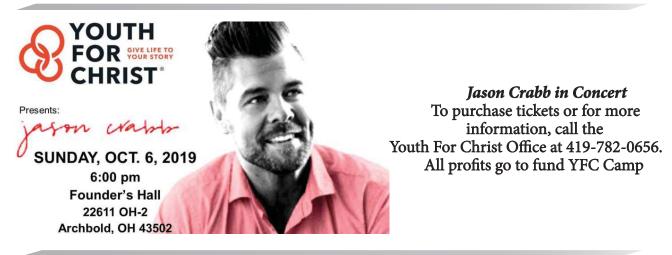
Congregational Prayer – Lord, as I devote this time to you, I am thankful for the promise of Hebrews 13:8, that "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever." In a world swirling with change, when my mind cannot keep up with all I read, or hear, or see, any confusion is dissipated by this promise about Jesus. He is the fulfillment of salvation, and I am so grateful for his mediation upon my behalf, which was achieved through great suffering. I pray for your strength to fill and guide me as I strive to be faithful in my love, obedience and service to you. Amen.

July Mission-A-Month – Shepherd's Circle

JYF Summer Event TODAY 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

Book Bag Bash

The Book Bag Bash will be held next Sunday, August 4th, from 2PM- 4PM. There are sign up sheets on the bulletin board across from the office for volunteers and cookies. If you are volunteering, please be here by 1:40PM. Thanks for supporting this ministry.



Mission – Service Opportunity – The Mission Committee has planned a day of service with Crossroad Child & Family Services, one of the longest running mission partnerships of SJCC. We're looking for 12 volunteers to serve on Saturday, September 14th. The group will leave the church at 8am and work until 4pm, returning to the church shortly after 5pm. Lunch will be included. A sign-up sheet is posted on the bulletin board. In addition, we have an opportunity to further bless the work and ministry of Crossroad through taking items on their wish list – check out the bulletin board!

Light Bulb and Electric Receptacle Conversions – we've got two things going on regarding electricity. First, we have 264 bulbs to change! We are converting all of the 4' florescent bulbs to 4' LED bulbs, which will require opening up the lights, removing the current bulbs and ballasts, some simple rewiring and inserting the new bulbs. Second, we have 36 receptacles we want to replace with child safety receptacles. We are looking for volunteers to help with these two conversions – either working in groups or on your own schedule. Please contact the church office if you could help with either or both of these items. Thanks!

WEEK OF July 28 AT ST. JOHN'S CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Sun	8:00AM	Worship Service (Sanctuary)
	9:15AM	Confirmation / Faith Village / Sunday School
	10:30AM	Worship Service (Sanctuary)
	3:30PM	JYF Summer Event
	4:00PM	Youth Praise Band Practice (Chapel)
Mon	7:00PM	FISH Board Meeting (Chapel)
Tues	9:15AM	Bible Study (Chapel)
	11:00AM	Fairlawn Worship - Pastor Erich Leading
	5:00PM	Community Meal (Central Mennonite Serving the Meal)
	7:00PM	Christian Preschool Board
Wed	7:00PM	CE Team (Chapel)
Thurs	7:00AM	Every Good Endeavor Men's Study (Pastor Alex's Office)
	7:00PM	Mission Committee (Chapel)
Sun	8:00AM	Worship Service (Sanctuary)
	9:15AM	Confirmation / Faith Village / Sunday School
	10:30AM	Worship Service (Sanctuary)
	2:00PM	Book Bag Bash
	4:00PM	Youth Praise Band Practice (Chapel)
	6:30PM	Revive Ohio Prayer Gathering

Pastor Alex will be on vacation the next two weeks, Monday through Friday. For the week of August 5th, he will be taking his first class towards earning his Doctor of Ministry degree through Covenant Theological Seminary in St. Louis. Please keep him in your prayers as he both prepares for and attends the class.

Next Sunday - August 4, 2019

Sermon – "Christ's Sacrifice " by Pastor Erich Christman Scripture – Hebrews 10

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 *http://www.scriptureunion.org/Bible%20Reading Discovery*. Below is the list of daily readings for this week:

July 29 - A Tale of Two Teenagers	Matthew 21:28-32
July 30 - Killing the Messenger(s)	Matthew 22:33-46
July 31 - What Are You Wearing?	Matthew 22:1-14
August 1 - "Show Me the Money!"	
August 2 - One Bride-Seven Brothers	Matthew 22:23-33
August 3 - No More Questions	Matthew 22:34-46
August 4 - A Flawless Filter	Psalm 12

SERMON NOTES

"Christ the Mediator" Hebrews 9

Verses 1-5

- First covenant, worship regulations, earthly tabernacle
- Cannot discuss these things in detail now
- Earthly worship is beautiful, but only a shadow of true worship with God
- Things in this world pale in comparison to the things of heaven

Verses 6-10

- Priestly ministry in the earthly tabernacle Day of Atonement
- People knew of the most sacred religious ceremonies
- Gifts and sacrifices were not able to clear the conscience of the worshiper
- External regulations until the new order

Verses 11-15

- Christ, as high priest, entered the greater tabernacle by his own blood
- The blood of Christ, cleansing the inner conscience, the soul
- Christ is the mediator of a new covenant died as a ransom
- Bringing humankind into relationship with God

Verses 16-22

- Example in the case of a will death/blood
- 22 "In fact, the law requires that nearly everything be cleansed with blood, and without the shedding of blood there is no forgiveness."

Verses 23-28

- Christ entered heaven itself, offering himself/appearing once for all
- Christ sacrificed to take away the sins of many people, debt is wiped out
- Appearing a second time, bringing salvation

Truths

- Jesus gave of himself, willingly
- Jesus brings eternal redemption
- Jesus died and arose, and will come again, not to be judged, but to judge

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:

•Mike Henry has been placed on the kidney transplant list with the Cleveland Clinic. Please be praying for his health, and for a successful search in finding a kidney donor.

- •Audrey Smith is in rehab at Fairlawn following an illness.
- •Jim Silcox is in the midst of five weeks of radiation for cancer treatment.
- •Velma Overmier is in rehab at Rupp Rehab, Fairlawn.
- •Shiela Short continues to recover at home and has follow-up appointments this week.
- •Sue Grieser will begin five weeks of radiation treatment/therapy on July 29th.
- •Larry Rupp is in six weeks of radiation and chemotherapy for cancer treatment.
- •Brenden Bostelman, stationed in Alaska (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.

Worship & Song Leader (Both) Mike Meyer

Today's Worship Servants Acolytes (8:00) Ian Grime

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Nursery Staff

Sound Tech

Video Tech

Organist

Computer Tech

(10:30) Cameron Yoder

- (10:30) Brad & Susie Enderle, Ben & Sue Buehrer
- (8:00) Judy & Gary Sears (10:30) Rachel Kinsman

(Head) Maggie Enderle

(Both) James Grime

(10:30) Dean Sauder

(Both) Kelly Ducey (Both) Larry Beck (August 4) Jenny Young

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