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Welcome to

St. John's Christian **CHURCH** 



Jen Grime & Judy Sears

"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! Ninth Sunday After Pentecost

8:00 & 10:30AM

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

Mission Announcement – Back May Mission

Mike Meyer

Prelude

"Faith is the Victory"

Scripture and Prayer of Invocation

1 Peter 1:3-9 (p. 1200) "Blessed Assurance"

†Hymn of Praise – #234, brown

†Unison Prayer of Confession (Drawn from Isaiah 1) O God, your call for justice is so clear that

- we are amazed at how easily we fail to hear you over the din of daily life. We want to cease to do evil. We want to learn to do good. Yet, we rarely do all we can to rescue, defend, and plead for those in need. As you have sought us out, so we seek your pardon. Grant us courage, we pray, as persons, as communities, and as nations, to bring about the justice you desire. Amen.
- †Assurance of Pardon (Drawn from Hebrews 11 and Luke 12) Faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. People of faith, God is not ashamed to be called your God. By God's grace we are forgiven. Let the church say amen. Amen.
- †The Gloria Patri #623
- †Passing the Peace of Christ

Children's Message #579, verse 1, "Jesus Loves Me"

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

"Faith of Our Fathers / Softly Tenderly" (10:30) Special Music

**Andrew Rohrs & Kyle Rohrs** 

Scripture Reading Hebrews 11 (p. 1191)

Sermon "By Faith"

Sharing of Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory "His Eye is on the Sparrow"

†The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

"Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah" †Closing Hymn– #51

**†**Spoken Benediction

†Benediction in Song – #42, vs. 1

"Seek Ye First"

**†**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.

## 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 – Dear God, I want to thank you for the revelation of scripture. To be reminded of the ancients and their living by faith spurs me on in my own life of faith. I'm struck by the account of Noah, who was saved because you found him to be righteous. I cannot really fathom the depth of the depravity in Noah's day which led to the engulfing flood, but I am shocked and saddened, even insensed by the depravity of the world today. Cleanse me, Lord, that I would ever more live by faith, to love you and honor you, and to be an agent of light and faith through my life, that by your power I can make a greater difference in the world around me. In Jesus' name. Amen.

August Mission-A-Month Back Bay Mission Trip 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!



Jason Crabb in Concert

To purchase tickets or for more information, call the Youth For Christ Office at 419-782-0656.

All profits go to fund YFC Camp

**STEPHEN MINISTRY:** All good coaches will tell you that teamwork is important to win a game. All who serve as Stephen Ministers become part of a team that help people win life's toughest battles. Our victory parties are great. God may have a place for you on our caregiving team! To learn more about this exciting opportunity, contact Pastor Alex, or one of our Stephen Ministry Team Leaders.

# WEEK OF August 11 AT ST. JOHN'S CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Sun	8:00AM	Worship Service (Sanctuary)
	9:15AM	Confirmation / Faith Village / Sunday School
		Stephen Ministry Informational Meeting (Chapel)
		Worship Service (Sanctuary)
		Youth Praise Team Practice (Chapel)
Mon		Staff Meeting
		Stephen Ministry Peer Support (Chapel)
Tues		Bible Study (Fireside Room)
		Laundry Buddy Ministry
	5:00PM	Community Meal (Hosted By SJCC)
		SYF Leader's Meeting (SYF Room)
		Property Committee (Fireside Room)
Wed		Bible Study at West Haven
Thurs	7:00AM	Men's Book Study (Pastor Alex's Office)
Sun		Rally Sunday
	8:00AM	Worship Service (Sanctuary)
		Confirmation / Faith Village / Sunday School (Sanctuary)
		Worship Service (Sanctuary)
		Youth Praise Team Practice (Chapel)
		Revive Ohio Prayer - AUMC

August's Thursday Lunch, originally scheduled for August 15th, has been postponed one week, to August 22nd at 11:30am.

Next Sunday - August 18, 2019

Sermon – "Enduring Hardships by Discipline?" by Pastor Alex Young Scripture – Hebrews 12

**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:

August 12 - Empty Ritual	Amos 5:18-27
August 13 - Taking It Easy	
August 14 - God Cannot Be Dismissed	
August 15 - The Worst Kind of Famine	
August 16 - He Protects His Own	
August 17 - Hope of a Rapid Harvest	
August 18 - Empty Hearts: No God	

#### **SERMON NOTES**

"By Faith" Hebrews 11

#### Hebrews 11:1-2

Now faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see. This is what the ancients were commended for.

#### Hebrews 11:3

By faith we understand that the universe was formed at God's command, so that what is seen was not made out of what was visible.

Hebrews 11:4-31 "By faith...Able, Enoch, Noah, Abraham, Jacob, Joseph, Moses, Rahab

4-7 - From the Fall to the Flood

8-22 - The Patriarchal Period

23-29 - The Exodus

30-32 - Conquest of Canaan and the Time of the Judges

Hebrews 11:32-39 ... Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, David, Samuel and the prophets

Hebrews 11:39-40 - The Expectation of Faith

These were all commended for their faith, yet none of them received what had been promised. God had planned something better for us so that only together with us would they be made perfect.

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



Jon & Rachel Doriot Sons – Jadon, Brendan, Joshua, Asher Serving with the Pioneers in Chicago

St. John's has supported Jon and Rachel since 2013, when they were serving in Papua. In 2016, the Doriot family moved to a Chicago neighborhood. SJCC became acquainted with the Doriot's as they are friends of a family in our congregation.

#### **Pioneers**

- Founded in 1979 by former businessman Ted Fletcher and his wife, Peggy, Pioneers partners with local churches to make disciples and initiate church-planting movements among unreached peoples. The unreached are cultural and ethnic groups without a self-sustaining witness to the gospel in their own cultures.
- Jon and Rachel are part of a collaborative partnership of workers, from various organizations and backgrounds united by a commitment to catalyzing churchplanting movements among every major segment of Chicagoland's Muslims.

# **Recent Prayer Requests:**

- Recently, Jon and a co-worker have been put in touch with the president of the Muslim Students Association (MSA) at a local community college. Jon has been able to attend a couple events put on by the MSA and has been building a relationship with a couple of the students. Please pray for the growth of their relationship and that it would grow to include his friends and family.
- God has also been opening the door to connect with International Students at the college through an InterVarsity friend. Please ask God to work in their lives in such a way that the seeds of the gospel spread through them to other students and back to their home countries.

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

- •The Family of Larry Rupp as he entered into eternal life on Monday, August 5th.
- •Eric Yoder will have back surgery on Monday, pray for his healing and for Anna, as she cares for him and their four young boys during Eric's time of recovery.
- •Gary Mann as he is off work while recovering from thumb surgery.
- •Kaitlyn Beck as she recovers from knee surgery, beginning college on crutches.
- Audrey Smith is home from her time of therapy at Rupp Rehab.
- •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.
- 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 made some good strides.
- •Sue Grieser will begin five weeks of radiation treatment/therapy on August 6th.
- 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, in Marine boot camp (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).

(Head) Mark & Tammy Nofziger

- •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 S	Servants		
Acolytes	(8:00) Gavin Walker	(10:30) Tyler Wyse	

# Acolytes

Ushers

Accompanist

	(10:30) Bo & Bri Krukowski, Bud & Tootie Beck				
	(8:00) Andrew, Lori & Harrison Rohrs				
Nursery Staff	(10:30) Emily Starnes	(August 18) Lucas & Lindy Lantz			
Sound Tech	(Both) James Grime	,			
Video Tech	(10:30) Dean Sauder				

Computer Tech (Both) Mark Nofziger Song Leader (Both) Andrew Rohrs

(Both) Lynne Christman

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