

The Visitor

prayer concerns

Please Pray For:

- Susanne Spiess as she is in rehab at Fairlawn following a fall.
- Eric Yoder as he continues to recover from his recent back surgery.
- Audrey Smith as she is in hospice care at home.
- Sue Grieser is in the midst of five weeks of radiation for cancer treatment.
- Mike Henry, as someone has come forward to donate a kidney, so we thank the Lord for his provision and we pray for Mike to be received into the kidney transplant system at the University of Toledo Medical Center, and we pray for the health of the donor.
- Jim Silcox has worked through radiation treatments for cancer.
- Velma Overmier has returned home from rehab at Rupp Rehab.
- Rosemarie Schmidt is recovering well from recent hip replacement surgery.
- Please pray for the following who are mourning the loss of a family member:
 - Steve, Dave & Greg Walker and families upon the death of their mother, Carolyn.
 - Warren Sauder and family upon the death of his brother, Ron, and mother, Bonita.
 - Nate Meyer and family upon the death of his father, Robert.
 - Gary Mann and family upon the death of his mother, Rose Ann.
 - Doug Rupp and family upon the death of his brother, Larry.
- Please continue to remember all our brothers and sisters in the armed forces, praying for their safety.
 - PFC Bostelman, Brenden (Army)** (Alaska)
(Grandson of Bill & Kathy)
 - Kohl Collins (Army)** (Ft. Benning, GA)
(Grandson of Nan Neill)
 - Kyle Ducey (Navy)** (Fort Gordon,GA)
(Son of Kelly & Betsy)
 - Cpt. Jared R. Kuntz (Army)** (Washington D.C.)
(Son of Keith & Kelli)
 - Eric Magg (Coast Guard)** (Ketchikan, AK)
(Son of Joe & Sheryl Short)
 - AB Shane & Taylor Pitts (Air Force)** (Bolling AFB, DC) (Granddaughter of Nan Neill)

A monthly Newsletter for St. John's Christian Church
Family and Friends

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David Richardson (Marines) (Camp Lejeune, NC) (Son of Shannon & Yesi)

Joshua Richardson (Marines) (Camp Lejeune, NC) (Son of Shannon & Yesi)

Steven Schink (Coast Guard) (Port Angeles, WA) (Son-in-Law of Ed & Julie Ruffer)

AJ Short (Marines) (Japan)
(Son of Joe & Sheryl Short)

PFC Stuckey, Kyle (Army) (Killeen, TX)
(Grandson of Nan Neill)

Kollin Woolace (Marines) (Jacksonville, NC)
(Grandson of Larry & Melva)

Please consider sending cards to these people letting them know that we continue to lift them up to God in prayer, that He will guide, comfort and sustain them through these times.



Fairlawn Haven, 407 E. Lutz Rd. Archbold, 43502

Florence Augustine, Room #177

David Lightner, Room #138

Esther Rice, Room #116

Josephine Short, Room #112

Paul Sigg, Room #178

Nancy Ries, Room #158

Fairlawn Asst. Living, 500 Haven Dr., Archbold, 43502

Jane Short, Room #208

William & Donna Buehrer, Room #230

Wayne & Susanne Spiess, Room #228

Independent Living, 600 Haven Dr., Archbold,

Rosemarie Schmidt, Apt. #112

Fulton Manor, 723 S. Shoop Ave., Wauseon, 43567

Robert Kuntz, Room #225-2

Bernice Rice, Room #224-2

Joanne Spotts, Room #113

Northcrest, 240 Northcrest Dr., Napoleon, 43545

Irene Short, Room #100

SKLD, 1104 Wesley Ave., Bryan, 43506

Verlene Lovejoy, Room 203B

pastor's letter

Consider these oft quoted words of Paul from Philippians 3:12-14:

“Not that I have already obtained all this, or have already been made perfect, but I press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus took hold of me. Brothers, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus.”

Having worked through the significant health issues of my son and myself over the course of the past year, I now sense the very real leading of the Spirit of the Lord to press on, straining toward what is ahead. Prior to Paul's words of verses 12-14, he has written about the “surpassing greatness of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord.” Knowing Christ is indeed the greatest joy of all, for in and through Christ we are enabled to live a full life of grace, love and faithfulness.

Grace – forgetting what is behind, forgiving and forgetting any discord, any ill will, any strife between ourselves and someone else. Grace – building new bridges, setting aside differences, seeking unity in Christ. Listening to the Lord, and listening to one another with heart and compassion.

Love – Christ's love. An acceptance of all people, no matter our differences or our divergent lifestyles or life goals, and an acceptance that we are all sinners, no one is perfect, and yet Christ loves us all. An acceptance of Christ's loving command to be holy – our priority is to be Christ-like, to seek the Lord's will for our lives. Paul was pressing on towards God's calling upon his life, not his own individual wants and desires. Love calls us to welcome and accept one another as children of God, but the same love calls us to rebuke (2 Timothy 4:2) one another. The popular mantra of “just do it” is focused on doing what we each personally want to do, where the Christian mantra is expressed in the former popular mantra, “What Would Jesus Do,” out of our love for Christ Jesus.

Faithfulness – no matter the circumstances swirling around Paul, his focus remained heavenward. His energy, his drive, his work was pointed toward faithfulness to God. That's the example we each are challenged to strive towards.

From the fruitful work of the Discernment Team and the two weeks of discernment I pastorally experienced in July, I've shared a document of goals with the Consistory. There are 125 short-term goals listed in that document. These goals focus on several key aspects of ministry here at SJCC: administrative, leadership, facility, worship, Christian Education, youth ministry, fellowship, evangelism, missions, pastoral care, preschool and historical.

As the Consistory discusses and assesses each of these goals, the results will be shared with everyone in the congregation, and my prayer is that each of us will seek a leading of the Spirit as we faithfully press on in the ministries and focus of the church – sharing the gospel of Jesus Christ for the salvation of souls.

Faithfully,

Pastor Erich

congregational news & thank you's

Thank you for helping me go to Miracle Camp. It was so fun and awesome. My favorite things were swimming and making new friends. I really liked chapel because I got to make a stronger relationship with God and Jesus. I'm really excited to go back next year.

Sincerely,
Jace Bernath

Thank you for helping me go to camp. I enjoyed swimming the best.

Cam Yoder



I would like to thank Pastors Erich and Alex for their visits while in the hospital and at home. Thank you all for the prayers that were said for me and Kent! Thank you for the many cards with inspiring and encouraging words! We don't realize how easy it is to get "down" when in a lengthy hospital stay, but all of these things had a part in lifting us up. Thank you to all who had a part in my ongoing recovery! Prayers have been answered! God is good! What a great church family!

Sincerely,
Shiela and Kent Short



Dear SJCC family,

We would again like to thank you for your continued prayers - God is answering them in big ways!! I am almost halfway through radiation treatments and with the exception of fatigue and a few minor side effects, am getting through them quite well so far. The plan is when radiation is completed I will do periodic follow up visits and testing with my oncologist for the next 5 years. This in itself is a miracle as initially the plan was more chemo infusions after radiation. So our wonderful God is gracing us with His healing mercies! Some of you also played a huge roll in the volleyball benefit on my behalf in August - again God is using you in big ways!! We continue to covet your prayers for protection from the radiation treatments (disclaimer given us from our oncologist is radiation can cause cancer as well) and that every cancer cell in my body is destroyed. We love and miss you all, but hope to visit when I have completed and recovered from treatments.

God's blessings on all of you!
Sue (& Tim) Grieser



St. John's Church Family,

We want to thank each one of our church family for the cards, kind words, thoughts, and prayers sent on behalf of our family after the loss of our mother. Special thanks to Erich and Alex, Lynne, Mike and James for their part in the Celebration of Life service, and to Elaine and all those who helped with the meal following the service. We are grateful to have such a caring church family.

The Family of Carolyn Walker



Thank you so much for the college scholarship money. I really appreciate the generosity and support of my church family.

Thank you!
Gabby Nafziger



Thank you for awarding me college scholarship money. I appreciate the willingness and support of the church to help me with my college career.

In Christ,
Clay Nafziger



Scholarship Committee and St. Johns Church Family,

Thank you for rewarding me with the college scholarship. It is greatly appreciated. Also, I would like to say thank you to my church family for all the prayers and support you give me every year.

Thanks again,
Brooke Hines

mission corner

Back Bay Mission Trip – October 5th – 12th, 2019

There is room for twelve participants for this annual fall trip, and there are only nine signed up so far. We've learned that the project being planned for the group is the work of framing two houses which are being built side by side, though they are two different floor plans. Framing a house is a great way for people of any skill level and of any age to get involved, for there are many different tasks in the process. We will be sharing the mission house and the project with a group of youth and adults from a church from Columbus.

The group is scheduled to gather at 7am on Saturday morning and start the 15 hour road trip to Biloxi. We'll stop for the night near Cullman, Alabama and continue the trip on Sunday morning. There will be an orientation time with Back Bay Mission on both Sunday evening and Monday morning. On Thursday morning, the group will participate in a Back Bay Mission program called "In Their Shoes" – educating participants about poverty and homelessness.

The group will head for home sometime Friday afternoon and return to the church by Saturday afternoon, after spending Friday night near Brentwood, Tennessee.

Cost of the trip this year remains at \$250 per person – which covers transportation, lodging, meals and a materials fee for the Mission. Funds from the mission committee provide further support.

Habitat for Humanity of Fulton County Ohio-(HFHFCO)

The home is being built at 910 Zenobia Street in Wauseon, and is being built for a family of five – father, mother and three young children. Volunteer work days are held each Friday and Saturday. People interested in helping can go to the HFHFCO website at <https://habitatfco.org> to see the work schedule and register, or you can contact Pastor Erich. As of the week of 9/16, the majority of the exterior work is complete and volunteers will soon begin to install insulation and drywall.

Mission Experiences

- October 5-12 – Back May Mission Trip, Biloxi, Mississippi
- November 17 – Toledo Gospel Rescue Mission – Chapel Service and Meal

September Mission-A-Month Toledo Gospel Rescue Mission

September's Mission of the Month is the Toledo Gospel Rescue Mission (TGRM). TGRM men's shelter and Rebekah's Haven women's shelter provide for the spiritual, physical and material needs of homeless persons in the Toledo area. We support them prayerfully, financially and with material donations, as well as by preparing and sharing meals and chapel services with their guests.

They ask for continued prayer for the residents in the men's and women's shelters, that they would seek and find relationship with God and begin to put their lives here on earth back together and be productive citizens again.

Usually by the end of the summer the shelves at TGRM are looking rather bare. Please place donated non-perishable food items in the white mission box outside the chapel area. You may also give monetary donations by marking TGRM on your offering envelopes. Thank you for your support in caring for God's people!

November 17 is the next time we'll send a group of folks to lead the evening chapel service and provide the evening meal. Volunteers usually gather at 3pm on Sunday afternoon to car pool to the mission, do final prep for the meal and service, lead the 30 minute service, then serve the meal, and enjoy sitting and eating with the men and women who come to the mission. The group should return to the church between 7:30pm and 8:00pm. Talk with Pastor Erich or Ann Grime if you're interested in helping!

STEPHEN MINISTRY

Read Luke 10:25 – 37 In one of Jesus' parables, a priest and a Levite pass by and notice a man who has been robbed and beaten, but they keep going without offering any help. Then along comes a Samaritan, a despised neighbor. This man stops and takes action in practical ways. He doesn't just throw money at the problem, he gives his time and resources to see that the beaten man is restored to health again. Many people tend to measure their love for God by their commitment to church attendance, Bible study, giving money for ministry, or volunteering at church. While all these things are good, loving our neighbor demands more. To love God with all our heart, soul and mind and strength goes hand in hand with loving our neighbor as ourselves. Do you have a heart for others? Consider becoming a Stephen Minister. Talk to one of the Stephen Minister Team Leaders: Pastor Alex, Gary Frazier, Betsy Redd or Nancy Rupp.

preschool corner

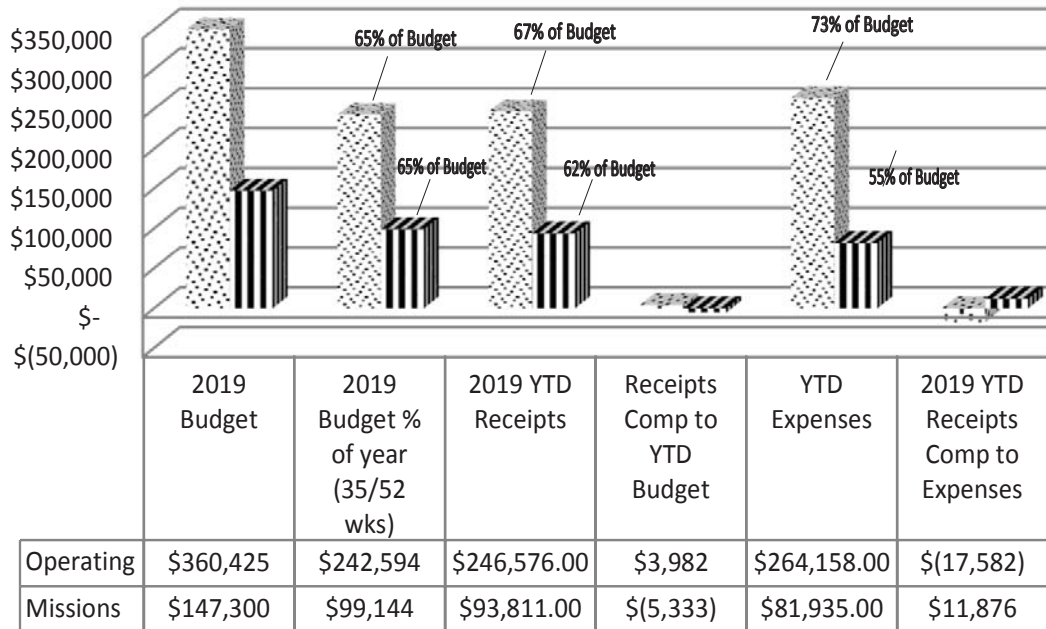
Very soon the halls will be filled with laughter, singing, artwork, and everything ‘preschool’. As many of our little ones will be away from mom and dad for the first time, please pray for the children and their parents. This can be a tough transition for all! Please ask for guidance and patience for the two of us, as we lead these little ones to a better understanding of Jesus, and let them know that He is their friend. Thank you so much!

Joan & Sue

Isaiah 54:13 All your children shall be taught by the LORD, and great shall be the peace of your children.

stewardship

2019 Operating & Mission Funds as of August 31



IYF Building Campaign Total Receipts as of August 31, 2019 - \$729,998.67

ministry happenings

Walk Thru the Bible – Old Testament – November 1st and 2nd

Experience an event that unveils God’s Word as you’ve never known it before. As you walk through the Old Testament, you’ll realize that the Bible is coming to life and your knowledge of its people, places, and themes is rapidly increasing. In just a few short hours, you’ll see the big picture of God’s Story and how it fits together. Like many others, you may walk away saying, “I never understood the Bible like this before!”

Most of all, you’ll develop a deeper connection with the God who wants you to know Him and will never stop pursuing your heart. The more you understand His story, the more you’ll realize it’s your story too. And the more you realize it’s your story, the more His words will change your life.

- Experience the story of the Bible in a way that makes God’s Word come alive.
- Learn 77 hand signs designed to help you understand the big picture of the Old Testament.
- See beyond the facts of the Bible and spark a passion for God’s Word in your life.
- This live event will be a highly engaging, dynamic and memorable event!

Where: St. John’s Christian Church – in the sanctuary

When: Friday evening, November 1 – 7 to 9 PM, Saturday morning – November 2 – 9 AM to Noon

Sign-Up: Sign-up on the bulletin board

Cost: \$10 fee covers workbook, refreshments and partial event cost

ministry happenings

St. John's Christian Preschool Volunteer Substitutes Needed

St. John's Christian Preschool is looking for fun, energetic, and compassionate volunteers to help substitute in our Preschool Room in the absence of either Mrs. MacDonald or Mrs. Wyse.

Our faithful leaders have created a fun learning atmosphere for young children ages 3-5, and want you to help team up with other volunteers that have the same drive to help teach in the classroom. Don't worry! A teaching license is not required!

Volunteers must have the following:

- Be 18 years old or older
- Have a high school diploma/GED
- There are forms and some trainings that will need to be completed, which is something we will be helping you along the way with.

You may be asking yourself, "What's in it for me?"

Service

What better way to serve your church family and community than to take a few days a month to help aide in the classroom. As a substitute, you will help follow the directions of the lead teacher that day, whether it be Mrs. MacDonald or Mrs. Wyse.

Positive Impact on Young Children

Our preschool children are so impressionable at this point in their lives. The positive impact that you can show them through the love of learning about Jesus, and the cool things at the sand table, are a positive light that you can shine on them.

If you are asking yourself if you can give a day or a few days a month to volunteer in our preschool room, please consider! This may not only have a positive impact on our students, but also on you.

The Christian Preschool Board and staff would like to thank all of you that have made efforts to donate to our preschool. Whether that is with school supplies or monetary donations, they are a blessing. If you feel called today or in the coming weeks, please consider donating to the St. John's Preschool to assist us with supplies or simply volunteering your time in the classroom for a fun experience!

ReviveOhio: Fulton County

ReviveOhio: Fulton County is an extended outreach set to take place October 25-31. To date, 18 churches throughout the county are involved in preparing for this outreach event. Pastor Erich is working with Archbold Evangelical Church to be a one of the event's noon time locations. Following training sessions in the mornings and afternoons, teams will hit the streets to talk and pray with others, showing the same love and compassion Jesus showed when He walked the streets of Judea. Mark your calendars and plan to be a part of this spirit-led time!

ReviveOhio: Fulton County – Come & See Night

Learn more about ReviveOhio: Fulton County at our Come & See Night on **September 15 from 6:30-8:30pm** at Pettisville Missionary Church (19055 County Road D, Pettisville, OH 43553)! This evening will include community worship, teaching and sharing the vision of what is to come when the Church of Fulton County embraces unity, hunger and humility! *"I appeal to you, brothers, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you agree, and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same judgment."* —1 Corinthians 1:10

Ministries:

LOGOS – The first night of LOGOS will be Wednesday, September 18! We will follow the same schedule as in the past, with our meal beginning at 6:00pm in the Parish Hall – doors will open at 5:50 pm. Parents may register their 5 year old through 5th grade youth for LOGOS by completing the LOGOS registration form on the LOGOS bulletin board in the chapel narthex. Completed forms may be placed in the folder on the LOGOS bulletin board, dropped off in the church office, mailed to the church, or emailed to Kim M. Walker at gkwalker@rteceexpress.net.

ministry happenings

LOGOS volunteers needed.

As we continue to make plans for LOGOS, our Wednesday evening ministry for children, we are in need of additional volunteers. Please prayerfully consider sharing your gifts in one or more of the following roles. For more information on any of the positions, please contact Kim M. Walker at 567-239-2021 or gkwalker@rtexpress.net

-LOGOS Table Parent – Table Parents show genuine interest in each child at their table; encourage the children to engage in family time conversation; model what it looks like to treat others as a child of God. Time commitment: Wednesday evening from 5:50 – 6:50 pm weekly or on a rotational basis.

-LOGOS Bible Study Teacher – Teach one grade level of children from the provided

-LOGOS Faith for Life curriculum; develop positive relationships with the children; facilitates the building of positive relationships among the children. Time commitment: Wednesday evening from 7:15 – 7:50 pm weekly or on a rotational basis.

-LOGOS Bible Study Assistant – Be present and assist the Bible Study Teacher with any necessary tasks. Time commitment: Wednesday evening from 7:15 – 7:50 pm weekly or on a rotational basis.

-LOGOS Preschool Classroom Assistant - Be present and assist the Bible Study Teacher with any necessary tasks. Time commitment: Wednesday evening from 6:45 – 8:00 pm weekly or on a rotational basis.

-LOGOS Jr. Choir Assistant – Be present and assist the Jr. Choir Director with non-musical tasks. Time commitment: Wednesday evening from 6:45 – 7:20 pm on a rotational basis.

-LOGOS Hand Chime Assistant – Be present and assist the Hand Chime Director with non-musical tasks. Time commitment: Wednesday evening from 6:45 – 7:20 pm on a rotational basis.

-LOGOS Table Decorations – Provide simple decorations for each LOGOS table to go with the weekly theme. May use decorations that we have accumulated over the years or come up with your own. Time commitment: Wednesday late afternoons – must have tables decorated by 5:40 pm weekly or on a rotational basis.

ministry happenings

JYF

We are getting excited for another season of JYF! Students grades 6-8 can mark your calendars for our first gathering, Sept. 18. Join us for a meal at 6:00 on Wednesday evenings, or show up at 6:45 for a time of devotion, games, sharing, laughter and getting to know our community. We can't wait to catch up with all of you!

Pastor Alex and Eliot Nofziger co-lead a Bible study on Tuesday mornings, 7:15-8am, at the Archbold Middle School, open to all middle schoolers.

SYF

Senior Youth Fellowship exists for high school students to connect with each other, with the SYF leaders, and with God.

The high school girls are meeting together for breakfast and Bible study every Friday morning. For more information, contact Jenny Young.

The Outback

The Outback starts up again on Tuesday, Sept. 17 for grades 5th-8th. It begins at 6:30 and ends at 8:30. We are looking for leaders, people who can provide snacks and your prayers. For more information, please see Judy Grime.

Events/ Activities:

Third Thursday Luncheons

September's lunch and fellowship will be on September 19th. The luncheon will begin at 11:30am with a time of welcome and fellowship, with lunch to be served at 11:45am. Following the meal, folks will have opportunity to enjoy a group activity – a game, program, discussion or study topic. Come on out and enjoy some friendly Christian fellowship

Men's Ministry

A monthly time to gather, enjoy breakfast and fellowship, hear a testimony, share joys and concerns, and pray together. Our meeting time for September is Saturday, the 14th at 7:00AM.

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.

consistory/committees

Church Treasurer

With the pending retirement of Roger Miller as the church treasurer, the Personnel Committee is beginning the process of searching for the next treasurer of the church. The following job description has been a proved by the Consistory:

Church Treasurer Job Description (August 6, 2019)

The church treasurer is responsible for management of the church's tithes, offerings and finances, including the duties associated with the collection, recording, management, investment, and spending of the church's money.

Position Description

The church treasurer will work with the Consistory to manage the church's finances and attend to general bookkeeping, payroll, and tax responsibilities.

Essential Duties and Responsibilities of a Church Treasurer

1. Oversees the collection, sorting, recording and deposit of offerings, donations and other income each week, with assistance from the Ushers, Administrative Assistant and Offering Assistants.
2. In conjunction with the Administrative Assistant, issues receipts for large donations.
3. Keeps detailed records of all financial transactions.
4. Payroll – manages payroll of church employees, ensuring accurate and timely processing of payroll, remittance and filing of taxes, preparation of tax forms (i.e. W-2's, 1099's), and health insurance online compliance forms with the government.
5. Assists the Personnel Committee with pre-hire forms – such as I-9's and W-4's
6. Provides church ledger to the Administrative Assistant, who will reconcile church bank statements with the church's ledger.
7. Works with the Budget and Stewardship Committee to invest large donations to supplement the church's trust.
8. Assists in tracking investments and delivers quarterly earnings statement to the church's board.
9. Presents a quarterly statement on the church's finances to church members and donors.
10. Participates in any financial audits.
11. Inspires confidence from the congregation and the staff as to his or her integrity and ability.
12. Attends meetings with the church executive staff to go over finances and stay aware of any upcoming expenses, events, or changes to the church's operation.

Required Knowledge, Skills and Abilities

1. Must have strong general competencies with bookkeeping, financial auditing, investing, accounting, and processing.
2. Must be very well organized and have an exceptional attention to detail.
3. Must be trustworthy and honest in all dealings.
4. Must be committed to the mission and goals of the church.
5. Must be familiar with the tax code as governs religious and non-profit entities.
6. Must be willing to research and learn more about effective financial practices, accounting, bookkeeping and filing taxes.
7. Must be able to work well with church staff, volunteers, committee members, and the church's leadership.
8. Must be comfortable being supervised in a close capacity.
9. Must be committed to the confidentiality of all donations and financial information.
10. Must be familiar with Microsoft Excel and with Quick Books.

Education and Experience

1. Preferably will have a bachelor's degree in finance, accounting, or business.
2. Must have experience as a CPA, treasurer of a company or organization, or finance management.

Anyone interested in this position may contact Laura Johnson, Personnel Committee chairperson.
lajohnson57@gmail.com or 419-304-4083

Leadership Development

The Spiritual Council is asking everyone to be praying for the people of this congregation that Jesus has equipped to serve and be leaders. The Spiritual Council is praying for discernment and wisdom, asking God to help guide them to men and women He has equipped to lead St. John's.

There is also an awareness that many leaders might not believe they are fully equipped to accept a leadership nomination, so the Spiritual Council will be offering some leadership development classes in the near future..

How many leadership positions are there in SJCC? Currently, the following positions are filled in the ministry of SJCC:

- Officers – 2 (Must be a member of SJCC)
- Elders – 6 (Must be a member of SJCC)
- Deacons/Deaconesses – 9 (Must be a member of SJCC)
- Accompanists/Worship Leaders/Song Leaders/Children's Message Leaders/Techs/Band – 21
- Committee Members – 62 (with some serving on multiple committees)
- Ministry Teachers/Leaders/Servants – over 70 (many serve in multiple capacities)
- That's a total of 170 leadership positions! Wow!

What are the basic qualifications of being a leader in SJCC ministries? A quick list includes:

1. Engage in daily devotions, daily prayer and be active in the ministries of the congregation
2. Be representative of the congregation
3. Willingness to volunteer time towards meetings and activities
4. Openness to share in discussions and decision making in committee meetings
5. Enthusiasm and commitment in participating in the committee's work

Evangelical Association News

The 2019 Annual Convocation of the Evangelical Association will be held here at St. John's on September 20-22. The theme of the three day event is "Equip and Empower," drawing upon Ephesians 4:12 – "To equip God's people to do the works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up."

Please uphold this event in your prayers, seeking God's blessing upon the participants who will travel from around the country to attend this event, and seeking God's guidance to be upon the keynote speakers and workshop leaders.

We are grateful for the many people from SJCC who have volunteered to help with the event. People wishing to enjoy any of the times of worship, keynotes and workshop can check out informational brochures on the table in the chapel narthex and let Pastor Erich know of your interest – so we can include you in the workshop numbers to make sure we have room sizes correct!

Pictorial Directory

If you have signed up for a photo session for the pictorial, you will be getting a call in the next week or two with your time. If you have not yet signed up, you may still do so or you may also submit your own photo. We are hoping for 100% participation!

Preschool Corner: Very soon the halls will be filled with laughter, singing, artwork, and everything 'preschool'. As many of our little ones will be away from mom and dad for the first time, please pray for the children and their parents. This can be a tough transition for all! Please ask for guidance and patience for the two of us, as we lead these little ones to a better understanding of Jesus, and let them know that He is their friend. Thank you so much!

Joan & Sue

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
8:00 & 10:30AM Worship 9:15AM SS/Faith Village 9:15AM Confirmation		Mission-A-Month— Toledo Gospel Rescue Mission (TGRM)	Elder of the Month— Todd Nafziger			
1 4:00PM Youth Praise Band Rehearsal 6:00PM Revive Ohio Prayer— Fair	2 Office Closed	3 9:15AM Bible Study 5:00PM Community Meal 7:00PM SYF Leaders Mtg. 7:00PM Capital Campaign	4 8:30AM Moms in Prayer No SYF	5 7:00PM Mission Comm.	6	7
8 3:00PM TGRM Chapel & Meal 4:00PM Youth Praise Band Rehearsal 6:00PM Revive Ohio Prayer— Oasis	9 11:00AM Staff Meeting 7:00PM Stephen Ministry Peer Support	10 9:15AM Bible Study 4:00PM Laundry Buddy Ministry 5:00PM Community Meal 7:00PM Property Committee	11 8:30AM Moms in Prayer 9:00AM W. Haven Bible St. 7:00PM Life PI/SYF Remix	12	13	14 7:00AM Men's Breakfast 8:00AM Crossroad Child and Family Ser- vice Day of Work
15 Blanket Sunday 4:00PM Youth Praise Band Rehearsal 6:00PM Revive Ohio Prayer— Come & See EA Convocation	16 11:00AM Staff Meeting 6:15PM Spiritual Council 7:30PM Consistory	17 9:15AM Bible Study 5:00PM Community Meal 7:00PM Christian Preschool Board Meeting	18 8:30AM Moms in Prayer 5:50PM LOGOS/JYF Starts 7:00PM SYF 7:30PM Chancel Choir Reh.	19	20 EA Convocation	21
22 4:00PM Youth Praise Band Rehearsal 6:00PM Revive Ohio	23 11:00AM Staff Meeting 7:00PM Stephen Ministry Peer Supervision 7:00PM FISH Board Mtg.	24 9:15AM Bible Study 4:00PM Laundry Buddy Minis- try 5:00PM Community Meal 7:00PM CE Team	25 8:30AM Moms in Prayer 9:00AM W. Haven Bible St. 5:50PM LOGOS/JYF 7:00PM SYF 7:30PM Chancel Choir Reh.	26	27	28 JYF Camp Palmer
29 4:00PM Youth Praise Band Rehearsal 6:00PM Revive Ohio Prayer - Crossroads	30 11:00AM Staff Meeting 2-8:30PM First Day of Pictorial Photo Sessions					

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

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| 2 Krayton Kern | 17 David Lightner, Ashley Short |
| 3 Brent & Elaine Winzeler | 18 Larry & Kathy Bechstein, Kade Kern, Sue Ruffer |
| 5 Karsen Pursel, Kelsey Wyse | 20 Kelly Ducey, Rayne Kinsman,
Dencel & Phyllis Miller, Ethan Warncke |
| 6 Bob DeVries, Brianna Jenkins | 21 Kim Kern, Melva Woolace |
| 7 Scott Short | 22 Kathy Bostelman, Rachel Grieser |
| 8 Gloria Lauber, Darlene Sauder, Toby Walker | 23 Sara Greek |
| 9 Barb Stover | 24 Jacob Layton |
| 10 Avery Roth, Evynn Roth | 25 Kennedy Hurst, Kelli Kuntz, Tara Meyer,
Keith Wyse |
| 11 Kenny & Shirley Nafziger, Wayne & Susie Spiess | 26 Roger Merillat, Esther Rupp |
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Linda Hayes, Roger Miller | |
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Wyrick | |
| 16 Willie Buehrer, Angie Neuenschwander | |

✿ Please let us know if we do not have your special day correct. Thank you.

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September Worship Schedule

September 15	8:00am Service	Scriptures – Psalm 99, John 4:24 Sermon – “How Should We Worship God?” – Pastor Alex
	10:30am Service	Chancel Choir – “Joyfully Sing His Praise” Chancel Players from Malone University
September 22	9:00am	Sunday school – for adults in the sanctuary – as part of the Evangelical Association Convocation
	10:00am	Chancel Choir – “Is He Worthy?” Rev. Jim Barnes, National Minister of the EA will preach
	11:30am	Annual Chicken BBQ
September 29		Scriptures – Psalm 118:28-29, Psalm 118:19-27 Sermon – “This Day” – Pastor Erich Guest Presentation – Seth Adkins of ReviveOhio
October 6		World Communion Sunday Scriptures – Psalm 67, 1 Peter 4:12-19 Sermon – “Respond by Being Holy” – Pastor Alex (10:30) Chancel Choir – “If We Truly Believe”

Scheduled Special Events

- Malone University’s Chancel Players will offer three dramas during the 10:30 service on September 15th. Through the presentation of dramatic sketches, the Chancel Players take treasured stories off the pages of Scripture and bring these stories to life on stage. They bring comedy and drama, laughter and tears to any audience.
- Siberian Solstice is a musical group from northwest Ohio providing an exciting contemporary set of Christmas music as originally performed by the nationally acclaimed group “TRANS-SIBERIAN ORCHESTRA” (TSO). The music format of traditional Christmas music and other classical pieces with electronic keyboards, drums, and guitars is enjoyed by all age groups. “SIBERIAN SOLSTICE” has eight members on stage to accurately reproduce the TSO style and will perform approximately 90 minutes. They present the program “An Angel’s Gift” with music, song and light show! Siberian Solstice will perform their Christmas concert on Sunday, December 8th at 7:00pm.
- The Mark Trammel Gospel Quartet will perform at SJCC on Sunday, March 1st at 6:00pm.

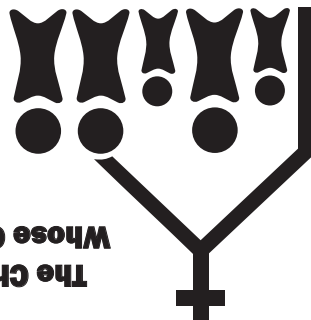
September Daily Scriptures

(From "Discovery" Daily Devotional)

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1 The Good Life -----	Psalm 16	16 False Teachers-----	1 Timothy 1:1-11
2 Is God Enough? -----	Job 1:1-22	17 How to Fight Well -----	1 Timothy 1:12-20
3 Why Do We Suffer?-----	Job 2:1-13	18 An Elephant or Two -----	1 Timothy 2:1-154
4 The Darkness of Despair. -----	Job 3:1-26	19 Integrity -----	1 Timothy 3:1-7
5 Talk is Cheap -----	Job 4:1-21	20 A Clear Conscience -----	1 Timothy 3:8-13
6 Religious Discomfort -----	Job 5:1-27	21 True Godliness -----	1 Timothy 3:14-4:5
7 Theology Drives Everything -----	Job 6:1-30	22 Consider the Stars -----	Psalm 19
8 Confident Prayer-----	Psalm 17	23 Spiritual Diligence-----	1 Timothy 4:6-16
9 Still in Relationship-----	Job 9:1-35	24 The Mark of the Christian -----	1 Timothy 5:1-16
10 My Living Redeemer-----	Job 19:1-29	25 Pillars-----	1 Timothy 5:17-6:2
11 God Speaks -----	Job 38:1-41	26 Contentment-----	1 Timothy 6:3-10
12 Behemoth -----	Job 40:1-24	27 Eternal Life-----	1 Timothy 6:11-16
13 Leviathan -----	Job 41:1-11	28 Hope in God, Not Stuff -----	1 Timothy 6:17-21
14 The End?-----	Job 42:1-17	29 Strong in the Lord -----	Psalm 20
15 Loved: We Love-----	Psalm 18	30 Approaching God-----	Numbers 3:1-13

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