

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.

### November 10, 2019

# 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 w	vorship.
Lighting of the Altar Candles and Ringing of the Tower B The lighted candles symbolize God's presence, and Christ, the Light of th Inscribed on the Tower Bells – "To the Glory of God, and for the Calling	e World.
Welcome and Announcements	
Scripture and Prayer of Invocation	Psalm 25:16-22 (p. 545)
Prelude	"Beautiful One/And Can It Be"
<pre><b>†</b>Hymns of Praise – #404 #271</pre>	"The Solid Rock" "Standing on the Promises"
<b>†</b> Passing the Peace of Christ	
Spotlight on Ministry –Stephen Ministry	
Ministry of Prayer Prayer Hymn – #433 Prayers of the People Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer (debts/debtors)	"Sweet Hour of Prayer"
Children's Message	
(10:30) Chancel Choir	"A Song in the Morning"
Scripture Reading	John 1:10-14 (p. 1049)
Sermon	"An Epidemic to Solve"
Sharing Our Tithes and Offerings	
Offertory	"Knowing You"
The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication	
†Closing Hymn – #191	"There Is Power in the Blood"
†Spoken Benediction	
†Benediction in Song – #282	"The Family of God"
†Postlude	

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### **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** – If you are experiencing loneliness, or know of someone who is lonely, pray the words of David's prayer from Psalm 25:16-21: "Turn to me and be gracious to me, for I am lonely and afflicted. The troubles of my heart have multiplied; free me from my anguish. Look upon my affliction and my distress and take away all my sins. See how my enemies have increased and how fiercely they hate me! Guard my life and rescue me; let me not be put to shame, for I take refuge in you. May integrity and uprightness protect me, because my hope is in you." Amen.

### Next Sunday - November 17, 2019

Sermon – "Footsteps - A New Version" by Erich Christman Scripture – Ecclesiastes 3:1-8

### Vocal Recital – November 16

Come and enjoy an evening with Marie Engle for a vocal recital and her pianist Mary Castello on Saturday, November 16, 2019 @ 7:00 PM at Central Mennonite Church (21703 St. Rt 2 Archbold OH). The evening will include 20th Century songs by great composers such as Poulenc, Berg, and Copland and favorite hits from the American Songbook. A freewill offering will be taken to support the artists.

# November Mission-A-Month - Christmas Cheer

### WOMEN

We are inviting women to come and join in a women's ensemble to sing during the Sermon In Music on December 8th. This should be a fun time of learning a song to share with the congregation and enjoy time together. There will be copies of the music titled "Mary's Little Boy Child" in the office to look at and pick up. We will be rehearsing on Wed. November 20th at 7:15 and Wed. December 4th at 7:00. Please let Andrew Rohrs or Lynne Christman know if you are interested or have any questions. Come enjoy making music for the Lord with us.

> Happy Thanksgiving

### **Thursday Luncheon**

The Third Thursday Luncheon will be on November 21st. Turkey, mashed potatoes, gravy, dressing, vegetable and dessert will be the menu! Following lunch, Judy Sears will be sharing about her experiences with Operation Christmas Child. Come enjoy the delicious food, fellowship and fun!



IYF Building Campaign Total Receipts as of November 5, 2019 - \$747,577.67

## WEEK OF November 10 At St. JOHN'S CHRISTIAN CHURCH

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Sun	8:00AM	Worship Service (Sanctuary)
		Veteran's Breakfast
	9:15AM	Confirmation / Faith Village / Sunday School
		Worship Service (Sanctuary)
		Couple's Small Group
		Seeker's (Kuntz's)
Mon		Staff Meeting (Office Closed)
		Stephen Ministry Peer Supervision (Chapel)
		Praise Band Rehearsal
Tues	7:15AM	YFC Bible Study (AMS)
		Bible Study (Fireside Room)
	4:00PM	Laundry Buddy Ministry
	4:00PM	Budget & Stewardship Committee (Fireside Room)
	5:00PM	Community Meal (Meal Hosted by Zion Mennonite Church)
	7:00PM	Christian Preschool Committee (Chapel)
		Property Committee (Fireside Room)
Wed	8:30AM	Mom's in Prayer (Upstairs Classroom)
	9:00AM	West Haven Bible Study
	5:50PM	LOGOS/JYF
		Facility Committee (Fireside room)
	7:00PM	Life Planning
	7:00PM	Orientation Session 2 (Nursery)
		JYF Handbells
Thurs		Personnel Committee (Fireside Room)
Sat		Music Teacher's Association
Sun	8:00AM	Worship Service (Sanctuary)
		Confirmation / Faith Village / Sunday School
		Worship Service (Sanctuary)
		Jr. Church
		Get Acquainted Luncheon
	3:00PM	TGRM Chapel & Meal

**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:

November 11 - Taking the Long View	1 Chronicles 17:1-15
November 12 - In Prayer	
November 13 - Parents and Children	1 Chronicles 22:1-19
November 14 - Put Your Feet Up With God	1 Chronicles 28:1-21
November 15 - The Gift of Giving	1 Chronicles 29:1-20
November 16 - God's Anointed	1 Chronicles 29:21-30
November 17 - Your Greatest Fear	Psalm 27

Scripture – John 1:10-14 Sermon Title – "An Epidemic to Solve"

John 1:10-11 "He was in the world, and though the world was made through him, the world did not recognize him. 11 He came to that which was his own, but his own did not receive him."

John 1:14 "The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the One and Only, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth."

The Incarnation – Jesus becoming flesh and dwelling among us – speaks volumes to a world encapsulated by loneliness.

Consider a story shared by Rick Jones, former director of the area YFC ministries:

A doctor wrote: "Yesterday it was her arm that was hurting, before that her hip. Truth is, Doris is an incredibly healthy 82-year-old, and we can't find anything. I have no doubt that it will be the same today."

When the x-rays came back normal, he told Doris that he would have to stick to the plan of sending her home. Doris looked down at the floor and quietly said, "I don't want to go home ... it's just that I'm all alone and there are so many hours in the day." Then after a long pause, she sighed and asked, "Doctor, can you give me a cure for loneliness?"

Exodus 29:46 "They will know that I am the Lord their God, who brought them out of Egypt so that I might dwell among them. I am the Lord their God."

Psalm 68:4-6 – being family in the church

Consider befriending a "Mr. Josh" or a "Mrs. Thomas" or a "Mr. Bill"

### Missionaries Supported by Our Congregation

- Africa Tom & Megan The Islands serving since 2009, Tom and Megan, with their children, Grace, Peter and David, continue serving with a team focused on teaching English, offering translation workshops, mentoring and discipleship.
- Akron David Hench Reliant at Akron University serving since 2018, David grew up in Wauseon, graduated from Akron U in 2017, and he married Blair last summer. David is focused on discipling students and is involved in weekly Bible studies and worship services
- Ann Arbor Kyle Chase Reliant Mission at University of Michigan serving since 2008, Kyle is married to Melissa, and they have two sons, Jaden and Brennan. Kyle serves as pastor of New Life Church and has oversight and discipleship of North Campus students and staff as well as oversight of the teaching ministry at New Life Church
- Bowling Green Robert & Jenni McMahan Cru at BGSU originally from Napoleon, Robert & Jenni started serving in September of 2018 and continue to build relationships with other staff and with students.
- Brazil Tony & Leila Frank Tony is originally from Stryker, and after serving in Russia and Mozambique, they transitioned to Brazil in 2014. They are engaged in teaching at a local church, teaching bible and discipleship at a college campus, and translation work.
- Chicago Jon & Rachel Doriot Pioneers we began supporting Jon & Rachel, and their children, Jadon, Brendan, Joshua and Asher, in 2012, when they were in Indonesia. They transitioned to Chicago in the fall of 2016 where they train believers in discipleship, reach out to lost Muslims, and network broadly with like-minded people.
- Columbus Matt & Paige Waanders Cru at Ohio State University Paige is a granddaughter of Lenny & Jean Stamm, and after serving a year in Brazil, they returned to Cru at OSU in July of 2017. Matt continues to oversee aspects of Cru's ministry in Brazil and the two of them serve at OSU, as well as at Columbus State University.
- Dominican Republic Jason & Becky Suon Freedom International from the Pettisville area, they started serving 2017. Jason works on the maintenance staff at the school and Becky works in the preschool. They have four children – Finn, Paisley, Stacia and Moses.
- Dominican Republic Daniel & Bethany Schrock Freedom International from the Pettisville/Wauseon area, started serving this year. Their children are Luke and Grace.
- India Dr. Shobha Arole & Mr. Ravi Arole CRHP Jamkhed Shobha and Ravi are the children of the CRHP founders, who we've partnered with since 1967. CRHP includes a hospital, preschool, training center, teaching farm, prosthetic leg workshop and much more, all the while sharing Christ and providing quality health care to 40 villages.
- Kenya Founded by Larry & Linda Rupp in 1994 Kajiado Children's Home The home serves 60 to 90 orphans, providing lodging, meals, education, faith and a loving family environment. Gaye List serves as the chairperson of the KCH Board.
- Toledo Matt Pardi Reliant Mission at University of Toledo Matt and MaryLynn served at OSU for six years, and we began supporting them in 2010 when they were at BGSU. They are the parents of Dominic, Isabella and Max. Matt serves as pastor and network director, at both Toledo and Bowling Green State University.

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

•Sue Ruffer fell at work and was life-flighted to St. V's on Wednesday. She suffered 10 broken ribs and a broken elbow. Pray for her healing and peace of mind.

- •Audrey Smith is now a patient at the Defiance Area Inpatient Hospice Center.
- •Toni Neuenschwander is recovering from surgery to repair a broken elbow.
- •Jodi Beltz is recovering from surgery to repair a ligament in one of her fingers.
- •Mary Ellen Johnson is at Rupp Rehab at Fairlawn following hip replacement surgery.
- •Ella Yoder continues in the healing process following arm surgery.
- •Mike Henry and the kidney donor it's lengthy, slow process, so please pray for Mike's health and for patience and perseverance for both through the process.
- •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).
- •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 Ushers

Nursery Staff

Worship Leader

Computer Tech

Sound Tech

Video Tech

Song Leader

Accompanist

- (8:00) Ian Grime (Head) Steve Walker
  - (10:30) Matt & Kim Hines, Karen Walker, Michael Walker
  - (8:00) Gary & Judy Sears
  - (10:30) Katie & Scott Helberg (Nov. 17) Travis & Mindy Gruenhagen

(10:30) Blake Grime

- (8:00) Angie Neuenschwander (10:30) James Ġrime
- (10:30) Dean Sauder
- (Both) Linda Heer
- (Both) Tom Hines
- (Both) Mike Meyer
- (Both) Lynne Christman

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