



Ann & Norm Fether

Come Hear the Reason we're Inspired to **Serve Together**



Jr. Choir

Welcome to



**ST. JOHN'S  
CHRISTIAN  
CHURCH**

**“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.*

January 19, 2020

10:00AM

## Welcome to our Worship of God!

Lighting of the Altar Candles and Ringing of the Tower Bells

Welcome, Announcements, Scripture and Prayer of Invocation Proverbs 19:20-21 (p. 644)

Prelude "Morning Has Broken"

### †Call to Worship

L: In the beginning God created light, and God saw that the light was good.

**P: Morning broke open on the first day.**

L: Our God has sent the light, the Light of the world.

**P: Jesus the Christ came to the world's people.**

L: We walk in the light, as God is in the light, and we have fellowship with one another.

**P: God's Light illumines our lives; and opens us to worship this day.**

### †Affirmation of Faith - The Apostles' Creed

### †Praise Songs

"Holy Is the Lord"  
"We Are One Body"

### †Passing the Peace of Christ

Ministry of Prayer

Praises & Petitions

Prayer Hymn -#429, red

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

"Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying"

Children's Message

Junior Choir

"Light of the World"

Scripture Reading

Luke 2:41-52 (p. 1015)

Sermon

"Listening in Silence"

Sharing Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

"Still, Still, Still"

### †The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

### † Praise Song

"Trust in You"

### †Spoken Benediction

(Transition to the Congregational Annual Meeting)



## Welcome . . .

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### **Guests and Visitors**

Welcome, welcome, welcome, to SJCC! We are so glad you have chosen to join us as we worship the Lord together and enjoy fellowship. We hope you have felt God's love in a new, refreshing way. So that our pastor may follow up with you, please fill out one of the pew cards and drop it in the offering plate later in the service.

### **St. John's Christian Preschool**

A learning, Christian ministry geared for children 3-5 years of age. Registration for the 2020-2021 school year (September through May) begins on January 1st. Starting with the new school year, we will offer three sessions: Tues/Thurs morning and Mon/Wed/Fri morning and afternoon. More information is available at [www.stjohnsarchbold.org](http://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.

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**Congregational Prayer** – Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace, I humbly come before you in prayer, bowing in reverence and reflection. I know that I fill my prayers with my words and my thoughts, and I know you listen as you want to hear from me, but today, I take this time to be silent, to pause, to be still and know that you are God. As I pray, with various thoughts and images going through my mind, I seek to listen for your voice, for your guiding Spirit...(after a time)...Amen

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## *January Mission-A-Month* *Church World Service Emergency Clean Up Kits*

The supplies provided in these clean up kits enable people to begin the overwhelming job of cleaning up after a flood, hurricane, tornado, or other disaster here in the United States. Please use your weekly offering envelopes for your donations and mark them M-A-M or CWS Kits.

## **Sermon Notes**

Scripture – Luke 2:41-52

Sermon Title – “Listening in Silence”

Someone shared the following quote:

“The two words “silent” and “listen” contain the same letters arranged differently...in whatever relationship you may be in, the best way to listen is to remain silent.”

Basic Techniques of Effective Listening – an active process

- a. Friend to friend, parent to child, child to parent, counselor to counselee
- b. Set aside your own “self” so as to concentrate on what is being said
- c. Avoid verbal and nonverbal expressions that can distract the one speaking
- d. Listen to what is said, but also notice what gets left out
- e. Wait patiently through periods of silence, through tears

Listening in silence to God

Follow the example of Jesus...

Follow the teaching of scripture...

Psalm 46:10-11 – “Be still, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth.” The Lord Almighty is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.

Proverbs 18:13 – He who answers before listening – that is his folly and his shame.

Luke 10:39 – She (Martha) had a sister called Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet listening to what he said.

## **WEEK OF January 19 At St. JOHN'S CHRISTIAN CHURCH**

Sun	9:00AM	Sunday School Hour
	10:00AM	Worship (Sanctuary)
	11:15AM	Annual Meeting
	12:15PM	Lunch Served by the SYF
Mon	11:00AM	Staff Meeting (Office Closed)
	11:00AM	SYF Ice Skating - Meet at the church
Tues	7:15AM	YFC Bible Study - AMS
	9:15AM	Bible Study
	5:00PM	Community Meal (Hosted and served by SJCC)
	7:00PM	CE Team
Wed	8:30AM	Mom's in Prayer (Upstairs Classroom)
	9:00AM	Bible Study at West Haven
	5:50PM	LOGOS/JYF
	7:00PM	SYF
	7:30PM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Thurs	4:00PM	Laundry Buddy Ministry
Sat	9:00AM	Consistory/Discernment
Sun	8:00AM	Worship Service (Sanctuary)
	9:15AM	Confirmation / Sunday School/Faith Village
	10:30AM	Worship Service (Sanctuary)

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### **Next Sunday – January 26, 2020**

Sermon – “Jesus Among the Lampstands” by Pastor Erich Christman  
Scripture – Revelation 2:1-7

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**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%20ReadingDiscovery>. Below is the list of daily readings for this week:

January 20 - Absolute Authority ..... Luke 4:31-37  
January 21 - At His Father's Feet..... Luke 4:38-44  
January 22 - Redefining Success..... Luke 5:1-11  
January 23 - Powerful Love..... Luke 5:12-16  
January 24 - Faithful, Faith-Full Friends..... Luke 5:17-26  
January 25 - Two Kinds of People? ..... Luke 5:27-32  
January 26 - Wisdom for the Worried..... Psalm 37

## 2019 Giving Statements

Giving Statements are available on a table in the sanctuary narthex, arranged alphabetically.

## This Week In Our Youth Ministry

SYF is going ice skating on Monday, 1/20. We'll leave from the church at 11am and then skate from 12-1:30pm at the Sylvania Tam-O-Shanter. Cost for ice skating is \$10. We'll return to the church at 2:30pm.



IYF Building Campaign Total Receipts as of January 13, 2020 - \$766,888.36

## **Dominican Republic Mission Trip**

June 13 – 20, 2020

Freedom International Ministries is located on the island of Hispaniola, in the Dominican Republic. Currently, they are based out of a town called San Pedro de Macorís. San Pedro is home to more than 190,000 people. Founded in the late 19th century, this city is situated along the Caribbean Sea on the south coast of the island.

Freedom has started a bilingual, Christian school near the town of Ramón Santana. Over 100 sugarcane villages are found in the surrounding area. Their school serves families of Ramón Santana and the nearby bateyes. They have 410 students enrolled in eight levels for the 2019-2020 school year. Each year, another grade will be added. The final goal is to grow the school to 1,800 students. A student who attends Freedom from pre-school to high school graduation will have 18,000 hours of contact time with teachers and staff who love the Lord.

Through mission trips, Freedom invites people to participate in what God is doing in the Dominican Republic, spending time loving on “the least of these,” reflecting on what God is doing in their own life, all the while, helping to further the ministry of Freedom.

St. John’s supports two missionary families serving with Freedom – Jason & Becky Suon and Daniel & Bethany Schrock. The trip in June is joint effort between Pettisville Missionary Church (PMC) and St. John’s. At the present time, PMC has 20 youth and adults and SJCC has 17 youth and adults participating, so the group will total 37!

Starting with today’s spaghetti luncheon, the SYF will be working to raise funds for the trip, as the cost per person is \$1,500. Support is being offered through the church’s mission budget, team fundraisers and participant support.

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

- Jamie Beck had fusion surgery in her lower back on Wednesday and will be recuperating for the next twelve weeks.
- Velma Overmier is in rehab at Fulton Manor, room 211-2, following hip surgery.
- Audrey Smith is now living in assisted living at Genacross (Alpine Village) in Napoleon, located at 1036 S. Perry Street, 43545.
- Sandy Miller is undergoing chemo treatment.
- Sue Ruffer continues to recover from a second surgery on her elbow.
- Emma Hall continues to recover at home from recent hip surgery.
- Brenden Bostelman, stationed in Alaska (Army) (Grandson of Bill & Kathy).
- Kohl Collins, at Ft. Benning Georgia (Army) (Grandson of Nan Neill).
- Kyle Ducey, at Suffolk, VA (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**

Acolyte	Leah Nafziger
Ushers	(Head) Dave Walker
	Tom & Laura Johnson, Dave & Paige Miller
Nursery Staff	Chris & Amy Baden (January 26) Josh & Kasey Grime
Sound Tech	James Grime
Video Tech	Dean Sauder
Worship Leader	Brad Roth
Song Leader	Andrew Rohrs
Computer Tech	Tom Hines
Accompanist	Buffy Riley

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