

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.

February 2, 2020

Welcome to our Worship of God!

Lighting of the Altar Candles and Ringing of the Tower Bells

Welcome, Announcements, Scripture and Prayer of Invocation

Prelude

⁺Call to Worship

Leader: We gather in your name to honor and worship you.

People: Move among us this morning.

Leader: We celebrate your presence in worship this morning.

Open our heart and ears to hear. People:

We give thanks for your blessing of new church family members. Leader:

People: Give us a welcoming and inviting spirit.

Leader: We offer all we have to your service.

Equip and empower us to share your light. People:

ALÎ: All glory, honor and thanksgiving be to you, Amen.

†(8:00) Hymn – #215, brown

†(10:30) Praise Songs

⁺Passing the Peace of Christ

Children's Message

Prayers of the People, Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer (debts/debtors)

(10:30) Reception of New Members

Opening Sentences and Scripture Reading

Affirmation of Faith - The Apostles' Creed (inside back cover, red hymnal) Vows of Membership

Congregational Response: As you join the membership of this congregation, we promise you our friendship and prayers as we share in the hopes and ministries of the church of Jesus Christ. By the power of the Holy Spirit may we continue to grow together in God's knowledge and love, and be witnesses of our Risen Lord. Welcome to our fellowship! "Our God Has Made Ūs One" Hymn Response – #287

(8:00) Sermon Hymn – #337

(10:30) Chancel Choir

Scripture Reading

Sermon

Sharing Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

"Amazing Grace"

"Pass Me Not"

"Think About His Love"

"Forgiveness – Forgiving Yourself"

Luke 18:9-14 (p. 1038)

[†]The Doxology and Unison Prayer of Dedication – *Merciful and Mighty God, once again* we recognize Your gifts to us, and in faith we seek to honor You with our tithes and offerings. May our own gifts be pleasing to You, and may they shower peace and joy upon people seeking You. All praise to You, Lord. Amen

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"There's a Wideness in God's Mercy" "Here I am to Worship"

"Lord, I Need You"

8:00 & 10:30AM

"How Beautiful"

Psalm 130 (p. 614)

†(8:00) Hymn – #399 (vs. 1, 2, 3) +(10:30) Praise Song **†**Spoken Benediction +Benediction in Song – #399 (vs. 4) **†**(10:30) Benediction in Song – Chorus **†**Postlude

"Since I Have Been Redeemed" "Everywhere I Go"

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The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth:

And in Jesus Christ, His only begotten Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy Christian Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting.

Amen.

Welcome . . .

Guests and Visitors

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) began 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.

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 – In a prayerful mindset, read Romans 8:10: "But if Christ is in you, your body is dead because of sin, yet your spirit is alive because of righteousness."

Christ, my Lord, I bow in humbleness before you as you sit on the throne of the Most High! By your willing sacrifice you have enabled my spirit to be alive, you have replaced the deadliness of sin with the power of your righteousness! Praise be to you, Lord, for the joy of life and the peace that fills my soul come from you. Thank you, Lord, for the assurance that you are alive! Praise be to God. Amen.

Sermon Notes

Scripture – Luke 18:9-14 Sermon Title – "Forgiveness – Forgiving Yourself"

WEEK OF February 2 AT ST. JOHN'S CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Sun		Super Bowl Sub Pick Up (After both services)
	8:00AM	Worship Service (Sanctuary)
	9:15AM	Confirmation / Sunday School/Faith Village
	10:30AM	Worship Service (Sanctuary)
	6:00PM	Seeker's (Kuntz's)
Mon	11:00AM	Staff Meeting (Office Closed)
Tues	7:15AM	YFC Bible Study - AMS
	9:15AM	Bible Study
	5:00PM	Community Meal (Hosted and served by SJCC)
	7:00PM	SYF Leader's Meeting (Young's Home)
	7:00PM	Christian Preschool Board (Fireside Room)
Wed	8:30AM	Mom's in Prayer (Upstairs Classroom)
	5:50PM	LOGOS/JYF
	7:00PM	SYF
Thurs	7:00PM	Mission Committee (Fireside Room)
Sat	6:30AM	Back Bay Mission Trip Departure
	7:40AM	Men's Prayer Breakfast
Sun	8:00AM	Worship Service (Sanctuary)
	9:15AM	Confirmation / Sunday School / Faith Village
	9:15AM	DR Trip Meeting (Fellowship Hall)
	10:30AM	Worship Service (Sanctuary)
	12:00PM	Valentine's Potluck

Next Sunday – February 9, 2020

Sermon – "Forgiveness - Forgiving Others" by Pastor Alex Young Scripture – Genesis 50:15-21

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:

February 3 - Fruits and Foundations	Luke 6:43-49
February 4 - A Journey of Faith	
February 5 - Crowds United	Luke 7:11-17
February 6 - More Than	
February 7 - An Uninvited Guest	
February 8 - Perseverance Pays	
February 9 - Pursuing Hope	

Sub Sales

Don't forget to pick up your Super Bowl Subs today in the Parish Hall after the 8am worship, Sunday School, or the 10:30am worship, depending on when you signed up. Thank you to those who placed orders and helped support our SYF!



The Fellowship Committee will be hosting a potluck on Sunday, February 9th after the late service. The committee will be providing a meat entrée, drinks and tableware. We invite you to join us for good food and fellowship and to bring a dish that you "love" to share.

February Mission-A-Month FISH Food Pantry

It is the goal of the Archbold Fish Pantry to assist low-income families on a short-term basis, particularly those in a crisis situation, and to share God's love and care. The Archbold Fish Pantry serves approximately 100 households each month. All of those households have an Archbold mailing address, live in the Archbold school district, or attend a church which supports the Archbold Fish Pantry. Each month nearly 4,000 food items are distributed and approximately \$700 is used to help families with rent, utility payments, or prescriptions. The Archbold Fish Pantry is completely reliant on the donations from generous people in our community. Thank you for your support in offering help and hope to those in need.

Below is a current list of needed items, but all items are welcome.

FOOD	PERSONAL ITEMS
•Canned potatoes, diced tomatoes, tomato sauce	•Toilet paper
•Canned pineapple, mandarin oranges*	•Paper towel
•1 lb bags of white rice*	 Multi-purpose cleaner*
•Kids' cereal	•Toilet cleaner
•Soups (not tomato or chicken noodle)	•Dish soap*
•Sugar	•2 in 1 Shampoo*
•Pop tarts	•Deodorant*
•Pancake mix and syrup	•Diapers(size 4,5,6)
•Cake mix and frosting	•Toothpaste

Donated items can be placed in the white mission box in the chapel narthex. You can also give monetary donations through your weekly offering envelopes or in the church office weekdays from 8AM–5PM. Monetary donations allow the pantry to purchase needed items in bulk.

IYF Building Campaign Total Receipts as of January 27, 2020 - \$768,848.36

NEW MEMBERS RECEIVED INTO OUR FELLOWSHIP

Brandon & Amy Cover live at 324 Primrose Lane and are the parents of Grant (7), Griffin (5) and Dawson & Dax (13 months). Brandon works at the Menard's Distribution Center in Holiday City and Amy works at F&M Bank. Brandon & Amy have served as Sunday school teachers and leaders at previous churches, and Amy has served on various committees while Brandon helped with landscaping and building matters. They enjoy spending time with family and friends!

Travis Gruenhagen is married to Mindy and they live at 26669 County Road EF. The couple has two children, Maddux (4 ½) and Karlie (2 ½). Travis is a project manager at Schnipke Precision Molding in Ottoville. Travis was baptized and confirmed at St. John Lutheran Church, Freedom Township, where he was active in youth sports. He enjoys playing church league basketball and softball, and spending time with his family at the lake (Coldwater) and playing outside with Maddux and Karlie.

Sodie Warren lives at 202 N. Lincoln Street and is married to Tracey, and has three children: Josiah (graduating this May and joining the Air Force), and Lydia and Hannah who are both in 8th grade. Sodie is self-employed in home and office cleaning. She enjoys singing, writing, reading and photography. At previous churches, Sodie has been a youth leader and been involved in praise & worship and directing a children's choir.

Roger & Mary Zimmerman live at 116 S. Defiance Street, in the home where Roger grew up and which they recently extensively renovated. Having worked in the Cleveland area, they are now both retired. Roger worked in surveying and Mary is a CPA. Roger sings in the chancel choir and Mary is our church treasurer, and they enjoy being in the B.A.S.I.C. Sunday school class. They both enjoy racing and college sports. Roger enjoys daily exercise, bowling, reading and studying the Bible, yard work and singing. Mary is a business person, likes to read, and enjoys reading and studying the Bible. At previous churches, Roger sang in the choir, shared in special music, was a worship lay reader and served on church council, and Mary served on the audit committee.

Pastor Erich will soon be offering orientation sessions for people interested in learning more about St. John's Christian Church, as well as becoming a member of the congregation. Three group sessions are held, either on Sunday mornings or Wednesday evenings, and a fourth home visit finishes the orientation sessions. Please let Erich know if you would be interested in participating – cell/text – 419-551-0401 or email at pastorerich@ stjohnsarchbold.org.

Prayer Joys, Concerns, Requests - Please Pray For:

- •The family of Mike Henry upon Mike's entering into eternal life on January 27th at the age of 70. Pray for his wife, Sue, and their children, Jenny, Beth and Scott and their families.
- •Dale VonDeylen has been referred for further treatment as a significant mass is on one of his kidneys, with test results indicating he has stage two cancer.
- •Jamie Beck continues to recover from recent (January 15) fusion surgery in her lower back.
- •Velma Overmier is a resident of Fulton Manor, room 505-1.
- •Verlene Lovejoy is recovering from a January 15th hip surgery following a fall.
- •Marvin Fish spent several days at Bryan Hospital and is now home and on oxygen.
- •Sandy Miller is in the midst of chemo treatments.
- •Audrey Smith is now a resident at Genacross (Alpine Village) in Napoleon 1036 S. Perry Street, 43545.
- •Bettie Perry remains in hospice care at her apartment near Cincinnati.
- •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, to be stationed in Okinawa, Japan (Marines) (Son of Shannon & Yesi).
- •Joshua Richardson, stationed at MCBH, Kaneohe, Hawaii (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).

Today's Worship Servants

Acolytes	(8:00) Cahle Roth	(10:30) Jack Hurst
Ushers	(Head) Jay Pursel	
	(10:30) Eric & Sarah Nafziger, Pu	rsel Family
	(8:00) Tim Beck, Mark Beltz	7
Nursery Staff	(10:30) Travis & Mindy Gruenha	gen (February 9) Bo & Bri Krukowski
Sound Tech	(8:00) Angie Neuenschwander	
Video Tech	(10:30) Dean Sauder	
Worship Leader	(Both) Jan Lindsay	
Song Leader	(Both) Andrew Rohrs	
Computer Tech	(Both) Brian Roth	
Accompanist	(Both) Buffy Riley	
Praise Band (10:30) Chris Baden, Lynne Christman, Norm Fether, Emma N		
	Sarah Nafziger, Todd Na	fziger, Buffy Riley

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