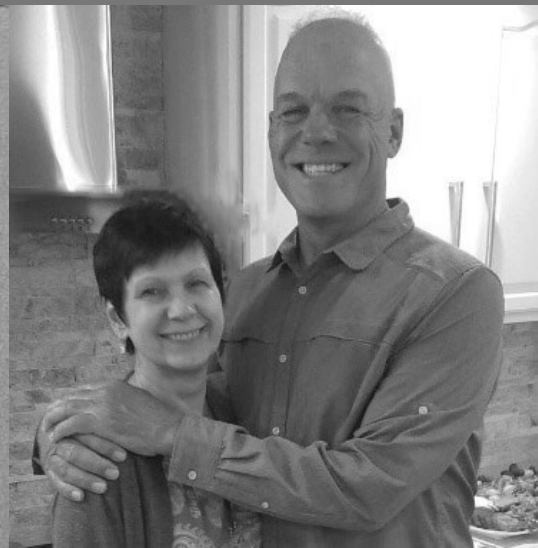
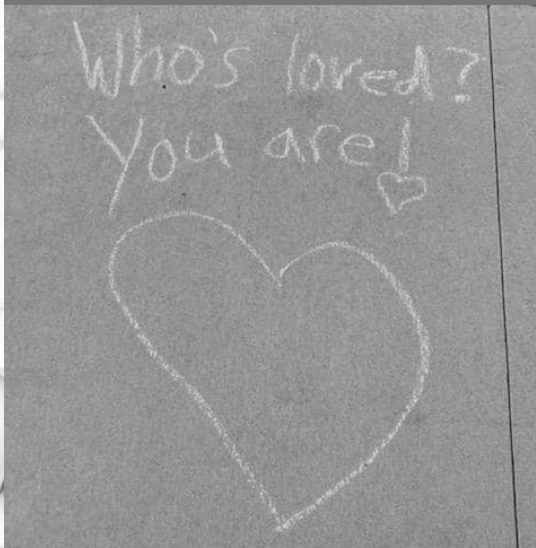




Welcome to St. John's Christian Church

"The Church on the Corner Whose Cornerstone is Christ"

Come **H**ear the **R**eason we're **I**nspired to **S**erve **T**ogether



**Chalk art by JYF ahead of their scavenger hunt in October 2020 (left);
Keith and Kelli Kuntz, who celebrate their 40th anniversary today! (right)*

*We are a community of faith founded upon God's Holy Word,
preaching salvation through believing in Christ as our 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!
Transfiguration Sunday**

Ringin of the Tower Bells

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

"Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies"

Scripture and Prayer of Invocation

Psalm 50:1-6

†Call to Worship

L: As God called to Moses from the mountain,

P: we are called to be God's people.

L: As Jesus called the disciples to climb with him to the peak of another mountain,

P: we are called to follow where he leads.

L: As the disciples stood in awe at the sound of God's voice,

P: we are called to worship in wonder and praise.

†Hymn

#25, "Immortal, Invisible"

†Unison Prayer: **Transforming God, you have given us a vision of your glory in the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. We bring to you our own lives to be transformed by you through your redeeming presence in the midst of this community of faith. Lead us, Lord, in your righteousness; make your way plain before our faces; for it is you, alone, O God, who make us to dwell in safety. We offer these and all our prayers in Christ's name. Amen.**

†The Gloria Patri

Children's Message

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

Special Music

Adam Swisher and Jocelyn Walker

"The Blessing"

Scripture Reading

Mark 9:2-9, 2 Corinthians 4:3-6

Sermon

"Listening, Attentively"

†Hymn

"Shine, Jesus Shine"

†Spoken Benediction

†Benediction in Song

#601, "Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing"

†Postlude

Scripture Readings

Psalm 50:1-6

The Mighty One, God, the Lord, speaks and summons the earth from the rising of the sun to the place where it sets. ² From Zion, perfect in beauty, God shines forth. ³ Our God comes and will not be silent; a fire devours before him, and around him a tempest rages. ⁴ He summons the heavens above, and the earth, that he may judge his people: ⁵ "Gather to me my consecrated ones, who made a covenant with me by sacrifice." ⁶ And the heavens proclaim his righteousness, for God himself is judge.

Mark 9:2-9

After six days Jesus took Peter, James and John with him and led them up a high mountain, where they were all alone. There he was transfigured before them. ³ His clothes became dazzling white, whiter than anyone in the world could bleach them. ⁴ And there appeared before them Elijah and Moses, who were talking with Jesus. ⁵ Peter said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good for us to be here. Let us put up three shelters-- one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah." ⁶ (He did not know what to say, they were so frightened). ⁷ Then a cloud appeared and enveloped them, and a voice came from the cloud: "This is my Son, whom I love. Listen to him!" ⁸ Suddenly, when they looked around, they no longer saw anyone with them except Jesus. ⁹ As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus gave them orders not to tell anyone what they had seen until the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

2 Corinthians 4:3-6

And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. ⁴ The god of this age has blinded the minds of unbelievers, so that they cannot see the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. ⁵ For we do not preach ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, and ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake. ⁶ For God, who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," made his light shine in our hearts to give us the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Christ.

Next Sunday, February 21, 2021

First Sunday of Lent

Scriptures – Psalm 25:1-10, Mark 1:9-15; 1 Peter 3:18-22

Sermon – “Standing Against Temptation”

Sermon Notes

Sermon "Listening, Attentively"

Scripture Mark 9:2-9; 2 Corinthians 4:3-6 (Revised Common Lectionary Reading)

Love – How do we know what love is?

"This is how we know what love is: Jesus Christ laid down his life for us. And we ought to lay down our lives for our brothers." 1 John 3:16

Mark 4 – The Transfiguration

- A. After six days
- B. Jesus, Peter, James and John
- C. Led them up a high mountain
- D. Transfigured – clothes became dazzling white
- E. Elijah and Moses
- F. Peter – "Let us put up three shelters" (...they were so frightened.)
- G. "This is my Son, whom I love. Listen to him."
- H. Coming down the mountain
- I. "...not to tell anyone what they had seen until..."

2 Corinthians 4 – Jesus Christ as Lord

- A. "...even if our gospel is veiled..."
- B. "The god of this age has blinded the minds of unbelievers..."
- C. "...cannot see the light of the gospel of the glory of Jesus Christ, who is the image of God."
- D. "...light shine in our hearts to give us the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Christ."

Teaching Points:

- A. Transfiguration Sunday – in preparation for the lengthy season of Lent
- B. God is with us, and we are to proclaim this good news
- C. Action required – moving beyond the mountain top

February Mission-A-Month: Archbold FISH Food Pantry

St. John's will collect food and personal care items as well as monetary donations in support of the Archbold FISH Food pantry throughout the month of February. Items currently in greater need at the pantry include mandarin oranges, canola oil, sugar, multi-purpose cleaner, dish soap, 2-in-1 shampoo, and deodorant.



Food and personal care items can be dropped off to the large white box outside of the Chapel and monetary donations can be made using your weekly offering envelopes or by going to stjohnschristianchurch.breezechms.com/give/online.

Announcements:

- ◆ **Wednesday Evening Lenten Worship Services – 7:00pm:** On Wednesday evenings from February 24th through March 24th, while Logos, JYF, SYF, Life Planning and Men's Ministry are being held, Lenten worship services will take place in the Sanctuary and on YouTube Live. These services will consist of prayer, singing and an interactive teaching lesson. We'll be considering the biblical characters of Pilate, Simon Peter, Caiaphas, Simon of Cyrene and the Penitent Thief of the Cross.
- ◆ Easter Flower orders can be placed until Sunday, March 7th. Selections include the usual variety of lilies, tulips, hyacinths, daffodils, and mums at \$10 each (\$10.50 if paying online through Breeze). A hard copy order form is located on the bulletin board outside of the church office and an online order form can be found by going to www.stjohnsarchbold.org/congregation.

Discovery Daily Devotional Guides

Discover Daily Devotional Guides are available in the hallway literature rack in the narthex (suggested donation \$6 each). You can also access the guide online at <https://scriptureunion.org/discovery/>. Below is the list of daily readings for this week:

February 14 – A Question of Perspective.....	Psalm 90
February 15 – Gathering Storm.....	Mark 6:14-29
February 16 – Your Part in a Miracle.....	Mark 6:30-44
February 17 – Increasing Our Trust.....	Mark 6:45-56
February 18 – Ritual or Relationship.....	Mark 7:1-13
February 19 – Heart Religion.....	Mark 7:14-23
February 20 – Children, Crumbs and Dogs.....	Mark 7:24-30

Welcome!

Guests and Visitors

Welcome to SJCC! We are so glad you have chosen to join us as we worship the Lord together. We hope you feel God's love in a new, refreshing way. You can learn more about our church by visiting the "New to SJCC" page on our website at www.stjohnsarchbold.org/newtosjcc or by picking up a copy of "Getting to Know St. John's Christian Church: Visitor Brochure" at the literature rack near the office.

Mother's Room/Diaper Changing Station/Nursery Care

We have a Mother's Room located near our sanctuary, currently limited to one family at a time. Nursery care for infants and pre-kindergarten children is currently suspended. A diaper changing station is located in the Mother's Room. We kindly ask you to sanitize items after use (i.e. changing pad, toys, etc.) using the wipes provided as a respectful gesture to other families with small children in need of the room.

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.

Week of February 14 at St. John's Christian Church

Sun	8:00AM	Worship (Sanctuary)
	8:30AM	Pause for Praise (96.1 WMTR)
	9:15AM	B.A.S.I.C./Forerunners, Women's Class
	10:30AM	Worship (Sanctuary and YouTube Live)
Mon	6:00PM	Seekers (Fireside Room)
	11:00AM	Staff Meeting (Office Closed)
	6:15PM	Spiritual Council (Gym)
Tue	7:30PM	Consistory (Gym)
	9:15AM	Bible Study (Fireside Room)
Wed	8:30AM	Moms in Prayer (Fireside Room)
	7:00PM	Ash Wednesday Service (Sanctuary and YouTube Live)
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Congregational Prayer

Thank you, God, for shining your light in our hearts through Jesus Christ. Lord, you certainly know that we live in a time of unsatisfied hunger, as people hunger for relief, for answers, for connection and for fellowship. Regrettably, such unmet hunger has led to anger and hostility. Thank you, Father, for lifting the veil so that we can know Jesus, for he offers healing, mercy, forgiveness, compassion, hope and peace. Continue to prepare us and strengthen us for the ministry of the gospel, for these blessings are not just for us. May your strength and hope abide in us as we love and serve you. Amen.

Today's Worship Servants

Accompanist	(Both) Lynne Christman	
Song Leader	(Both) Mike Meyer	
Easy Worship	(Both) Mark Nofziger	
Sound Tech	(8:00) Kelly Ducey	(10:30) James Grime
Live Stream Tech	(10:30) Ryan Christman	
8:00AM Usher	Linda Heer	
Head Usher	Dave Walker	

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Prayer Joys, Concerns, Requests:

Please pray for...

- ◆ The Wooley family, as Bruce, Carrie, Caleb, and Hailey have been experiencing illness due to COVID-19.
- ◆ Tracey and Sodie Warren, as Tracey is undergoing scans and tests tomorrow (2/15) to determine a treatment plan for prostate cancer.
- ◆ Kenny Walker IV and his family. Kenny and his mother, Amanda, have moved to an apartment near the hospital for the next segment of his recovery and rehab, with daily check-ins with the medical team.

Those serving in the Armed Forces...

- ◆ Brenden Bostelman, Fort Campbell, KY (Army) Grandson of Bill & Kathy)
- ◆ Kali Collins, Washington, DC (Air Force) (Granddaughter of Nan Neill)
- ◆ Kohl Collins, Ft. Myers, VA (Army) (Grandson of Nan Neill)
- ◆ Kyle Ducey, Being Deployed (Navy) (Son of Kelly & Betsy)
- ◆ Brayden Hall, Ft. Leonard Wood, MO (Ohio Army Nat. Guard) (Son of Vond & Mary)
- ◆ Jared Kuntz, Washington, DC (Army) (Son of Keith & Kelli)
- ◆ Eric Maag, Port Clinton, OH (Coast Guard) (Son of Joe & Sheryl Short)
- ◆ Shayne & Taylor Pitts, Albuquerque, NM (Air Force) (Granddaughter of Nan Neill)
- ◆ David Richardson, Okinawa, Japan (Marines) (Son of Shannon and Yesi)
- ◆ Joshua Richardson, Kaneohe, HI (Marines) (Son of Shannon and Yesi)
- ◆ Steve Schink, Chesterfield, MI (Coast Guard) (Son-in-law of Ed and Julie Ruffer)



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