

# Welcome to St. John's St. John's Christian Church

"The Church on the Corner Whose Cornerstone is Christ"



Pictured above: LOGOS Junior Choir, who will be sharing their voices with us this morning by singing "I'm Steppin' Out On Faith."

# Welcome! We are so glad you are here.

#### **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 scanning the QR code, 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 one of the literature racks.

## Mother's Room/Diaper Changing Stations/Nursery Care

We have a Mother's Room located outside of the sanctuary for nursing mothers and/or mothers with young children. Nursery care is offered during the 10:30 a.m. worship service for infants and pre-kindergarten children. Diaper changing stations are located in both the Mother's Room and Nursery. Please ask an usher for locations if needed.

**Children's Busy Bags** are located in the sanctuary narthex for children ages one-year to third grade. Bags are marked by age (**Pink** = Ages 1-2; **Green** = Ages 3-5; **Yellow** = Grades K-3). Please be sure to return bags at the end of our service today. If you would like to mark a bag specifically for your child(ren) each week, please contact the church office.

#### Give & Take Board

Do you need a little peace in your day? Confidence? What about self-control? Are you in need of a spiritual pick-me-up? Could you use a quick bit of kindness after a long week? Or do you have these things to spare? Then stop by the Give and Take Board outside of the Preschool Room! Give what you can and take what you need - you just might feel or fill someone's heart with the love of God and make their week brighter!

**Large Print and Children's Bulletins** are available at a table in the sanctuary narthex.

**Hearing Assistance** is provided by our system for hearing aids with a "loop system" switch position.







Find us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/stjohnschurcharchbold, Instagram at @stjohnsarchbold and YouTube ("St. John's Christian Church").

#### Welcome to our Worship of God

Welcome and Announcements

Scripture and Prayer of Invocation

Psalm 3:1-4 (pg. 532)

Prelude

†(8:00) Hymn of Praise

#26, "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

†(10:30) Song of Praise

"Build Your Kingdom Here"

†A Lord's Prayer Litany (Matthew 6:9-13, Luke 11:2-4)

Adapted from work of Katherine Hawker

- L: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
- P: Mystery beyond our knowing, close to us as our breathing, in humble awe we pray
- L: Thy Kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven
- P: We pray for your vision of justice and mercy to be made real in our world even now.
- L: Give us this day our daily bread.
- P: We pray for your vision of enough; enough sustenance, enough warmth, enough healing for all of your children.
- L: And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
- P: We pray for the grace to let go of that which is death dealing as we embrace your vision for life, that we might follow you safely through life's obstacle course.
- L: For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever.
- P: Giving thanks for your presence that defies definition in this life and beyond. Amen.

The Gideons International - Fulton County Camp

#623 Jon Rupp

Children's Message

†The Gloria Patri

Junior Choir

"I'm Steppin' Out On Faith"

Scripture Reading

Mark 11:20-26 (pg. 1004), Luke 22:31-32 (pg. 1044)

Sharing our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

Sermon

†The Doxology (#625) and Prayer of Dedication

†Closing Hymn

#42, "Seek Ye First"

†Spoken Benediction

†Benediction in Song

#384, "To Be Like Jesus"

"Maintain, Remain & Guard"

†Postlude

#### **Scripture Readings**

**Psalm 3:1-4** When he fled from his son Absalom. O Lord, how many are my foes! How many rise up against me! <sup>2</sup> Many are saying of me, "God will not deliver him." <sup>3</sup> But you are a shield around me, O Lord; you bestow glory on me and lift up my head. <sup>4</sup> To the Lord I cry aloud, and he answers me from his holy hill.

Mark 11:20-26 In the morning, as they went along, they saw the fig tree withered from the roots. <sup>21</sup> Peter remembered and said to Jesus, "Rabbi, look! The fig tree you cursed has withered!" <sup>22</sup> "Have faith in God," Jesus answered. <sup>23</sup> "I tell you the truth, if anyone says to this mountain, 'Go, throw yourself into the sea,' and does not doubt in his heart but believes that what he says will happen, it will be done for him. <sup>24</sup> Therefore I tell you, whatever you ask for in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours. <sup>25</sup> And when you stand praying, if you hold anything against anyone, forgive him, so that your Father in heaven may forgive you your sins." <sup>26</sup>

**Luke 22:31-32** "Simon, Simon, Satan has asked to sift you as wheat. <sup>32</sup> But I have prayed for you, Simon, that your faith may not fail. And when you have turned back, strengthen your brothers."

#### **Sermon Notes**

Sermon - "Maintain, Remain & Guard" Scripture Reading - Mark 11:20-26, Luke 22:31-32

#### **Announcements**

- Card Shower for Mary Silcox Tomorrow, October 18th, Mary Silcox will be moving to an assisted living complex in Sunbury, Ohio. Mary will be living near one of her daughters, Julie, and many of her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Mary has been a life-long member of St. John's, being both baptized and confirmed in this church congregation. While it's a blessing for her to be near several family members, she knows she will miss living in Archbold. Unbeknownst to Mary and her family, let's help encourage her by showering her with cards as she settles into her new apartment. Her address is The Inn at Walnut Trail, Suite 107, 100 North Miller Dr., Sunbury, Oh 43074.
- Leaf Raking We will be offering to rake leaves for our neighbors on October 24th and October 31st at 2:00 p.m. Please sign up on the Volunteer section of the office bulletin board. Rakes, leaf blowers, trailers, and tarps are needed!
- Facility Info Gatherings In preparation for the special congregational meeting on November 14th, two Facility Committee info gatherings are scheduled for Sunday, October 31st at 11:45am and Thursday, November 4th at 7:00pm.
- **Shalom Hog Roast** Shalom Ministries is hosting their annual fall fundraiser today from 11:30am 1:00pm at the Archbold Elementary School with a curbside hog roast lunch. Freewill donations will be accepted.
- Pettisville Man Cave Ministries Pettisville Man Cave presents MAN UP-Men's Conference, a one day event of food and fellowship for men. On November 6, 2021 we welcome former World Champion Wrestler Nikita Koloff back for this event. He will be speaking on how to restore Biblical manhood and what it means to be a God loving man of faith. This event is open to all men (and sons ages 10 and up). Tickets are \$20 and include lunch and can be purchased at Eventbrite.com. All proceeds from the ticket sales will go to benefit Koloff for Christ Ministries.

## October Mission-A-Month: Operation Christmas Child

Throughout the month of October, St. John's will once again collect for Operation Christmas Child with Samaritan's Purse. We welcome your generosity in items to supply for the boxes, such as small toys (cars, balls, dolls, kazoos, harmonicas, jump ropes, etc.), toiletries, school supplies, small Bibles, t-shirts, socks, or ballcaps, to name a few; or in financial contributions which will be used to purchase supplies for the boxes. Boxes will be packed by a team of volunteers here at St. Jonn's. If you would like to pack your own box, please contact the church office so that we may supply you with a box. Items should be dropped off in the Chapel Narthex on or before October 24th. We thank you for your kind generosity as we support this important mission!

Sun	8:00AM	Worship (Sanctuary)
	8:30AM	Pause for Praise (96.1 WMTR)
	9:15AM	Sunday School, Faith Village, Confirmation
	10:30AM	Worship (Sanctuary and YouTube Live)
	6:00PM	Seekers (Kuntz's Home)
Mon	11:00AM	Staff Meeting (Office Closed)
	6:15PM	Spiritual Council (Fireside)
	7:30PM	Consistory (Chapel)
Tue	9:15AM	Bible Study (Fireside Room)
	5:00PM	Community Meal (Parish Hall)
	5:00PM	GIF Gals (Depart for Jackie Blu's, Bryan)
Wed	8:30AM	Moms in Prayer (Fireside Room)
	6:00PM	LOGOS/JYF (Parish Hall)
	6:45PM	JYF (Fireside Room)

SYF (Youth Room)

Worship (Sanctuary)

Pause for Praise (96.1 WMTR)

11:30AM Senior Luncheon (Chapel) 11:30AM Gideon Tea (Parish Hall)

Sunday School, Faith Village, Confirmation 9:15AM 10:30AM Worship (Sanctuary and YouTube Live)

7:00PM

8:00AM

8:30AM

Thu

Sun

# Next Sunday - October 24th, 2021

Scripture - Psalm 1

Sermon - "Reading for Transformation"

Special Music - Klaire Kern, "All in All"

# **Congregational Prayer**

Lord of all, to thee I raise, this my prayer of grateful praise. I thank you for David's words that teach us that you are our shield, too. You surround us with grace and love, with strength and courage. And as Jesus proclaims, we know that life on this earth can be troubled and difficult. You surround us with grace and love, with strength and courage. We are left with our faith in you, O God, and I know this is sufficient for me. Thank you for your forgiveness that enables me to hold my head up, that enables me to have a clean heart, that enables me to strengthen people around me, through your power and authority. Bless this day with your peace, I pray. In Jesus' name. Amen.

#### **Daily Discovery Guide**

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:

October 17 – Pure Gold	Psalm 119:113-128
October 18 – Becoming a Father-in-Law.	Genesis 24:29-67
October 19 – Becoming the Patriarch	Genesis 25:1-11; 19-34
October 20 – Becoming Like Dad?	Genesis 26:1-25
October 21 – Becoming Frail	Genesis 27:1-40
October 22 – Children of the Promise	Genesis 27:41-28:9
October 23 – Running for His Life	Genesis 28:10-22

#### **Today's Worship Servants**

Accompanist	(Both) Buffy Riley			
Song Leader	(Both) Andrew Rohrs			
Easy Worship	(Both) Mark Nofziger			
Sound	(8:00) Kelly Ducey	(10:30) James Grime		
Live Stream Tech	(10:30) Cayla Swisher			
Acolytes	(8:00) Molly Rutledge	(10:30) Ella Yoder		
Lay Readers	(8:00) Molly Rutledge	(10:30) Aimee Roth		
Head Usher	Greg Walker			
8:00 Usher	Jim Grieser			
10:30 Ushers	Matt & Kim Hines			
	Todd & Jill Nafziger			

# **Consistory Contact Information**

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#### **Prayer Joys, Concerns, Requests:**

Please pray for...

- Leah Nafziger, as she continues to recover from recent concussion affects. Pray for her full healing and for her parents, Eric & Sarah.
- Jack Spotts, who is now in rehab at Rupp Rehab following hip surgery.
- Bryce Winzeler, as he continues to receive treatment for leg nerve regeneration

Those serving in the Armed Forces...

- Brenden Bostelman, Deployed, Iraq (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, Suffolk, VA (Navy) (Son of Kelly & Betsy)
- Brayden Hall, Newton Falls, OH, attending Kent State (OANG) (Son of Vond & Mary)
- MAJ 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)



#### ST. JOHN'S CHRISTIAN CHURCH

700 S. Defiance St., Archbold, Ohio 43502 419-446-2545 † www.stjohnsarchbold.org Sunday Worship at 8:00 AM and 10:30 AM

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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.