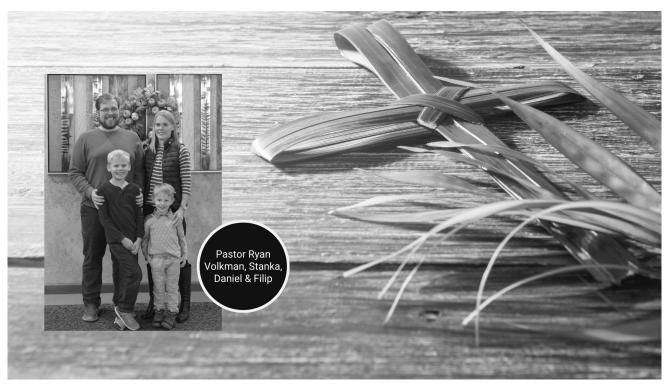


# Welcome to St. John's Christian Church

"The Church on the Corner Whose Cornerstone is Christ"



COME HEAR THE REASON WE'RE INSPIRED TO SERVE TOGETHER

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! 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. Diaper changing stations are located in both the Mother's Room and Nursery. Please ask an usher for locations if needed. We are striving to restart our 10:30am Nursery Care ministry, which has been affected by sporadic need for care and difficulty in scheduling volunteers. People interested in helping are asked to contact the church office.

**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! PALM SUNDAY

Ringing of the Tower Bells and Lighting of the Altar Candles

Welcome and Announcements

(8:00) Prelude

"Lamb of Glory"

(10:30) Call to Worship (Praise Team)

"Thank You Jesus for the Blood"

Scripture and Prayer of Invocation

Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29 (pg. 606)

†(8:00) Palm Sunday Hymns of Praise

#173, "All Glory, Laud and Honor" #174, "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"

†(10:30) Songs of Praise

"Forever"; "Glorious Day"

Children's Message

Palm Processional

- 1) "Praise Him, Praise Him, All ye little children; God is love, God is love" "Praise Him, Praise Him, All ye little children; God is love, God is love"
- 2) "Love Him..."
- 3) "Serve Him..."
- 4) "Thank Him..."

Ministry of Prayer

Unison Prayer of Confession - Lord Jesus, we are filled with gratitude toward You. Your great love made You lay down your life for our salvation. We are forever indebted to you. As we celebrate Palm Sunday, we declare You as our King, our friend, and our savior. You are mighty to save. Hosanna in the Highest! We pray that You guide and lead us as our King. Let Your love fill our souls and give us peace as we hear Your Gospel. Amen.

Hymn of Assurance

#210, v. 3 & 4, "Jesus Paid It All"

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

†(8:00) Sermon Hymn

#228, v. 1 & 2, "Rejoice, the Lord is King"

(10:30) Vocal Ensemble

"Blessed Is He Who Comes"

Scripture Reading

Mark 11:1-11 (pg. 1003)

Sharing Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

Sermon

"Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"

†The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

†Closing Hymn

#234, "Crown Him with Many Crowns"

**†Spoken Benediction** 

†(8:00) Benediction in Song

"Sanctuary"

"King Jesus"

†(10:30) Benediction

"The Blessing"

#### **SCRIPTURE READINGS**

Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29 Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures forever. <sup>2</sup> Let Israel say: "His love endures forever." <sup>19</sup> Open for me the gates of righteousness; I will enter and give thanks to the Lord. <sup>20</sup> This is the gate of the Lord through which the righteous may enter. <sup>21</sup> I will give you thanks, for you answered me; you have become my salvation. <sup>22</sup> The stone the builders rejected has become the capstone; <sup>23</sup> the Lord has done this, and it is marvelous in our eyes. <sup>24</sup> This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it. <sup>25</sup> O Lord, save us; O Lord, grant us success. <sup>26</sup> Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. From the house of the Lord we bless you. <sup>27</sup> The Lord is God, and he has made his light shine upon us. With boughs in hand, join in the festal procession up to the horns of the altar. <sup>28</sup> You are my God, and I will give you thanks; you are my God, and I will exalt you. <sup>29</sup> Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures forever.

Mark 11:1-11 As they approached Jerusalem and came to Bethphage and Bethany at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two of his disciples, <sup>2</sup> saying to them, "Go to the village ahead of you, and just as you enter it, you will find a colt tied there, which no one has ever ridden. Untie it and bring it here. <sup>3</sup> If anyone asks you, 'Why are you doing this?' tell him, 'The Lord needs it and will send it back here shortly." <sup>4</sup> They went and found a colt outside in the street, tied at a doorway. As they untied it, <sup>5</sup> some people standing there asked, "What are you doing, untying that colt?" <sup>6</sup> They answered as Jesus had told them to, and the people let them go. <sup>7</sup> When they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks over it, he sat on it. <sup>8</sup> Many people spread their cloaks on the road, while others spread branches they had cut in the fields. <sup>9</sup> Those who went ahead and those who followed shouted, "Hosanna!" "Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!" <sup>10</sup> "Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David!" "Hosanna in the highest!" <sup>11</sup> Jesus entered Jerusalem and went to the temple. He looked around at everything, but since it was already late, he went out to Bethany with the Twelve.

# **CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER**

Dear God, in this time of prayer I offer my gratitude to you for giving us Jesus, who intercedes on our behalf. Through my Lord's saving grace, I recognize my shortfalls of faith and I pray for greater knowledge and wisdom. Tune my heart to ring with truth through the power of your Word. I pray for my church family, that we will love with compassion and welcome people's faith questions. May I, may we, be beacons of your light and love. In Christ, I pray. Amen.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Summer Mission Trip Plans have been set for another week of serving with the LaPorte County Habitat for Humanity affiliate in Michigan City, IN. Volunteers will spend Monday, June 27th Friday, July 1st, working on one of their new homes. Work is to include installing exterior doors, windows and vinyl trim, and siding. Lodging, meals, and transportation are being worked out, which will impact the cost for the week. People interested in participating may sign up under the "Volunteer" section of the bulletin board.
- Help Build Hope On May 14th, SJCC is sponsoring a build event with Help Build Hope. We're hoping to have between 80 and 100 volunteers from the church and community to frame the walls for the next Habitat for Humanity of Fulton County, Ohio home build. The morning will start at 7:30am with a light continental breakfast, then there will be time of welcome, worship, devotions, instruction and two and half hours of hammering! Hopefully, by noon, the event will conclude with standing up all of the walls, a short service of dedication, then carrying the walls into the storage building. To sign up, use this link: http://www.helpbuildhope.com/stjohncc!
- **GIF Gals** Ladies interested in going to the Delta 109 Tavern & Eatery on Wednesday, April 20th (leaving the church lot at 5:00PM) can sign up on the bulletin board through the end of the day today.
- Senior Citizen Luncheon Sponsored by Archbold High School Archbold High School is proud to announce the 10th Annual Senior Citizen Luncheon on Friday, April 29th at 11:00AM in the Archbold High School Gymnasium. This event is free and open to any senior citizen living in the Archbold Area Local School District. A sign-up sheet is posted under the "Community Events" section of the office bulletin boards. If you're interested in attending, please sign-up by Easter Sunday, April 17th, and Jocelyn will contact the school on April 18th to secure the group's reservation.
- "God Winks" Writers/Story Tellers Needed! Inspired by Pastor Erich's sermon on March 13th, we are putting together a devotional booklet of God Winks or situations where, in hindsight, we realize God was in control the entire time. We are looking for individuals who would be willing to write or share their God Wink moments for this booklet. While there's no suggested length to tell your story, we recommend staying under 800 words. The hope is that we will have it printed professionally so that these stories aren't lost in memory, but shared with others for many years of hope and inspiration. Those interested in contributing to the booklet should contact Carol DeVries (419-445-8311) or Jocelyn Walker in the church office. If you'd like to share a story but do not enjoy writing, please let one of us know.

### HOLY WEEK AT ST. JOHN'S CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Sun	8:00AM	Palm Sunday Worship (Sanctuary)		
	8:30AM			
	9:00AM	Special Congregational Meeting called to order (Sanctuary)		
	9:15AM			
	9:15AM	Education Hour Meet & Greet with Pastor Ryan (Parish Hall)		
	10:30AM	Palm Sunday Worship (Sanctuary and YouTube Live)		
	11:40AM	Special Congregational Meeting reopened (Sanctuary and Zoom)		
	12:00PM	Search Committee (Parish Hall)		
Mon	6:00PM	Building Committee (Fireside Room)		
Tue	9:15AM	Bible Study (Fireside Room)		
	5:00PM	Community Meal - St. Martin's Lutheran Church (Parish Hall)		
	7:00PM	Property Committee (Fireside Room)		
Wed	8:30AM	Moms in Prayer (Fireside Room)		
	5:50PM	LOGOS Meal (Parish Hall)		
	6:00PM	2nd Year Confirmation (Office)		
	6:45PM	LOGOS/JYF		
	7:00PM	Life Planning (Chapel)		
	8:00AM	Vocal Ensemble Rehearsal (Sanctuary)		
Thu	7:00PM	Maundy Thursday Worship (Sanctuary and YouTube Live)		
Fri	7:00PM	Good Friday Service (Sanctuary and YouTube Live)		
Sun	7:00AM	Sunrise Service of Worship (Sanctuary)		
	8:00AM	Easter Breakfast (Parish Hall)		
	8:45AM	Easter Egg Hunt (Church Grounds)		
	9:15AM	Sunday School, Faith Village, Confirmation		
	10:30AM	Easter Service of Worship (Sanctuary and YouTube Live)		

### **APRIL MISSION-A-MONTH: GROWING HOPE GLOBALLY**

Growing Hope Globally (GHG) was created to alleviate world hunger by globally connecting local communities through agriculture. The 2021 Soybean Project in which St. John's participated allowed GHG to send \$12,869.57 from the year's successful growing season. 324 people were helped in finding lasting solutions to hunger. Donations given to Growing Hope Globally will provide for the ongoing blessing of the local project. Financial donations can be made through your weekly offering envelopes, or by selecting "Growing Hope Globally" as your designated fund in Breeze's online giving feature at stjohnsarchbold.org/online-giving/.

#### **DISCOVERY DAILY DEVOTIONAL**

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:

April 10 Depending on God Alone ------ Psalm 142
April 11 Chaos Reigns?----- John 18:1-14
April 12 Speaking Openly ----- John 18:15-27
April 13 Speaking Truth ----- John 18:28-40
April 14 Rejected ----- John 19:1-16
April 15 New Family ----- John 19:16-27
April 16 Dead and Buried ----- John 19:28-42

(Both) Lynne Christman

## **TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVANTS**

Accompanist

riccompanist	(both) Lythic Christian		
Worship Leaders	(Both) Erich Christman & Ryan Volkman		
Song Leader	(Both) Ryan Volkman		
Acolytes	(8:00) Molly Rutledge	(10:30) Evy Roth	
Easy Worship	(8:00) Mark Nofziger	(10:30) Kelly Ducey	
Sound Tech	(8:00) Kelly Ducey	(10:30) James Grime	
Live Stream	(10:30) Cayla Swisher		
8:00 Usher	Shawn Stuckey		
Head Usher	Eric Nafziger		
10:30 Ushers	Leah Nafziger, Corey & Allie Walker, Bruce & Carrie Wooley		
Praise Team	Ryan Volkman, Chris Baden, Lynne Christman, Norm Fether, Emma		
	Nafziger, Sarah Nafziger, Todd Nafziger, Buffy Riley		
Vocal Ensemble	Susie Enderle, Norm Fether, Keira Grandey, Jim Grieser, Sarah		
	Kinsman, Gloria Lauber, Dan Light, Gary Mann, Betsy Redd, Buffy		
	Riley, Andrew Rohrs, Linda Rutledge, Molly Rutledge, Raegan		
	Rutledge, Richard Spiess, Crissi Stuckey, David Stuckey, Jocelyn		

#### SPECIAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

We will call the Special Congregational Meeting to order immediately following our 8:00AM service of worship and will reopen following the 10:30AM service of worship. A brief break will follow the 10:30AM service in order to connect our virtual members into the meeting via Zoom.

Walker, Elaine Winzeler, Anna Yoder

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# PRAYER JOYS, CONCERNS, AND REQUESTS:

### Please pray for...

- M. N., who will leave for the mission field in India on 4/12.
- Teresa Mann, as she had out-patient knee surgery on Monday that went well.
- Jenna Stuckey, who has been diagnosed with a C. diff infection.
- Leah Nafziger, and Eric & Sarah, as she continues to have episodes.
- Paulette Spotts, as her kidneys are starting to recover, allowing her to start her cancer treatments this past week.
- Jodi Beltz, who continues to recuperate from foot and finger joint surgery.
- Tracey Warren, who is scheduled for his second heel and Achilles surgery on 4/14.

# Those serving in the Armed Forces...

- Brenden Bostelman, Oak Grove, 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, 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)
- Taylor Pitts, Albuquerque, NM (Air Force) (Granddaughter of Nan Neill)
- Shayne Pitts has been deployed to Quatar (Air Force) (Husband of Taylor)
- Steve Schink, Chesterfield, MI (Coast Guard) (Son-in-law of Ed and Julie Ruffer)



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