JULY 3, 2022 | 8:00am & 10:30am

Welcome to St. John's Christian Church

"The Church on the Corner Whose Cornerstone is Christ"



<u>Come Hear the Reason we're Inspired to Serve Together</u>

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.





WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP OF GOD! INDEPENDENCE DAY WEEKEND

Ringing of the Tower Bells and Lighting of the Altar Candles

Welcome and Announcements

†Passing of the Peace of Christ

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(8:00) Prelude (10:30) Call to Worship	Pastor Ryan & Buffy Riley	"In Your Presence" "Praise You in This Storm"
Scripture and Prayer of Invo	cation	Psalm 121 (pg. 612)
†(8:00) Responsive Reading †(8:00) Opening Hymns		Praise God in His Sanctuary" #10, "O Worship the King" re Lifted at Calvary" (insert)
†(10:30) Songs of Praise	1	the Eyes of My Heart, Lord" r God," "Everlasting Light"
Children's Message		
Pastoral Prayer and The Loro	d's Prayer (<i>debts/debtors</i>)	
†Sermon Hymn	#285, "In Chr	ist There Is No East or West"
Scripture Reading		Exodus 27:20-21 (pg. 81)
Sermon		"A Place of Encounter"
Sharing our Tithes and Offer	rings	
Offertory		"I've Been to Calvary"
†The Doxology and Prayer of	Dedication	
†(8:00) Closing Hymn †(10:30) Closing Song		#577, "Blessed the Nation" "Word of God Speak"
†Spoken Benediction		
†Benediction in Song		"Sanctuary" (insert)
†Postlude		"Lord, Reign in Me"

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Psalm 121 1 I lift up my eyes to the hills- where does my help come from? 2 My help comes from the Lord, the Maker of heaven and earth. 3 He will not let your foot slip- he who watches over you will not slumber; 4 indeed, he who watches over Israel will nei-ther slumber nor sleep. 5 The Lord watches over you- the Lord is your shade at your right hand; 6 the sun will not harm you by day, nor the moon by night. 7 The Lord will keep you from all harm - he will watch over your life; 8 the Lord will watch over your coming and going both now and forevermore.

Exodus 27:20-21 20"Command the Israelites to bring you clear oil of pressed olives for the light so that the lamps may be kept burning. 21In the Tent of Meeting, outside the curtain that is in front of the Testimony, Aaron and his sons are to keep the lamps burning before the Lord from evening till morning. This is to be a lasting ordinance among the Israelites for the generations to come.

Accompanist	(Both) Buffy Riley	
Song/Worship Leader	(Both) Roger Zimmerman	
Acolytes	(8:00) Zander Johnston	(10:30) Cagnee Grime
Easy Worship	(Both) Brian Roth	
Sound Tech	(8:00) Kelly Ducey	(10:30) James Grime
Live Stream	(10:30) Ryan Christman	
8:00 Usher	Linda Heer	
Head Usher	Greg Walker	
10:30 Ushers	Keith & Kelli Kuntz, Brad & Susie Enderle	
10:30 Praise Team	Pastor Ryan Volkman, Buffy Riley, Keira Christman, Lynne	
	Christman, Todd Nafziger	

TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVANTS

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

Dear Heavenly Father, You sent Your Son Jesus to be the light in the darkness. You sent Your Son Jesus to dwell with us – to tabernacle with us – on this earth. You sent Your Holy Spirit – Your very holy presence – to be in us, to walk with us. Lord, You are near to us. Help us to approach You with all our needs, petitions, and thanksgivings. Amen.

SERMON NOTES - "A PLACE OF ENCOUNTER"

Verses 20 and 21 follow the Lord's instructions for building the Tabernacle, the portable "tent" of worship for the Israelites during their years of wandering in the wilderness. Described as the "tent of meeting," the Tabernacle was known as a place for the people to meet with God. God was more than a deity to believe in: God was someone to meet with. When the Israelites worshipped in the Tabernacle, they were in a place of encounter. A lamp was always to be kept lit in the Tabernacle, reminding the people that God never sleeps and He never slips into darkness. God is awake, alert and approachable, always.

Christians should remember that our places of worship are places of encounter. The church building, like the Tabernacle, is a reminder of God's presence.

- Pressed olives clear oil, burned with little or no smoke
- The Testimony, the Ark of the Covenant, containing the stone tablets bearing the Ten Commandments. The Testimony would have been in the Holy of Holies, with a curtain separating the Holy of Holies from the Holy Place, and the lamps would have been in the Holy Place, where only the priests were able to enter.
- Oil kept burning symbol of the Holy Spirit "The Eternal Flame" eternal presence of the Holy Spirit
- From evening till morning
 - The imagery of Psalm 121 "will neither slumber nor sleep," and "The Lord will watch over your coming and going, both now and forevermore."
- A place of encounter

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **8:00AM Usher Needed** We are in need of an usher for our 8:00AM service of worship through the month of July, starting next Sunday, July 10th. If you are interested in serving one or more days during the month of July, please contact the church office.
- Church Office The office will be closed tomorrow, July 4th, in observance of Independence Day.
- Adult Sunday School Hour: Special Gathering Next Sunday Next Sunday, July 10th, we will welcome Tom and Megan L., missionaries SJCC has supported since 2007. Tom, Megan and their three children, Grace, Peter and David, will have dinner with members of the Mission Committee on Saturday evening. On Sunday morning, they will share in both services of worship; and during the Sunday school hour, Tom or Megan will spend time sharing with adults in the Chapel or Sanctuary, while the other assists their three children in sharing with our children.
- Pastor Erich's Upcoming Schedule Pastor Erich will be counseling at an elementary church camp (Amy is the program director) the dates of July 10th (afternoon) thru July 15th (afternoon).
- Called to Campus: August 7th Bless our college students! God is sending students of St. John's to college again over the next several months. Before they go, we invite them to join us for Sunday worship on August 7th at 8:00AM or 10:30AM where we will bless them and commission them as students, disciples, and missionaries.
- Membership Orientation Membership Orientation sessions are being scheduled for those interested in learning more about St. John's Christian Church and/or exploring what it means to be a member. Membership Orientation will consist of three group sessions and one individual session. The first three sessions will be led by Pastor Erich and will be held at the church. The fourth session will be one in which Pastor Erich will meet individually with each person, couple, or family. Tentative dates for the three group sessions are scheduled for July 20th, July 27th, and August 3rd from 6:30 to 7:30PM. Please let the church office know if you're interested in attending.
- **Kitchen Items** We have an abundance of containers and dishes in the kitchen that do not belong to the church. If you've used the kitchen recently and think you may have left items here, please take a look through the boxes on the counter to the right of the three-compartment sink. Unclaimed items will be discarded on July 15th.

SJCC SWAG SHOP - OPEN!

In Matthew 28:19, Jesus tells his disciples, "Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit." In the spirit of discipleship and fellowship, a St. John's "Swag Shop" has been created and includes a variety of men's and women's apparel and accessories for all ages with fun, ministry-minded designs (below). The St. John's Swag Shops kicks off with various discounts during the first two weeks of ordering, courtesy of the shopping platform, including 22% off all orders this Tuesday, July 5th. Additionally, all orders placed in the month of July should arrive in time for Rally Sunday on August 21st!

To place your order, visit www.stjohnsarchbold.org/shop . <u>Ordering is **not** required</u> <u>at all!</u> We're simply hoping this will be a fun avenue to share our love of Jesus Christ as one St. John's family! If you need assistance placing an order or if you don't see a style of shirt you like, please contact Jocelyn in the church office at 419-446-2545.



WEEK OF JULY 3RD AT ST. JOHN'S CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Sun	8:00AM	Worship (Sanctuary)	
	8:30AM	Pause for Praise (96.1 WMTR)	
	9:15AM	Sunday School	
	10:30AM	Worship (Sanctuary and YouTube Live)	
Mon	Independence Day - Church Office Closed		
Tue	9:15AM	Bible Study (Fireside Room)	
	5:00PM	Community Meal - SJCC (Parish Hall)	
Thu	5:00PM	Sanctuary Reserved - Pollock/Bockbrader Wedding Rehearsal	
Fri	4:30PM	Pollock/Bockbrader Wedding (Sanctuary)	
Sat	Tom & Megan L. Visiting		
	7:40AM	Men's Prayer Breakfast (Fireside Room)	
Sun	8:00AM	Worship (Sanctuary)	
	8:30AM	Pause for Praise (96.1 WMTR)	
	9:15AM	Sunday School	
		Tom & Megan L. Special Gathering	
	10:30AM	Worship (Sanctuary and YouTube Live)	

NEXT SUNDAY, JULY 10TH, 2022

Tom & Megan L. Visiting Scriptures - Exodus 3:7-10, 4:10-15 Sermon - "Never Say 'Can't'"

MISSION-A-MONTH: SHEPHERD'S CIRCLE

Shepherd's Circle is a local mission project started by Cecily Rohrs in 2004. The purpose of this program is to mentor individuals or families who are good people that have made bad choices. Through this project, assistance is given and guidance is provided to help these people get back on their feet and once again become productive citizens and good stewards of their financial resources.

You can give to Shepherd's Circle throughout the month of July by indicating "MAM" on Line 11 of your offering envelope or by selecting "Shepherd's Circle" in the "Fund" dropdown menu on Breeze's online giving feature.

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:

July 3 The Lord's Anointed Psalm 2
July 4 With Friends Like These Job 6
July 5 The Watcher Job 7
July 6 Ancient Wisdom Job 8
July 7 Courtroom Drama Job 9
July 8 Handmade Job 10
July 9 Vision and Provision Matthew 9:35 - 10:4

CONSISTORY CONTACT INFORMATION

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Sanctuary

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PRAYER JOYS, CONCERNS, AND REQUESTS:

Please pray for...

- Jill Nafziger and family, on the passing of her father, James Schmucker, on 6/26. Memorial services were held on Friday.
- Chloe Merillat and her parents, Keith and Jawn, as they have some difficult decisions to make after plans for radiation were halted.
- Rod & Joyce Kinsman, as Rod undergoes further medical testing.
- Leah Nafziger, as she continues treatment.
- Shawn Stuckey, as he recovers from injuries sustained in farm work.
- Paulette and Curt Spotts, as Paulette continues treatment for her cancer.
- Tracey & Sodie Warren, as Tracey has been able to work for about four weeks now, but will soon be off again for the second foot surgery, while still dealing with another disease. Sodie is working more hours, and her mother's health is failing.

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)
- 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, Albuquerque, NM (Air Force) (Husband of Taylor)
- Steve Schink, Chesterfield, MI (Coast Guard) (Son-in-law of Ed and Julie Ruffer)

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