

OCTOBER 16, 2022 | 8:00AM & 10:30AM



Welcome to St. John's Christian Church

"The Church on the Corner Whose Cornerstone is Christ"



Gideon Sunday

**SHARE
GOD'S WORD**

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 refreshing way. Please let one of our ushers know you're new (*they may have already noticed your new face!*) so they can give you a welcome bag filled with helpful information about our church. Or you can scan the QR code to the right with your phone's camera to learn more about who we are as a congregation.



Mother's Room/Diaper Changing Stations/Nursery Care

Nursery Care is offered during the 10:30AM service and we are always looking for new volunteers to help with this ministry! People interested in helping can contact the church office. We also have a Mother's Room located outside of the sanctuary for nursing mothers and/or mothers with young infants and toddlers. Diaper changing stations are located in both the Mother's Room and the Nursery. An usher will gladly direct you 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.



WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP OF GOD! | GIDEON SUNDAY

Lighting of the Altar Candles and Ringing of the Tower Bells

Welcome and Announcements

†Passing of the Peace of Jesus Christ

(8:00) Prelude

“Sanctuary”

(10:30) Call to Worship

“Same God”

Opening Scripture

(Genesis 2:7; Ezekiel 37:5; John 20:22; 2 Timothy 3:16)

L: The Lord God formed the man of dust from the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life,

C: *and the man became a living creature.*

L: Thus says the Lord God to these bones:

C: *Behold, I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live.*

L: And when Jesus had said this, He breathed on them and said to them,

C: *“Receive the Holy Spirit.”*

L: All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable

C: *for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness.*

Prayer of Confession and Words of Assurance

†(8:00) Opening Hymn

#259, “Breathe on Me, Breath of God”

†(10:30) Opening Song

“Faithful God”

†A Reading of Psalm 121

†(8:00) Responsive Hymn

“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling” (insert)

†(10:30) Responsive Song

“Yes I Will”

Gideon Sunday Presentation

Children’s Message

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord’s Prayer (*debts/debtors*)

†(8:00) Sermon Hymn

#211, “O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus”

†(10:30) Sermon Song

“Do It Again”

Scripture Reading

Luke 18:1-8 (pg. 1038)

Sermon

“Persistent Children Twisting the Arm of the Father”

Sharing of Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

“Holy Is the Lord”

†The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

†(8:00) Closing Hymn

v.1-2, “I Know That My Redeemer Lives” (insert)

†(10:30) Closing Song

“Great Are You Lord”

†Spoken Benediction

†(8:00) Benediction in Song

v.3, “I Know That My Redeemer Lives”

†(10:30) Benediction in Song

“How Great Is Our God” (chorus)

†Postlude

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 18:1-8 - Then Jesus told his disciples a parable to show them that they should always pray and not give up. ²He said: "In a certain town there was a judge who neither feared God nor cared about men. ³And there was a widow in that town who kept coming to him with the plea, 'Grant me justice against my adversary.' ⁴ "For some time he refused. But finally he said to himself, 'Even though I don't fear God or care about men, ⁵yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will see that she gets justice, so that she won't eventually wear me out with her coming!' " ⁶And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. ⁷And will not God bring about justice for his chosen ones, who cry out to him day and night? Will he keep putting them off? ⁸ I tell you, he will see that they get justice, and quickly. However, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on the earth?"

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

O Lord, how shall we pray? As Jacob wrestled You, our prayer might seem to be a struggle with Your will. And Your parable teaches that prayer is a long-term effort. But you also teach that prayer is more than that. You remind us that *You* start the conversation with Your Word – that Your Holy Spirit awakens and guides our faith. Within that relationship, prayer is a conversation begun by You and continued each day. And so we joyfully approach You, dear Father, as Your loved and dear children before Your throne with all our prayers and concerns. Hear us in Jesus' name. Amen.

TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVANTS

Accompanist	(Both) Buffy Riley	
Song/Worship Leader	(Both) Andrew Rohrs	
Lay Readers	(8:00) Molly Rutledge	(10:30) Aimee Roth
Acolytes	(8:00) Molly Rutledge	(10:30) Ella Yoder
Easy Worship	(Both) Kelly Ducey	
Sound Tech	(8:00) Kelly Ducey	(10:30) James Grime
Live Stream	(10:30) Ryan Christman	
8:00 Usher	Jim Grieser	
Greeters	(8:00) Scott & Pam Reeb	
Head Usher	Eric Nafziger	
10:30 Ushers	Dave & Paige Miller, Todd & Jill Nafziger	
10:30 Praise Team	Buffy Riley, Sarah Nafziger, Ryan Volkman, Todd Nafziger, Lynne Christman, Chris Baden	

WEEK OF OCTOBER 16TH AT ST. JOHN'S CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Sun	8:00AM	Worship (Sanctuary)
	8:30AM	Pause for Praise (96.1 WMTR)
	9:15AM	Faith Village/Confirmation/Sunday School
	10:30AM	Worship (Sanctuary and YouTube Live)
	11:30AM	Shalom Hog Roast (SJCC Parking Lot)
Mon	6:15PM	Spiritual Council (Fireside Room)
	7:30PM	Consistory (Chapel)
Tue	9:15AM	Bible Study (Fireside Room)
	4:00PM	Budget & Stewardship Committee (Fireside Room)
	5:00PM	Community Meal - Central Mennonite Church (Parish Hall)
Wed	8:30AM	Moms in Prayer (Fireside Room)
	5:50PM	LOGOS (Parish Hall)
	6:00PM	Church Orientation Session (Parlor)
	6:45PM	JYF (Parish Hall)/LOGOS (Classrooms)
	7:00PM	SYF (Youth Room)
Thu	11:30AM	Third Thursday Senior Luncheon (Chapel)
	5:30PM	Building Committee (Fireside Room)
	6:00PM	Girl Scouts (Chapel)
Sat	6:00PM	Fellowship Game Night! (Parish Hall)
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ◆ **Game Night** - Game night is back! Bring your favorite board or card game and a snack to share next Saturday from 6:00 - 9:00PM in the Parish Hall for a fun time!
- ◆ **Veterans Recognition Breakfast** - This year's breakfast is open to any and all from the congregation as we recognize the men and women in our congregation who have served in the military of the United States of America. Join us on November 6th at 9:00AM in the Parish Hall for breakfast and to listen to guest presenter and Marine combat veteran, Michael Mosier. Please sign up online at www.stjohnsarchbold.org or at the bulletin board so the Fellowship Committee can plan on numbers for food!
- ◆ **Shalom Hog Roast** - Shalom Counseling & Mediation Center's Annual Hog Roast is today from 11:30AM - 1:00PM in the church lot. Meal will be drive-thru pickup and they will be accepting free will donations.

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Tune: HYFRYDOL (87 87D) Text: Charles Wesley (†1788)



1. Love di - vine, all loves ex - cel - ling, Joy of heav'n to earth come down;
2. Come, Al - might - y to de - liv - er, Let us all Thy life re - ceive;
3. Fin - ish, then, Thy new cre - a - tion; Pure and spot - less let us be.



Fix in us thy hum - ble dwell - ing; All thy faith - ful mer - cies crown!
Sud - den - ly re - turn and nev - er, Nev - er more Thy tem - ples leave.
Let us see Thy great sal - va - tion Per - fect - ly re - stored in Thee;



Je - sus, Thou art all com - pas - sion, Pure un - bound - ed love Thou art,
Thee we would be al - ways bless - ing, Serve Thee as Thy hosts a - bove,
Changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry, Till in heav'n we take our place,



Vis - it us with Thy sal - va - tion; En - ter eve - ry trem - bling heart.
Pray and praise Thee with - out ceas - ing, Glo - ry in Thy per - fect love.
Till we cast our crowns be - fore Thee, Lost in won - der, love, and praise.

I Know That My Redeemer Lives

EASTER

Words: Samuel Medley, 1775. Music: 'Duke Street' John Hatton, 1793.
Setting: "The Church Hymnal, Revised and Enlarged" (Episcopal), 1905.
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$\text{♩} = 140$

The image shows a musical score for the hymn 'I Know That My Redeemer Lives'. It consists of two systems of music. Each system has a vocal line on a treble clef staff and a piano accompaniment line on a bass clef staff. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The tempo is marked as quarter note = 140. The lyrics are printed below the vocal line. The first system contains five verses of lyrics. The second system contains a chorus of lyrics. The piano accompaniment features chords and moving lines that support the vocal melody.

1. I know that my Re - deem - er lives; What com - fort this sweet sen - tence gives!
2. He lives to bless me with His love; He lives to plead for me a - bove.
3. He lives tri - um - phant from the grave, He lives e - ter - nal - ly to save.
4. He lives to grant me rich sup - ply, He lives to guide me with His eye,
5. He lives to si - lence all my fears, He lives to wipe a - way my tears

He lives, He lives, who once was dead; He lives, my ev - - er liv - ing Head.
He lives my hun - gry soul to feed, He lives to help in time of need.
He lives all glo - rious in the sky, He lives ex - alt - ed there on high.
He lives to com - fort me when faint, He lives to hear my soul's com - plaint.
He lives to calm my trou - bled heart, He lives all bless - ings to im - part.

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:

- Oct 16 Save Me from My Enemies ----- Psalm 17
- Oct 17 The Resurrection of Jesus -- 1 Corinthians 15:1-11
- Oct 18 The Dead Are Raised ----- 1 Corinthians 15:12-19
- Oct 19 Christ: The Firstfruits ----- 1 Corinthians 15:20-34
- Oct 20 Raised and Transformed --- 1 Corinthians 15:35-49
- Oct 21 Victory Over Death ----- 1 Corinthians 15:50-58
- Oct 22 I'm On My Way to See You---1 Corinthians 16:1-12

PRAYER JOYS, CONCERNS, AND REQUESTS:

Please pray for...

- Brenden Bostelman, grandson of Bill and Kathy, who was recently deployed to Jordan serving with the U.S. Army, while his wife remains in Oak Grove, Kentucky.
- Keira Christman, who is recovering from surgery to remove her gall bladder.
- Jodi Beltz, who learned she has a fracture in the tibia, just below the knee, a fracture in the heel, and three potential fractures in the three bones around the heel, all on her left leg, the same one she had ankle surgery on earlier this year.
- Bernice Rice, who remains in Hospice care at the age of 102.
- Lynne Christman, as she continues treatment for cancer.
- Rod & Joyce Kinsman, as Rod is recovering well from abdominal surgery.
- Chloe Merillat, as she had additional scans on Friday. Please pray for clear scans and for healing of the side effects from the medicine.
- Leah Nafziger, as she still has some complications from her double concussion last year.

Those serving in the Armed Forces...

- ◆ Brenden Bostelman, Deployed, Jordan (Army) (Grandson of Bill & Kathy)
- ◆ Kali Collins, Destin, FL (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, South Korea (Army) (Son of Keith & Kelli)
- ◆ Taylor Pitts, Dayton, OH (Air Force) (Granddaughter of Nan Neill)
- ◆ Shayne Pitts, Dayton, OH (Air Force) (Husband of Taylor)
- ◆ Steve Schink, Chesterfield, MI (Coast Guard) (Son-in-law of Ed and Julie Ruffer)

October Mission-A-Month



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