

OCTOBER 23, 2022 | 8:00AM & 10:30AM



Welcome to St. John's Christian Church

"The Church on the Corner Whose Cornerstone is Christ"



*God Bless our Farmers...
May your harvest be bountiful and blessed*

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!

Ringing of the Tower Bells and Lighting of the Altar Candles

Prelude

“Rejoice, The Lord Is King”

Welcome and Announcements

†Passing of the Peace of Jesus Christ

Scripture and Prayer of Invocation

Psalms 47:1-2, 5-7 (pg. 559)

†Opening Hymns

Philippians 2:9-11

#97, “All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name”

†Prayer of Confession

Revelation 3:19-21

#293, “Rise Up, O Church of God”

†Proclamation of Forgiveness

Children’s Message

†Mission Hymns

#303, “People Need the Lord”

#308, “Go”

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

Scripture Reading

Acts 1:1-11 (pg. 1077)

Sermon

“We’re to Be on a Mission”

Prayer of Dedication & Sharing Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

Second Offering - Imagine Your Faith Building Capital Campaign

†Closing Hymn

#447, “Freely, Freely”

†Spoken Benediction

†Benediction in Song

#313, “Lord, Lay Some Soul upon My Heart”

†Postlude

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 47:1-2, 5-7 - Clap your hands, all you nations; shout to God with cries of joy. ² How awesome is the Lord Most High, the great King over all the earth! ⁵ God has ascended amid shouts of joy, the Lord amid the sounding of trumpets. ⁶ Sing praises to God, sing praises; sing praises to our King, sing praises. ⁷For God is the King of all the earth; sing to him a psalm of praise.

Acts 1:1-11 - In my former book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus began to do and to teach ² until the day he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles he had chosen. ³ After his suffering, he showed himself to these men and gave many convincing proofs that he was alive. He appeared to them over a period of forty days and spoke about the kingdom of God. ⁴ On one occasion, while he was eating with them, he gave them this command: "Do not leave Jerusalem, but wait for the gift my Father promised, which you have heard me speak about. ⁵ For John baptized with water, but in a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit." ⁶ So when they met together, they asked him, "Lord, are you at this time going to restore the kingdom to Israel?" ⁷ He said to them: "It is not for you to know the times or dates the Father has set by his own authority. ⁸ But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." ⁹ After he said this, he was taken up before their very eyes, and a cloud hid him from their sight. ¹⁰They were looking intently up into the sky as he was going, when suddenly two men dressed in white stood beside them. ¹¹"Men of Galilee," they said, "why do you stand here looking into the sky? This same Jesus, who has been taken from you into heaven, will come back in the same way you have seen him go into heaven."

OCTOBER MISSION-A-MONTH: OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD



We are still collecting financial donations for this year's Operation Christmas Child, which supplies children in need across the globe with Christmas joy through toys, toiletries, and needed items like socks, hair brushes, and so much more! Financial donations will be used to cover items for the boxes as well as shipping costs for the boxes. If you feel moved to give to this important mission, please indicate "MAM" on line 11 of your offering envelope. Thank you for your generosity!

SERMON NOTES: "WE'RE TO BE ON A MISSION"

Luke, the writer, was the author of the Gospel of Luke and the Book of Acts.

The Ending of his Gospel account – Luke 24:50-53 When he had led them out to the vicinity of Bethany, he lifted up his hands and blessed them. ⁵¹ While he was blessing them, he left them and was taken up into heaven. ⁵² Then they worshiped him and returned to Jerusalem with great joy. ⁵³ And they stayed continually at the temple, praising God.

The Beginning of his History account – Acts 1:1-2 In my former book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus began to do and to teach ² until the day he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles he had chosen.

Acts 1:1-11 details the period of Jesus' resurrection days on earth

- ◆ Giving instruction through the Holy Spirit to the apostles
- ◆ Showed himself, gave many convincing proofs he was alive
- ◆ Spoke about the kingdom of God
- ◆ Commanded them to stay in Jerusalem and wait
- ◆ Spoke of Israel's restoration, the coming of the Holy Spirit, and being witnesses

Focus in on Acts 1:11 – "Why do you stand here looking in the sky?"

- ◆ Jesus had just been taken up before their very eyes
- ◆ They'd just lost sight of Jesus in the clouds
- ◆ They were looking intently up into the sky
- ◆ Suddenly, two men appeared and asked the question

Was it a moment's hesitation? Wasn't it a natural act of awe and wonder?

The question serves as a call to action

Luke 24:52 – "Then they worshipped him and returned to Jerusalem with great joy." Their joy speaks to their knowledge that they knew Jesus was with them forever.

Important note on Acts 1:11 – the promise of the Second Coming – "This same Jesus, who has been taken from you into heaven, will come back in the same way you have seen him go into heaven."

WEEK OF OCTOBER 23RD 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)
	2:00PM	JYF at Crusade
Tue	9:15AM	Bible Study (Fireside Room)
	5:00PM	Community Meal - St. Martin's Lutheran Church (Parish Hall)
Wed	8:30AM	Moms in Prayer (Fireside Room)
	5:50PM	LOGOS (Parish Hall)
	6:45PM	JYF (Parish Hall)/LOGOS (Classrooms)
	7:00PM	SYF (Youth Room)
Thu	5:30PM	Personnel Committee (Fireside Room)
	7:00PM	CE Team (Fireside Room)
Fri	5:00PM	Parish Hall/Kitchen Reserved
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NEXT SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30TH, 2022: REFORMATION SUNDAY

Sermon Scripture	Ephesians 2:1-13
Sermon	"The Reformation Challenge"

TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVANTS

Accompanist	(Both) Lynne Christman
Song/Worship Leader	(Both) Roger Zimmerman
Acolytes	(8:00) Harrison Rohrs (10:30) Brie Grime
Easy Worship	(Both) Tom Hines
Sound Tech	(8:00) Angie Neuenschwander (10:30) James Grime
Live Stream	(10:30) Jocelyn Walker
8:00 Usher	Jim Grieser
Greeters	(8:00) Scott & Pam Reeb
Head Usher	Eric Nafziger
10:30 Ushers	Dave & Paige Miller, Keith & Kim Kern

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 23 The Lord Rescued Me ----- Psalm 18
Oct 24 It's Over to You ----- 1 Corinthians 16:13-24
Oct 25 Outward Appearances... -----1 Samuel 16:1-23
Oct 26 Who Does He Think He Is? -----1 Samuel 17:1-27
Oct 27 The Lord Will Rescue Me ----- 1 Samuel 17:28-54
Oct 28 An Insecure Leader ----- 1 Samuel 17:55-18:16
Oct 29 A Humble Servant ----- 1 Samuel 18:17-30

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ♦ **LifeWise Academy Kickoff Meeting** - November 1st, 7:00pm @ St. John's Christian Church. LifeWise Academy is a program meant to positively impact students, schools and communities by providing a Bible-based, character-focused Released Time Religious Education (RTRE) program. RTRE is a legal program by which religious education is accessible to public school students during the school day allowing them to leave school (with parental permission) to attend off-site classes which are both academic and religious in nature. The program is 1) privately funded, 2) held off of school property, and 3) includes only students with parental permission. This initial community informational meeting will address "The Why, The What & The How of LifeWise."
- ♦ **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 by October 30th at the bulletin board or online at www.stjohnsarchbold.org.

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

Dear Lord, help me to continuously be aware of all people around me every single day. Where there are people, there are needs. Give me Your eyes to see some of those needs and the wisdom to know how to help as well. Help me to be your hands and feet as I serve others right where I'm at. And allow them to see Your light in my life as I do work in your name. Amen.

PRAYER JOYS, CONCERNS, AND REQUESTS:

Please pray for...

- ◆ Lynda and Brent Schnitkey, as Lynda had a tumor removed from her colon this past Monday, praying for clear biopsy results.
- ◆ The family of Bernice Rice, whose memorial service was held on Friday.
- ◆ Chloe Merillat, as recent scans showed the chemo treatments are working, so she will continue with the medication and await scans in January.
- ◆ Lynne Christman, as she continues treatment for cancer, receiving her fourth chemo infusion tomorrow, which will end her first eight weeks of treatment.
- ◆ 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.
- ◆ Keira Christman, who is recovering well from surgery to remove her gall bladder.
- ◆ 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)

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