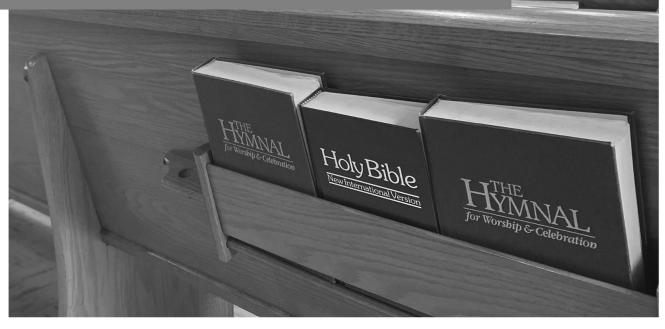
July 6, 2025 | 8:00AM & 10:30AM

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.

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. We also invite you to fill out a quick survey so we can get to know you a little better. Simply scan the QR code to the right with your phone's camera while you're waiting for worship to start!



Nursery Care/Diaper Changing Stations

Nursery Care is offered during our 10:30AM service for children ages four months through pre-



school in the second floor room labeled "Artisan's Tent." Parents can register children for Nursery Care online at www.stjohnsarchbold.org/nursery or by scanning the QR code to the left before checking into the nursery for the first time. Diaper changing stations are located in the office of the Director of Youth and Young Adults and in the Artisan's Tent. An usher will gladly direct you if needed!

Children's Busy Bags are located in the gym 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 Bulletins are available at a table in the chapel narthex.

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



WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP OF GOD!

Enter to Worship God in the Fellowship of Othe <i>"Enter into His gates with thanksgiving and in</i>	
Ringing of the Tower Bells and Lighting of the A "To the Glory of God, and for the Calling of the	
Welcome & Announcements	
Scripture and Prayer of Invocation	Psalm 147:1-6
Prelude <i>"A time of centering our thoughts on our wors</i>	"The Battle Hymn of the Republic" Thip of God; Father, Son and Holy Spirit"
† Hymns of Praise	pg. 6-7, "How Great Thou Art" pg. 8-9, "God of Our Fathers"
+ Passing the Peace of Christ	
Children's Message	
Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer (debts/de	ebtors)
Scripture Reading	Mark 4:35-41
† Sermon Hymn	pg. 10-11, "Peace! Be Still!"
Sermon	"The God of Miracles: Calming the Storm"
Sharing of Our Tithes and Offerings Offertory †The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication † Closing Hymn	"Victory in Jesus" pg. 12-13, "Praise Him! Praise Him!"
+ Spoken Benediction	
⁺ Benediction in Song	pg. 13, "Let's Just Praise the Lord"

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 147:1-6 Praise the Lord. How good it is to sing praises to our God, how pleasant and fitting to praise him! ² The Lord builds up Jerusalem; he gathers the exiles of Israel. ³ He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds. ⁴ He determines the number of the stars and calls them each by name. ⁵ Great is our Lord and mighty in power; his understanding has no limit. ⁶ The Lord sustains the humble but casts the wicked to the ground.



Mark 4:35-41 That day when evening came, he said to his disciples, "Let us go over to the other side." ³⁶ Leaving the crowd behind, they took him along, just as he was, in the boat. There were also other boats with him. ³⁷ A furious squall came up, and the waves broke over the boat, so that it was nearly swamped. ³⁸ Jesus was in the stern, sleeping on a cushion. The disciples woke him and said to him, "Teacher, don't you care if we drown?" ³⁹ He got up, rebuked the wind and said to the waves, "Quiet! Be still!" Then the wind died down and it was completely calm. ⁴⁰ He said to his disciples, "Why are you so afraid? Do you still have no faith?" ⁴¹ They were terrified and asked each other, "Who is this? Even the wind and the waves obey him!"

SERMON NOTES "THE GOD OF MIRACLES: CALMING THE STORM"

Teachings in Capernaum – 3:20-35 Parables of the Kingdom – 4:1-34 Trip across the Sea of Galilee – 4:35 – 5:20

Jesus Calms the Storm – Mark 4:35-41, Matthew 8:23-27, Luke 8:22-25

- Nature miracles Jesus is Lord over both the church and creation (Colossians 1:16)
- Many want to explain away this miracle as coincidence, myth or imagination
- A miracle of this kind is consistent with who Jesus said he was

When evening came...

- Jewish day began at sunset, daytime activities began at dawn
- Custom of prayer three times a day morning, noon and night
- They didn't wear watches...didn't follow an hourly schedule per se...the third hour, the sixth hour, the ninth hour...varied by the seasons

The many details shared of the account time of day – "just as he was," "other boats," the position of Jesus in the boat, the cushion, sharp rebuke, terror – shared from the perspective of an eyewitness

Setting of the sea – susceptible to sudden, violent storms – a furious squall – the boat was being swamped

Only mention in the gospels of Jesus sleeping – truly tired, to sleep through the storm

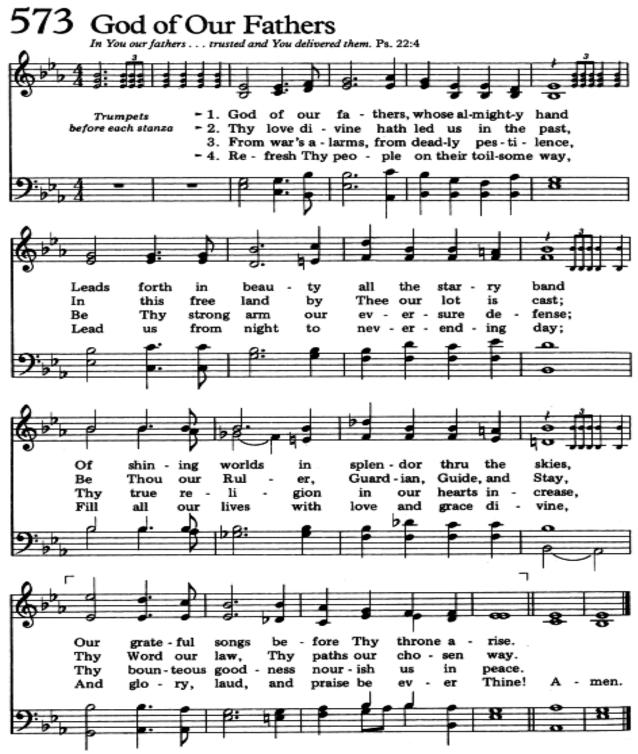
Rebuked

- Disciple's rebuke of Jesus still discovering who Jesus is
- Jesus rebuked the wind, the waves, and the disciples
- Rebuke...expected the disciples to have a more mature faith at this time, faith meaning faith in God's saving power as it is present and active in the person of Jesus

Terrified - a feeling of awe, something new revealed to them in this experience

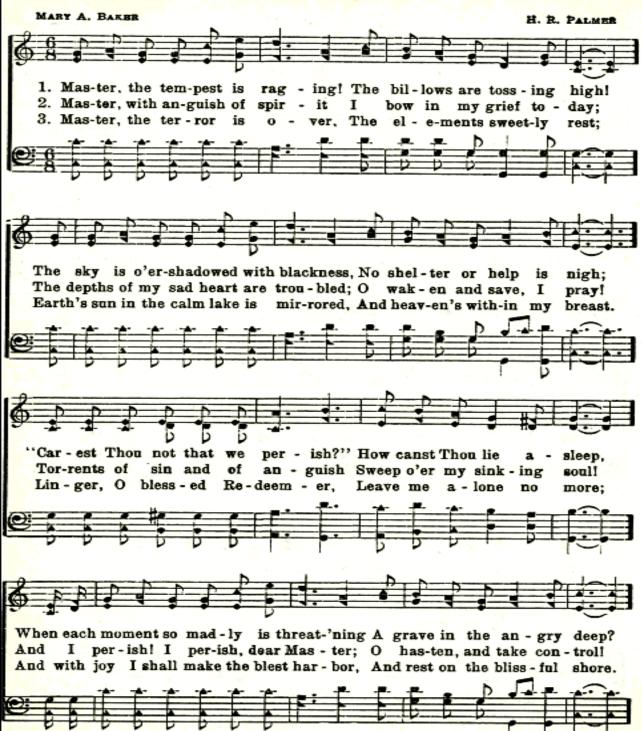








Peacel Be Still!



Peace! Be Still!







Restrooms

- The new restrooms are ready for use! New window sills are yet to be installed, and unfortunately, the counters were made wrong, which was identified by one of the project architects on a recent walk-thru, so correct counters are being manufactured.
- Beginning July 8th, demolition of the south restrooms will begin. The east wall of the restrooms will be screened off, including the west half of the south porch entrance doors, yet access will still be available through the east half of that entrance.

Status of Sanctuary:

- The overhead pendent lights were to ship July 3rd. Electricians will install upon arrival.
- Ceiling boards for over the former choir loft are on site and ready to be installed, and the oak trim for the ramp and chancel area is on site as well.
- Ramp handrail has been field checked and is awaiting fabrication.
- Once the pendent lights are installed, the flooring contractor will install the LVT under the pews.
- Pew installation has been reset for the week of August 11th.
- Following pew installation, carpet will be installed in the aisles. Chancel area carpet will be installed once oak trim and ramp railings are in place.
- The new ceiling finish of the sanctuary narthex is in process.

Other areas:

- Toledo Edison is scheduled to install the new electric transformer on July 9th, potentially a two day project. Then Creighton Electric will spend the week of July 14th making the transfer from the old electric service to the new electric service they have been running new conduit and wire in the boiler room from old panels to the new panels in preparation for the switch over.
- The subcontractor will continue the various exterior step and sidewalk work, saving the south porch replacement and new ramp installation until last.
- Elevator installation is confirmed for August 13th.
- The first floor (in the preschool room) and second floor single restrooms and the two custodian rooms by the elevator will be pushed along by the contractor.
- The two boilers were delivered on July 1st so their installation and connection to the radiant floor heating pipes will soon get underway.
- Work continues on installation of HVAC ductwork, air handlers and compressors.

It remains the intent of the Mel Lanzer Company to complete the entire project by November.

BULLETIN STEWARDSHIP REPORT AS OF JULY 2, 2025

Operating Fund Year to Date Rep	oort	:		
2025 Operating Budget	\$	437,965.00		
Total Donations	\$	191,669.58		
Total Expenses	\$	200,120.72		
Net Operating Balance	\$	(8,451.14)		
Mission Fund Year to Date Report				
2025 Mission Budget	\$	173,000.00		
Total Donations	\$	84,650.15		
Total Disbursements	\$	63,557.57		
Net Mission Balance	\$	21,092.58		
Imagine Your Faith Building Capital Campaign				
2025 Project Budget			\$	2,757,000.00
Fund Balance (EGR)	\$	1,631,059.81		
Buehrer Fund Current	\$	1,744.50		
Fund Balance (F&M)	\$	65,792.34		
Expenses to Date	\$	962,623.47		
Total	\$	2,661,220.12		
Funds Still to be Raised		Currently	\$	95,779.88
Funds Still to be Raised		as of 2/2/25	\$	196,763.00
Change from 2/2/25 to 7/	/2/2	2025	\$	100,983.12

BUILDING PROJECT STATUS REPORT CONTINUED:

Work for Church Volunteers to help with:

- Sorting Bibles and Hymnals.
- Removing wall paper in Parlor.
- Removing door in south wall of Parlor person has volunteered for this task.
- Removing tile from the walls at the south drinking fountain person has volunteered for this task.
- Clearing first and second floor rooms help needed at 6PM on July 8th and 10th.

PRAYER JOYS, CONCERNS, AND REQUESTS:

Please pray for...

- Jodi Beltz as she undergoes testing and treatments for blood clot issues.
- Denise and Justin Beck, grandson of Bud & Tootie, as Denise has recently been diagnosed with breast cancer.
- Steve Russell, who had prostate surgery on June 24th, with all going very well. He will be home recovering for two weeks.
- Rylen Hunt, grandson of Gloria Lauber, is nine months old and will be having cranial surgery on July 14th as the sutures in his cranium have fused too early. Pray for him, his parents and family as they await the day of surgery, and for the surgery itself.
- Dan Martinez had knee surgery on June 24th and is recovering at home.
- Ed Allen, who is recovering from recent MVD brain surgery to relieve pressure on a nerve to alleviate severe facial pain.
- Braden Martinez had surgery on May 20th at FCHC to repair damage to the patellar tendons and the lateral and medial ligaments in each knee. He will be recovering at home and will be non-weight bearing for at least six weeks.
- Chloe Merillat, granddaughter of Roger & Kay, continues to receive nutrition treatment and is gaining weight – which is blessed news!
- Josie Grieser, diagnosed with MS, continues to do well and continues to work every day. She goes to Cleveland Clinic every six months for scans and infusion treatment.

Care Center Residents...

- Marilyn Baron, Fulton Manor, 725 S. Shoop Ave, Wauseon 43567
- Linda Hayes, 407 E Lutz Road, Room 232, Archbold, 43502
- Charlene LaFountaine, 500 Haven Drive, Apt. 108, Archbold, 43502
- Mike Meyer, Fountain Park, 1391 N. Main St., Room 130, Bryan, 43506
- Dencel Miller, 407 E Lutz Road, Room 166, Archbold, 43502
- Josephine Short, 407 E. Lutz Road, Room 152B, Archbold, 43502
- Alice Tedrow, 600 Haven Drive, Apt. 111, Archbold, 43502

PRAYER JOYS, CONCERNS, AND REQUESTS CONTINUED:

Missions/Missionaries...

- M. Praise God that 2 out of the 3 steps for my visa extension are done! Praise for the completed teacher training. Praise for completing first language assessment. Pray for the fruit of the Spirit I don't always have patience! Please pray that people here would see their deep need for God.
- T&M praying for their daughter's arthritis health issue, for a boat (ferry) project they are working on, for a group of believers to form on one of the islands where a local sister is leading, for a new team of workers serving on one of the small islands.

Those serving in the Armed Forces...

- Kyle Ducey, San Antonio, TX (Navy) (Son of Kelly & Betsy)
- MAJ Jared Kuntz, Hawaii (Army) (Son of Keith & Kelli)
- Taylor Pitts, Dayton, OH (Air Force) (Granddaughter of Nan Neill)
- Shayne Pitts, Dayton, OH (Air Force) (Grandson-in-law of Nan Neill)
- Steve Schink, Chesterfield, MI (Coast Guard) (Son-in-law of Ed and Julie Ruffer)



DISCOVERY DAILY DEVOTIONAL Below is the list of daily readings for this week:

July 06 Confident Hope	Psalm 144
July 07 Samuel the Rock!	1 Samuel 6, 7
July 08 Stubborn People	1 Samuel 8
July 09 We Were Expecting You!	1 Samuel 9
July 10 The Making of a King	1 Samuel 10
July 11 How Can This Man Save Us?	- 1 Samuel 11
July 12 Faithful Service	- 1 Samuel 12

WEEK OF JULY 6TH AT ST. JOHN'S CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Sun	8:00AM	Worship (Chapel)
	8:30AM	Pause for Praise (96.1 WMTR)
	9:15AM	Sunday School
	10:30AM	Worship (Parish Hall and YouTube Live)
Mon	6:30PM	Fellowship Committee (Fireside Room)
Tue	9:15AM	Bible Study (Fireside Room)
	10:30AM	Staff Meeting (Part-Time Staff Office)
	6:00PM	Clearing Rooms
	7:00PM	Property Committee (Fireside Room)
Wed	6:30PM	Worship Leader Gathering
	6:45PM	Mission Committee (Fireside Room)
Thur	6:00PM	Clearing Rooms
	7:00PM	CE Committee
Sat	7:40AM	Men's Prayer Breakfast (Fireside Room)
	12:00PM	Parish Hall Reserved until 6PM
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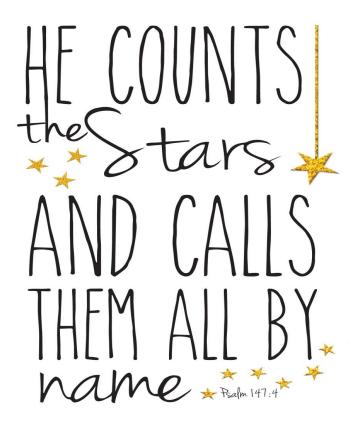
MISSION-A-MONTH FOR JULY - SHEPHERD CIRCLE

Shepherd Circle is a local mission project started by local resident, 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.

Accompanist	Buffy Riley
Song Leader	David Stuckey
Worship Leader	David Stuckey
(10:30) Lay Reader	Aimee Roth
(10:30) Easy Worship	Kelly Ducey
(10:30)Sound	James Grime
(10:30) Live Stream	Ollie MacDonald
(8:00) Usher	Shawn Stuckey
(10:30) Head Usher	Richard Spiess
(10:30) Ushers	Paul & Joan Lovejoy, Rollin & Suzette Nafziger
Nursery Assistants	Karen Walker & Molly Rutledge

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ATTENTION! If you are under the age of 150, this is for you! LIFT (Living In Faith Together) If you are not already committed to a Sunday School Class, come be a part of this Intergenerational one! Each session encourages a time to break bread, study God's Word, pray, and even play! Sessions run until July 20th (with a week off on July 6th), beginning at 9:15 in the gym. This cannot work without you! We need all generations involved!
- CPC Women's Health Resource Project Respect's 15th Annual Golf Outing is quickly approaching. Saturday, August 2nd, 2025 at Ironwood Golf Course. The event will include 18 Holes of golf, cart, lunch, door prizes, 50/50 raffle, and more! All proceeds from this fundraiser will benefit Project Respect, a non-profit character education program of CPC Women's Health Resource. We envision a community of young people who STAND UP against social pressures and STAND OUT as people of character. We serve students in 6 counties including Defiance, Fulton, Henry, Paulding, Putnam, and Williams. For more information, visit www.projectrespectnwo.org.
- Ruihley Park Pavilion Blood Drive Tuesday, July 8th, 11AM 5PM. To register, please call 1 -800-RED CROSS or go online to RedCrossBlood.org and use keyword: RUIHLEYPARK



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