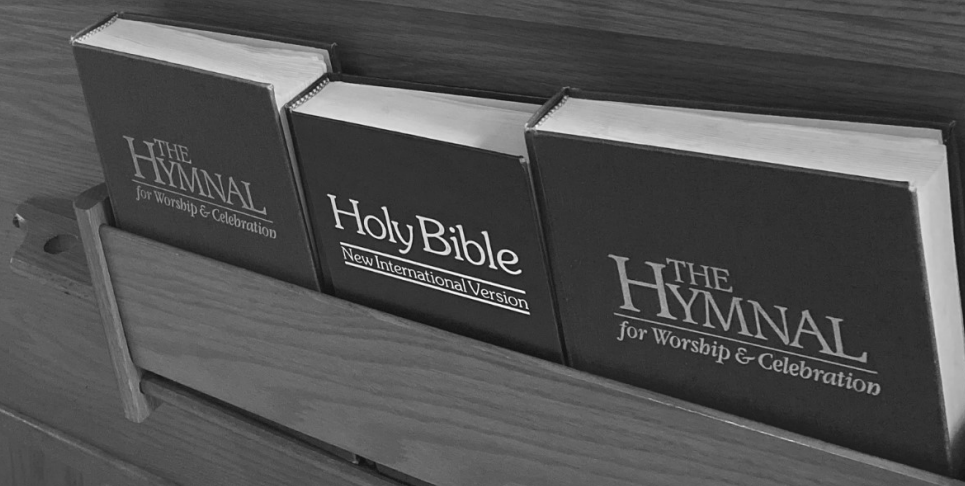




September 07, 2025 | 10:30 AM

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 will not be offered this Sunday, due to the Rally Sunday celebration. Diaper changing stations are located in the office of the Director of Youth and Young Adults and in the Fireside Room just off the gym. 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.

Let's Connect!



WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP OF GOD!
RALLY SUNDAY 2025

Enter to Worship God in the Fellowship of Others

“Enter into His gates with thanksgiving and into His courts with praise.” (Psalm 100:4)

Ring of the Tower Bells and Lighting of the Altar Candles

“To the Glory of God, and for the Calling of the Faithful to Worship.” (Inscribed on the Bells)

Welcome & Announcements

† Praise & Worship

10 Talents

“Great Are You Lord”

“Goodness of God”

“Do it Again”

“Waymaker”

Presentation of 3rd Grade Bibles

Sharing of Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

† The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

Scripture Reading

Matthew 25:14-30

Morning Message

Eric Wagler

“Ready - Set - Go”

Ministry Spotlight

Eric Wagler

Meal Prayer & Spoken Benediction

10 Talents will be available to speak about their ministry and answer any questions you may have after our service of worship today.

They will be located at a table near the second-floor stairwell.

Those staying for lunch are invited to stay seated after worship. Ushers will be around to dismiss by table to reduce foot traffic in the hallway. Thank you to the Fellowship Committee for providing this delicious meal and decorations! We praise God for this time together each year and pray our program year is filled with joy and blessings!

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 25:14-30 "Again, it will be like a man going on a journey, who called his servants and entrusted his property to them. ¹⁵To one he gave five talents of money, to another two talents, and to another one talent, each according to his ability. Then he went on his journey. ¹⁶The man who had received the five talents went at once and put his money to work and gained five more. ¹⁷So also, the one with the two talents gained two more. ¹⁸But the man who had received the one talent went off, dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. ¹⁹"After a long time the master of those servants returned and settled accounts with them. ²⁰The man who had received the five talents brought the other five. 'Master,' he said, 'you entrusted me with five talents. See, I have gained five more.' ²¹"His master replied, 'Well done, good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Come and share your master's happiness!' ²²"The man with the two talents also came. 'Master,' he said, 'you entrusted me with two talents; see, I have gained two more.' ²³"His master replied, 'Well done, good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Come and share your master's happiness!' ²⁴"Then the man who had received the one talent came. 'Master,' he said, 'I knew that you are a hard man, harvesting where you have not sown and gathering where you have not scattered seed. ²⁵So I was afraid and went out and hid your talent in the ground. See, here is what belongs to you.' ²⁶"His master replied, 'You wicked, lazy servant! So you knew that I harvest where I have not sown and gather where I have not scattered seed? ²⁷Well then, you should have put my money on deposit with the bankers, so that when I returned I would have received it back with interest. ²⁸"Take the talent from him and give it to the one who has the ten talents. ²⁹For everyone who has will be given more, and he will have an abundance. Whoever does not have, even what he has will be taken from him. ³⁰And throw that worthless servant outside, into the darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'

MISSION-A-MONTH - TOLEDO GOSPEL RESCUE MISSION

During the month of September the church will have the opportunity to participate personally in missions through TGRM. They provide housing, meals and assistance to the homeless in the Toledo area. You can give financially or by collecting items they need. The list includes:

- gently used blankets and sheets - particularly twin sheets
- towels and wash cloths
- personal sized body care items (hotel size),
- cleaning supplies - liquids and sponges,
- gently used winter coats for men, women, and children,
- clothing for infants and toddlers.

Items can go in the wooden bin between the chapel and gym. Or, you can bring your items on **Sunday, September 28th**, when someone from the mission will be here to share about the difference our contribution will make, and then take the items we collected back to Toledo. To learn more about TGRM and the many services they provide, visit tgrm.org. This month, we ask that you prayerfully consider supporting this ministry. You can give to TGRM by marking either line 11 or 12 of your offering envelope or by selecting “TGRM” in the “Give to” drop-down menu in Breeze’s online giving feature.

DISCOVERY DAILY DEVOTIONAL

Below is the list of daily readings for this week:

- Sept 07 God Who Sustains Us ----- Psalm 3
- Sept 08 A Broken-Hearted Parent ----- Isaiah 1:1-20
- Sept 09 Undiluted Righteousness ----- Isaiah 1:21-31
- Sept 10 A Picture of Perfect Peace ----- Isaiah 2:1-5
- Sept 11 Whom Do You Trust? ----- Isaiah 2:6-22
- Sept 12 Indictment and Judgment ----- Isaiah 3:1-4:1
- Sept 13 Future Fruitfulness ----- Isaiah 4:2-6

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ♦ **PreK - 12th Grade Sunday School** - It is the goal to begin Sunday school for all children and youth **next Sunday, September 14th**. All children and youth should plan on meeting in the gym at 9:15AM, with Faith Village to stay in the gym for class and 6th - 12th graders going outside or walking to McDonald's, weather pending.
- ♦ **Wednesday Evening Registration is Open!** PreK - 12th graders can register for Wednesday evening programs, including LOGOS, JYF, and SYF online at www.stjohnsarchbold.org. Registration links will also be available the evening of September 17th at the Fall Kickoff.
- ♦ **Fall Kickoff Outdoor Bash! September 17th, 6:00-8:00PM** All PreK - 12th graders and their families are invited to a night of fun and food as we kick off the program year together! Come get registered for the '25-'26 program year, meet your teachers and advisors, have some dinner, and enjoy the bounce house, skee ball, axe throwing, s'mores and more!
- ♦ **Third Thursday Senior Luncheon - Thursday, September 18th, 11:30AM** in the gym. Come for a wonderful meal and great fellowship around the table.
- ♦ **Fall Night of Faith - September 24th, 6:30-8:00PM** Our kickoff events continue with a collaborative night between all PreK - 12th grade programs as we dive into God's Creation Celebration! We'll share in an evening message, activities, and a time of praise and prayer together as one Christian family.
- ♦ **Grace in Chaos: A Bible Study for Moms** - Calling all moms of infants thru pre-teens! We'll be starting a Bible study using the resource, "Grace in Chaos: Biblical Hope for the Hard Days of Motherhood." This is a hybrid study that will be held in a private Facebook group and will meet in person several times throughout the fall and winter during the 9:15AM Sunday school hour (location TBD). If you would like to join the discussions, please contact Jocelyn in the church office.
- ♦ Thank you for the way you reached out with cards, flowers, prayers and visits after the death of my brother, Arlan. It was greatly appreciated. - Gloria Beck

WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 7TH AT ST. JOHN'S CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Sun	RALLY SUNDAY	
	8:00AM	Worship (Chapel)
	8:30AM	Pause for Praise (96.1 WMTR)
	9:15AM	Sunday School (Chapel)
	10:30AM	Worship (Parish Hall and YouTube Live)
	11:30AM	Lunch Provided by Fellowship Committee (Gym)
Mon	7:00PM	Pastoral Search Committee (Fireside Room)
Tue	9:15AM	Bible Study (Fireside Room)
	10:30AM	Staff Meeting (Fireside Room)
	7:00PM	Property Committee (Fireside Room)
Fri	7:00AM	Rest & Restoration Bible Study (Rest & Restoration Spa)
Sat	7:40AM	Men's Prayer Breakfast (Fireside Room)
Sun	8:00AM	Worship (Chapel)
	8:30AM	Pause for Praise (96.1 WMTR)
	9:15AM	Faith Village / Sunday School
	10:30AM	Worship (Parish Hall and YouTube Live)

TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVANTS

Worship Leader	David Stuckey
(10:30) Easy Worship	Brian Roth
(10:30) Sound	James Grime
(10:30) Live Stream	Cayla Swisher
(10:30) Head Usher	Richard Spiess
(10:30) Ushers	Peg Ehrman, Shirley Sullivan, Craig & Jenny Grieser

PRAYER JOYS, CONCERNS, AND REQUESTS:

Please pray for...

- ♦ Eric Wagler and 10 Talents as they give the message through word and song this morning.
- ♦ Pastor Erich as he returns to the office this week.
- ♦ Third graders, MaKenna Burkholder, Reese Grime, and JD Holdgreve, who will receive the blessing of Bibles this morning during 10:30AM service.
- ♦ Linda Hayes, who has been moved from Assisted Living into Special Care, room 401.
- ♦ Jace Bernath, who has been diagnosed with Exercise Induced Vocal Cord Dysfunction and has begun seeing a speech therapist in Bryan until he can be seen at Cleveland Clinic in September.
- ♦ Janet Franks, who is recovering from surgery on August 21st, at the ProMedica Breast Cancer Center.
- ♦ Greg and Deb Weddleman, as Greg has started chemo treatments for a cancer that is in several places throughout his body.
- ♦ Charlene LaFountaine, who is in the Rupp Rehab Center for a time of therapy.
- ♦ Denise and Justin Beck, grandson of Bud & Tootie, as Denise has recently been diagnosed with breast cancer.
- ♦ Braden Martinez continues to work through physical therapy in rehabbing both of his knees.
- ♦ Chloe Merillat, who is back at Taylor University and shared that she has gained over 15 pounds since having the surgery unrelated to her cancer. Praising God for her continued improvement, strength and weight gain as she begins classes.
- ♦ 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

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) Grand-daughter of Nan Neill)
- ♦ Shayne Pitts, Middle East (Air Force)
- ♦ (Grandson-in-law of Nan Neill)

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