



Sunday, April 19, 2026

8:00am & 10:30am



St. John's Christian Church

*"The Church on the Corner whose Cornerstone is Christ"*

# Welcome! We are so glad you are here.

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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. We 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 10:30 service for children ages four months through preschool. The Nursery - Preschool room is located on the first floor, in Room #125. Before checking into the nursery for the first time, parents can register children for Nursery Care online at



[www.stjohnsarchbold.org/nursery](http://www.stjohnsarchbold.org/nursery) or by scanning the QR code to the left. We also have a Mother's Room located outside of the Sanctuary in Room #138 for nursing mothers and/or mothers with young infants and toddlers. Diaper changing stations are located in the Mother's Room, the Nursery, and the family restrooms. An usher will gladly direct you if needed!

**Children's Busy Bags** are located in the 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.

**Large Print Bulletins** are available at a table in the narthex.

**Hearing Assistance** in the Sanctuary is available through Bluetooth connection to a person's hearing aids or via use of a hand-held amplifier and headphones. Please see an usher for further assistance.

Let's Connect!



**WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP OF GOD!**  
**THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER**

Welcome & Announcements

Scripture and Prayer of Invocation

Philippians 1:20-21

(8:00) Prelude

“How Great Is Our God”

(10:30) Prelude of Praise

“Holy Forever”

*“A time of centering our thoughts on our worship of God; Father, Son and Holy Spirit”*

†(8:00) Hymns of Praise

#30, “How Majestic Is Your Name”

#31, “Great Is the Lord”

#170, “One Day”

†(10:30) Songs of Praise

“What an Awesome God”

“Let It Be A Hallelujah”

†Sharing the Peace of Christ

Children’s Message

At this time Junior Church may be dismissed to the Chapel

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

*Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.*

†(8:00) Sermon Hymn

bulletin page, “When Christ Went to the Temple”

(10:30) Adult Hand Bell Choir

“All Creatures of Our God and King”

Scripture Reading

Matthew 21:12-17

Sermon

“You Willing to Pay the Cost?”

Sharing of Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

“Be Thou My Vision”

†The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heav’n-ly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

†(8:00) Closing Hymn

#213, “Because He Lives”

†(10:30) Closing Praise

“Raise A Hallelujah”

†Spoken Benediction

†(8:00) Benediction in Song

#293, v. 4 “Rise Up, O Church of God”

†(10:30) Benediction in Song

chorus, “Raise A Hallelujah”

## SCRIPTURE READINGS

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**Philippians 1:20-21** I eagerly expect and hope that I will in no way be ashamed, but will have sufficient courage so that now as always Christ will be exalted in my body, whether by life or by death. <sup>21</sup> For to me, to live is Christ and to die is gain.

**Matthew 21:12-27** Jesus entered the temple area and drove out all who were buying and selling there. He overturned the tables of the money changers and the benches of those selling doves. <sup>13</sup> "It is written," he said to them, "'My house will be called a house of prayer,' but you are making it a 'den of robbers.'" <sup>14</sup> The blind and the lame came to him at the temple, and he healed them. <sup>15</sup> But when the chief priests and the teachers of the law saw the wonderful things he did and the children shouting in the temple area, "Hosanna to the Son of David," they were indignant. <sup>16</sup> "Do you hear what these children are saying?" they asked him. "Yes," replied Jesus, "have you never read, "'From the lips of children and infants you have ordained praise?'" <sup>17</sup> And he left them and went out of the city to Bethany, where he spent the night.

## WORSHIP SERVANTS

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Accompanist	Buffy Riley	10:30 Easy Worship	Tom Hines
Song Leader	Andrew Rohrs	10:30 Sound	James Grime
Worship Leader	Jan Lindsay	10:30 Live Stream	Ryan Christman
8:00 Usher	Linda Heer	Head Usher	Greg Walker
10:30 Lay Reader	Aimee Roth	Children's Message	Madison Bowers
10:30 Ushers	Keith & Kelli Kuntz, Todd & Jill Nafziger		
10:30 Nursery	Molly Rutledge & Karen Walker		

## DISCOVERY DAILY DEVOTIONAL

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Below is the list of daily readings for this week:

April 19 Reality Check -----	Psalm 34
April 20 The Staff of God -----	Exodus 17
April 21 Now I Know -----	Exodus 18:1-12
April 22 Relative Advice -----	Exodus 18:13-27
April 23 My Treasured Possession -----	Exodus 19
April 24 Rightful Obedience -----	Exodus 20
April 25 Much More Than Slaves-----	Exodus 21-1-11

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## You Willing to Pay the Cost?

### Question for this week:

Where is God asking me to step into something I've been avoiding because it might cost me?

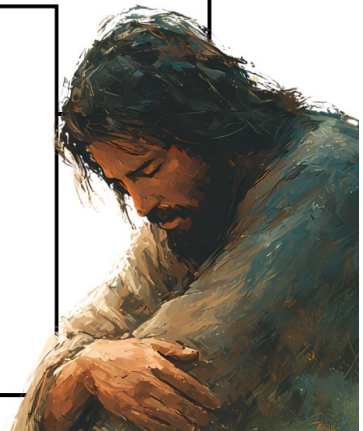
**Name it. Write it down:**

**Why am I avoiding it?**

**What will it cost me?**

**What might it look like to take one step of faith this week?**

**Pray over it. Write down your prayer here:**



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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- ◆ **Pastor Erich will be on vacation** Thursday, April 16<sup>th</sup> through most of Monday, April 20<sup>th</sup>. He and Lynne plan to worship on Sunday where Amy, their daughter, is the Kid's Minister, near Indianapolis. Text or call him as pastoral needs arise at 419-551-0401.
- ◆ **GIF Gals 5th Anniversary Celebration!** We will be meeting at King's Corner Garage on April 23<sup>rd</sup> at 5PM. Come for fun & fellowship. Food will be catered by The Barn Restaurant. Please sign up on the bulletin board outside of Pastor Erich's office.
- ◆ **Archbold HS Senior Citizen Luncheon** - AHS recognizes the important role that senior citizens play in our schools. Your support is vital in creating an environment that helps our students grow and mature into the next generation of community leaders. To show our appreciation for your support, we invite you to this luncheon. Friday, April 24<sup>th</sup> at 11:00AM in the AHS Gym. RSVP by April 20<sup>th</sup> by calling: 419-445-5579
- ◆ **Annual Community-wide Burger Bash**, Sunday, May 3<sup>rd</sup> in Ruibley Park Pavilion from 11AM to 1PM. A free-will donation covers lunch to share beside your neighbors and friends. With the Burger Bash donations over the last two decades, our community has been able to send almost \$785,000 to our mentors and teachers in Third World countries who stand ready to help the agricultural communities there by teaching better agricultural practices.
- ◆ **Middle School Community Lock-in-** All 5<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> graders are invited to this year's middle school community lock-in on Sunday, May 31<sup>st</sup>, into Monday, June 1<sup>st</sup> to celebrate the end of the school year! This year's lock-in will be held at St. Martin's Lutheran Church, with Jake Keil leading. All St. John's JYF youth are encouraged to attend this night of fun, food, fellowship, and prizes! The night will begin with a trip to Combat Ops Laser Tag in Fort Wayne. Please RSVP using the QR code.
- ◆ **Senior High Lock-in** All 9<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> graders are invited to the community senior high lock-in on Sunday, May 31<sup>st</sup>, into Monday, June 1<sup>st</sup> to celebrate the end of the school year! This year's lock-in will be held here at our church, with Jocelyn Walker leading. All St. John's SYF youth are encouraged to attend this night of fun, food, fellowship, and prizes! The night will begin with a trip to Q-Zar Laser Tag in Toledo. Please RSVP using the QR code.



FOR PRESCHOOL - 5<sup>TH</sup> GRADE!



**VBS - JULY 26TH - 30TH**



## WEEK OF APRIL 19TH AT ST. JOHN'S CHRISTIAN CHURCH

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Sun	8:00AM	Worship (Chapel)
	8:30AM	Pause for Praise (96.1 WMTR)
	9:15AM	Faith Village / Sunday School
	10:30AM	Worship (Sanctuary and YouTube Live)
	11:00AM	Junior Church (Chapel)
Mon	6:15PM	Spiritual Council Meeting (Fireside Room)
	7:15PM	Consistory Meeting (Fireside Room)
Tue	9:15AM	Bible Study (Fireside Room)
	5:00PM	Community Meal (St. Peter Catholic)
Wed	6:00PM	LOGOS (Gym) / Confirmation (Jr. Youth Room & Fireside)
	7:00PM	JYF/ SYF (Youth Rooms)
	7:30PM	Adult Choir (Sanctuary)
Thurs	5:00PM	GIF Gals 5th Anniversary Party (King's Corner Garage)
Sun	8:00AM	Worship (Chapel)
	8:30AM	Pause for Praise (96.1 WMTR)
	9:15AM	Member's Orientation (Part Time Staff, Room #122)
	9:15AM	Faith Village / Sunday School
	10:30AM	Worship (Sanctuary and YouTube Live)
	5:00PM	Seekers (Jr. Youth Room)

**Search Committee Monthly Bible Verse-** Proverbs 3:5-6, "Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make your paths straight." (A reminder that the search is ultimately led by God, not just a committee.)

## APRIL MISSION-A-MONTH: FAIRLAWN HAVEN

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Fairlawn began under the vision and direction of 11 area churches offering a full continuum of care on an active senior campus. Our Independent Living duplexes and apartments allow residents to enjoy retirement without the worries of maintenance in a friendly and safe community of neighbors. If help is needed, Fairlawn Haven Care Center and Assisted Living are nearby to offer support. As a faith-based, not-for-profit organization, Fairlawn depends on the generosity and support of our friends and community. To learn more visit their website at <https://www.fairlawnarchbold.com/>. This month, we ask that you prayerfully consider supporting this community ministry. Giving may be made on Line 11 or 12 of your offering envelope, or by selecting "Fairlawn" in the "Give to" drop-down menu in Breeze's online giving feature.

## PRAYER JOYS, CONCERNS, AND REQUESTS:

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### Please pray for...

- ◆ The Pastor Search Process, praying for the Search Committee, Shepherd Staff, and the congregation, praying for the Lord's wisdom and guidance in the entire process.
- ◆ John Graber, who fell on Thursday, broke his right hip, and had surgery Friday.
- ◆ Toni & Chris Neuenschwander, as Toni has been diagnosed with heart failure and is going through twelve weeks of cardio rehab.
- ◆ Members of our church family who are navigating various mental and emotional health challenges, as we pray that they can feel God's goodness and love surrounding them.
- ◆ Connie Bostelman, who continues to navigate health challenges while praying for courage and strength on her part.
- ◆ Rev. Jim Barnes, National Minister of the Evangelical Association, as recent scans have shown a return of cancer. Jim will be undergoing a PET scan and a biopsy on at least one tumor. Pray for the power of God's healing upon Jim's body.
- ◆ Sandy Miller, for the facial pain she has been experiencing.
- ◆ Eric and Anna Yoder, who are foster parenting infant twin boys.
- ◆ Lynda and Brent Schnitkey, as Lynda continues to recover from a recent surgery.
- ◆ Jodi Beltz, as monthly injections continue, and in therapy for bursitis below her left knee.
- ◆ Chloe Merillat, continues with physical therapy, now having movement in both legs and will be starting a specialized therapy in Florida this summer.
- ◆ Josie Grieser, diagnosed with MS, having scans and infusion treatments every six months.

### Care Center Residents...

- ◆ Marilyn Baron, Fulton Manor, 725 S. Shoop Ave, Wauseon 43567
- ◆ Linda Hayes, 407 E Lutz Road, Room 401, Archbold, 43502
- ◆ Charlene LaFountaine, 407 E Lutz Road, Room 180, Archbold, 43502
- ◆ Mike Meyer, Fountain Park, 1391 N. Main St., Room 130, Bryan, 43506
- ◆ Dencel Miller, 407 E Lutz Road, Room 135, Archbold, 43502
- ◆ Alice Tedrow, 600 Haven Drive, Apt. 111, Archbold, 43502

### And 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)
- ◆ Shayne Pitts, Dayton, OH (Air Force) (Grandson-in-law of Nan Neill)

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