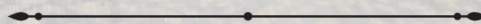




Sunday, June 14, 2026

10:00am



# 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, and we hope you feel God's love in a refreshing way this morning. We invite you to learn a little more about our congregation and fill out a connect card while you're waiting for worship to start. Simply scan the QR code to the right with your phone's camera!



## **Nursery Care/Diaper Changing Stations**

Nursery Care is offered during our 10:00AM service for children ages four months through pre-school. 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!

Welcome & Announcements

Scripture and Prayer of Invocation

Proverbs 1:1-7

Prelude

“How Firm a Foundation”

†Hymns of Praise

#47, “God Will Take Care of You”  
#353, “A Shelter In the Time of Storm”

†Sharing of the Peace of Christ

Children’s Message

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord’s Prayer

*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.*

Adult Bell Choir

“The Solid Rock”

Scripture Reading

Genesis 6:9-22

Sermon

“A Lesson From Noah’s Ark”

Sharing of Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

“Simple Gifts”

†*The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication*

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

†Closing Hymn

#356, “Under His Wings”

†Spoken Benediction

†Musical Benediction - Adult Bell Choir

“The Lord Bless You and Keep You”

## Transition to Congregational Meeting

## June Mission-A-Month: Habitat for Humanity of Fulton County

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Habitat for Humanity of Fulton County, Ohio (HFHFCO) builds and repairs homes in Fulton County, Ohio for people who need affordable housing and have little or no means to better their circumstances through conventional avenues. We partner with people who are willing to work for what they need, giving a hand up, never a hand out. This principle teaches skills so partners can provide for themselves and teach their children and grandchildren to do the same. Each project requires pay back of the project price (determined through set standards). These payments are affordable because no interest is charged. Project costs are kept low through donations and volunteer labor from those in our communities. Principal payments from partner-homeowners are used to fund the mission, but isn't enough so we rely on donations, fundraisers and grants. This month, we ask that you prayerfully consider supporting this community ministry. You can give to HFHFCO by marking Line 11 or 12 of your offering envelope or by selecting "HFHFCO" 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:

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- June 14 Thought For the Weak ----- Psalm 41
- June 15 The Greatest of Hopes ----- Romans 8:18-39
- June 16 God's Choice ----- Romans 9:1-18
- June 17 Arguing With God ----- Romans 9:19-29
- June 18 Good News For All-----Romans 9:30-10:21
- June 19 Faithful Minority ----- Romans 11:1-10
- June 20 Pruning and Grafting ----- Romans 11:11-24

## WEEK OF JUNE 14TH AT ST. JOHN'S CHRISTIAN CHURCH

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Sun	8:30AM	Pause for Praise (96.1 WMTR)
	9:00AM	Sunday School
	10:00AM	Worship (Sanctuary and YouTube Live)
	11:10AM	Congregational Meeting (Sanctuary)
	2:00PM	Pre-game Faith & Family Event (Fifth Third Field, Toledo)
	4:00PM	First Pitch Mud Hens Faith & Family Night
Mon	7:00PM	Praise Team Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
Tue	2:00PM	Coffee & Jesus Bible Study for Girls (Tap Culture)
Wed	1:00PM	B3 Bible Study, 4 <sup>th</sup> -8 <sup>th</sup> graders (Tap Culture)
Thurs	8:30AM	Coffee & Jesus Bible Study for Girls (Tap Culture)
Fri	5:45AM	Depart for Micah Tyler Concert (Bryan Fountain City Amphitheater)
Sun	8:00AM	Worship (Chapel)
	8:30AM	Pause for Praise (96.1 WMTR)
	9:15AM	Sunday School
	10:30AM	Worship (Sanctuary and YouTube Live)

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

VBS - JULY 26TH - 30TH



## WORSHIP SERVANTS

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Accompanist	Lynne Christman	Sound	James Grime
Worship Leader	Jenna Stuckey	Easy Worship	Mark Nofziger
Song Leader	Roger Zimmerman	Live Stream	Ollie MacDonald
Head Usher	Greg Walker	Nursery	Corey & Jocelyn Walker
Ushers	Ryan, Jill, Lainey & JD Holdgreve		
Bell Choir	Jane Pearl Buckenmeyer, Lynne Christman, Ryan Christman, Maggie Enderle, Gloria Lauber, Aimee Roth, Darlene Steiner, Crissi Stuckey, David Stuckey, Buffy Riley, director		

## Scripture Readings

**Proverbs 1:1-7** The proverbs of Solomon son of David, king of Israel: <sup>2</sup> for attaining wisdom and discipline; for understanding words of insight; <sup>3</sup> for acquiring a disciplined and prudent life, doing what is right and just and fair; <sup>4</sup> for giving prudence to the simple, knowledge and discretion to the young - <sup>5</sup> let the wise listen and add to their learning, and let the discerning get guidance - <sup>6</sup> for understanding proverbs and parables, the sayings and riddles of the wise. <sup>7</sup> The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge, but fools despise wisdom and discipline.

**Genesis 6:9-22** This is the account of Noah. Noah was a righteous man, blameless among the people of his time, and he walked with God. <sup>10</sup> Noah had three sons: Shem, Ham and Japheth. <sup>11</sup> Now the earth was corrupt in God's sight and was full of violence. <sup>12</sup> God saw how corrupt the earth had become, for all the people on earth had corrupted their ways. <sup>13</sup> So God said to Noah, "I am going to put an end to all people, for the earth is filled with violence because of them. I am surely going to destroy both them and the earth. <sup>14</sup> So make yourself an ark of cypress wood; make rooms in it and coat it with pitch inside and out. <sup>15</sup> This is how you are to build it: The ark is to be 450 feet long, 75 feet wide and 45 feet high. <sup>16</sup> Make a roof for it and finish the ark to within 18 inches of the top. Put a door in the side of the ark and make lower, middle and upper decks. <sup>17</sup> I am going to bring floodwaters on the earth to destroy all life under the heavens, every creature that has the breath of life in it. Everything on earth will perish. <sup>18</sup> But I will establish my covenant with you, and you will enter the ark - you and your sons and your wife and your sons' wives with you. <sup>19</sup> You are to bring into the ark two of all living creatures, male and female, to keep them alive with you. <sup>20</sup> Two of every kind of bird, of every kind of animal and of every kind of creature that moves along the ground will come to you to be kept alive. <sup>21</sup> You are to take every kind of food that is to be eaten and store it away as food for you and for them." <sup>22</sup> Noah did everything just as God commanded him.

# Sermon Outline – "A Lesson From Noah's Ark"

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## Scripture – Genesis 6:9-22

The entire narrative about Noah runs from Genesis 6:1 through Genesis 9:29, with Genesis 10 detailing the account of Noah's sons, Shem, Ham and Japheth and their sons.

- ◆ 6:1-4 – mankind populating the earth
- ◆ 6:5-6 – the Lord saw how great the wickedness on the earth had become, the Lord was grieved and his heart was filled with pain
- ◆ 6:7 – the Lord said he would wipe mankind from the face of the earth
- ◆ 6:8 – but Noah found favor in the eyes of the Lord

**Genesis 7** – after the ark was constructed, the Lord told Noah the plan to fill the ark with animals for the rain would come.

- ◆ Noah had seven days to fill the ark before the forty days and the forty nights of rain would begin, which Noah did, and the rains did come
- ◆ The waters rose and covered the mountains to a depth of more than twenty feet. Every living thing on the face of the earth perished, all was wiped out. Only Noah was left, and those with him on the ark
- ◆ The waters flooded the earth for a hundred and fifty days

**Genesis 8** – God remembered Noah and all that were on the ark, human and creature. The springs of the deep and the floodgates of the heavens were closed and the rain stopped falling. The ark came to rest on Mount Ararat as the waters receded. Noah, his family, and the animals were on the ark for about 370 days; that is an estimate...

**Genesis 8:18-22** – after the land dried up, Noah and his family, and all the animals and creatures came out of the ark. Noah built an altar to the Lord. The Lord promised never to curse the land again because of man.

**Genesis 9** – The Lord blessed Noah and his family, and laid out instructions for living and established a new covenant, as symbolized by the rainbow in the sky.

## Genesis 6:9-22

- ◆ Noah was a righteous man who walked with God
- ◆ Construction of the Ark – the Lord provided the plan, Noah built the ark
- ◆ What was included, what was not...

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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**Time of Pastoral Transition** - With the May 31<sup>st</sup> calling of Elijah Layfield to be the next pastor of St. John's Christian Church, a Transition Committee has been formed to coordinate the various aspects involved. The committee met for the first time on Thursday, June 11, and the committee will communicate with the congregation as plans unfold.

The following schedule has been set:

- ◆ July 12<sup>th</sup> - Erich will plan and lead a final worship service and preach his final sermon as Pastor of St. John's Christian Church
- ◆ July 13<sup>th</sup> - First day for Elijah as Pastor of St. John's Christian Church
- ◆ July 19<sup>th</sup> - Service of "A Time of Passage - Farewell and Welcome"
  - ◇ Service will include a "Symbolic Passing of Leadership"
  - ◇ Elijah will plan and lead his first worship service and preach his first sermon as Pastor of St. John's Christian Church
  - ◇ Erich will be present as the retiring pastor

**Tyson & Lauren Rufenacht**, daughter and son-in-law of Shawn & Jenna Stuckey, welcomed a son, Colby Oliver on June 8<sup>th</sup>.

**LaPorte Habitat for Humanity Mission Trip** - Our team will be departing tomorrow for LaPorte, IN. Please keep them in your prayers for safety while travelling and on the job site. May others see Jesus through their service & kindness, bringing opportunities to share His great love for them! The team includes Kelly Ducey, Jim Grieser, Darlene Steiner, David & Crissi Stuckey, Andrew & Jamie Zagarella, and Pastor Erich. A few individuals hope to spend Tuesday at the worksite as well.

**Faith & Family Mud Hens Night** - June 14<sup>th</sup>, today is the day! Gates open at 1:30PM, with a Pre-game faith session starting at approximately 2:00PM. First pitch at 4:05PM, as the Mud Hens take on the St. Paul Saints. Kids are invited to run the bases after the game. Reservations have already been made (sorry, we were not given much time for ticket sales).

**Third Thursday Luncheon** - There will be NO Luncheon for the month of June! See you in July!

**Custodial Position Update** - Buffy Riley and Amanda Wolf have faithfully and effectively served as custodians for St. John's over the past three years. Life situations change and the two ladies have determined it is time to relinquish the custodial duties of the church to meet the changes at this time in their lives. St. John's thanks both Buffy and Amanda for their dedication, flexibility, and hard work. You served diligently! Buffy and Amanda will serve in this position until June 27<sup>th</sup>. If

## ANNOUNCEMENTS (CONT.)

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you are interested in this part-time position, or know someone that might be, please contact the Personnel Committee Chair, Laura Johnson - with a letter of interest that includes experience and references to lajohnson57@gmail.com.

**VBS Stuffie Collection** - While you're in the middle of spring cleaning, please feel free to donate any rainforest or jungle stuffed animals for this year's Rainforest Falls VBS. Animals will be used for a kick-off night station for children to take home. Thank you!

**VBS Craft Night** - Calling all crafters and junior crafters! We are looking for your help on Wednesday, July 1<sup>st</sup> and Wednesday, July 8<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 to 8:00PM in the gym. We'll be assembling an assortment of rainforest foliage and landscaping that will be used as decorations throughout the church during VBS week. This is a great opportunity to help with VBS even if you can't be here the week of the event! All ages and abilities are welcome, as this will be a fun fellowship opportunity for our church community. Bring your hot glue gun, favorite pair of scissors, and a snack to share if willing!

**Dads & Sons Camping Night** - Calling all Dads & Sons of SJCC youth programs! You're invited to a camping night at the Grieser property on Friday, July 31<sup>st</sup> to celebrate the end of the summer and wind down from summer sports. All incoming 6<sup>th</sup> thru 12<sup>th</sup> graders and their dads are invited to attend. Please RSVP to Jocelyn Walker by July 26<sup>th</sup>.

**Summer Youth Outings** – We have a fun lineup of summer outings this year for youth in 5<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grade, including a trip to Cedar Point and a free summer concert at the Bryan Fountain City Amphitheater! Please RSVP to the events by scanning the QR code so that we can plan enough transportation and chaperones for each event.



**November 2026 Back Bay Mission Trip** - the trip is November 15<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup>, see the sign-up on the bulletin board outside of Pastor Erich's office for more information.

**Life Planning Mentors Needed** – We will have up to eight youth to be placed with adult mentors in our church for the upcoming Life Planning year. Life Planning pairs each high school freshman with an adult member of the church for the duration of all four years of high school. Christian mentorship is designed to foster a deeper sense of Christian community, and to provide both youth and their parents with additional spiritual and emotional support through high school. Life Planning meets as a group on the second Wednesday evening of each month and continues to be a beloved youth program here at St. John's. If you are feeling called to serve as a mentor, or if you have questions about the program prior to signing up, please contact Jocelyn Walker.

## PRAYER JOYS, CONCERNS, AND REQUESTS:

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### Please pray for...

- ◆ Colby Rufenacht, infant son of Tyson & Lauren Rufenacht and grandson of Shawn & Jenna Stuckey. Colby was born on June 8th and remains hospitalized due to an infection, and the hope is that he will be released on June 16<sup>th</sup>.
- ◆ Sandy Miller, was scheduled to have surgery on June 12<sup>th</sup>, to relieve nerve pain in her head.
- ◆ Ralph and Bonnie Grieser, as Ralph is now in Room 163A at Fairlawn, receiving therapy.
- ◆ John Graber is in Room 167 at Fairlawn as he waits for his apartment at Wyse Commons.
- ◆ Elijah, Shannon, Eli and Jack Layfield, as they follow God's call upon Elijah to be the pastor of SJCC, as they look to purchase a home in Archbold and go through the moving process.
- ◆ Chloe Merillat who continues through specialized physical therapy in Deerfield Beach, FL.
- ◆ Toni & Chris Neuenschwander, as Toni has almost completed 12 weeks of cardio rehab.
- ◆ Rev. Jim Barnes, National Minister of the EA, as he undergoes cancer treatment.

### Care Center Residents...

- ◆ Marilyn Baron, Fulton Manor, 725 S. Shoop Ave, Wauseon 43567
- ◆ Linda Hayes, 407 E Lutz Road, Room 401, Archbold, 43502
- ◆ Charlene LaFontaine, 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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