



Sunday, June 21, 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.

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 10:30AM 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 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!
FATHER'S DAY

Welcome & Announcements

Scripture and Prayer of Invocation

John 3:16-17

Father's Day Tribute and Prelude

"Good, Good Father"

†(8:00) Hymns of Praise

#387, v. 1, 2, "O To Be Like Thee!"

#388, v. 1, 3, "I Would Be Like Jesus"

#389, v. 1, 2, "More About Jesus"

†(10:30) Songs of Praise

"It Really Is (Amazing Grace)"

"The Stand"

†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.

Scripture Readings

2 Corinthians 8:1-15, 9:6-8

†(8:00) Sermon Hymn

#453, "I Gave My Life For Thee"

†(10:30) Sermon Song

"Trust In God"

Sermon

"Generous Stewardship"

Sharing of Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

"Faith of Our Fathers"

†*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.

†(8:00) Closing Hymn

#446, "I Will Serve Thee"

†(10:30) Closing Praise

"Worthy of It All"

†Spoken Benediction

†(8:00) Benediction in Song

chorus, #447, "Freely, Freely"

†(10:30) Benediction in Song

chorus, "Worthy of It All"

WORSHIP SERVANTS

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| Accompanist | Buffy Riley | 10:30 Sound | James Grime |
| 8:00 Song Leader | Andrew Rohrs | 10:30 Easy Worship | Tom Hines |
| 10:30 Lay Readers | Avery Roth | 10:30 Live Stream | Ryan Christman |
| 8:00 Usher | Linda Heer | Head Usher | Greg Walker |
| Ushers | Ryan, Jill, Lainey & JD Holdgreve | | |
| Praise Team | Lynne Christman, Scott Reeb, Buffy Riley, Bruce Wooley | | |
| Nursery | Karen Walker & Molly Rutledge | | |

SCRIPTURE READINGS

John 3:16-17 "For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. ¹⁷ For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him.

2 Corinthians 8:1-15 And now, brothers, we want you to know about the grace that God has given the Macedonian churches. ² Out of the most severe trial, their overflowing joy and their extreme poverty welled up in rich generosity. ³ For I testify that they gave as much as they were able, and even beyond their ability. Entirely on their own, ⁴ they urgently pleaded with us for the privilege of sharing in this service to the saints. ⁵ And they did not do as we expected, but they gave themselves first to the Lord and then to us in keeping with God's will. ⁶ So we urged Titus, since he had earlier made a beginning, to bring also to completion this act of grace on your part. ⁷ But just as you excel in everything-- in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in complete earnestness and in your love for us--see that you also excel in this grace of giving. ⁸ I am not commanding you, but I want to test the sincerity of your love by comparing it with the earnestness of others. ⁹ For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that you through his poverty might become rich. ¹⁰ And here is my advice about what is best for you in this matter: Last year you were the first not only to give but also to have the desire to do so. ¹¹ Now finish the work, so that your eager willingness to do it may be matched by your completion of it, according to your means. ¹² For if the willingness is there, the gift is acceptable according to what one has, not according to what he does not have. ¹³ Our desire is not that others might be relieved while you are hard pressed, but that there might be equality. ¹⁴ At the present time your plenty will supply what they need, so that in turn their plenty will supply what you need. Then there will be equality, ¹⁵ as it is written: "He who gathered much did not have too much, and he who gathered little did not have too little."

2 Corinthians 9:6-8 Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously. ⁷ Each man should give what he has

SCRIPTURE READINGS (CONT.)

decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. ⁸ And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Time of Pastoral Transition - With the May 31st 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 12th - Erich will plan and lead a final worship service and preach his final sermon as Pastor of St. John's Christian Church
- ◆ July 13th - First day for Elijah as Pastor of St. John's Christian Church
- ◆ July 19th - 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

Gif Gals –Before we announce July's outing, we must go back to our June Luncheon at Joel & Annie Foote's home. The weather called for high temps and maybe rain, but twelve Gals braved the elements! Plans were for a garden luncheon, but we were invited inside where it was cool and enjoyed the view of the garden from a large window as we dined and played games. The Gals would like to thank the Foote's for their outstanding hospitality, and for inviting us back next year! Moving on... Ever hear that song, "Get Your Kicks on Route 66"? Well, the Gals are going to dine at Delta Route 109, on July 23rd at 5:30PM. Please remember to sign up & bring a friend!

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 27th. If 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.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS (CONT.)

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

VBS Stuffie Collection - While you're in the middle of summer 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 1st and Wednesday, July 8th 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 31st to celebrate the end of the summer and wind down from summer sports. All incoming 6th thru 12th graders and their dads are invited to attend. Please RSVP to Jocelyn Walker by July 26th.

SJCC Administrative Assistant - Will be out of the office from Friday, June 19th through Friday, June 26th. Please send any office inquiries to Jocelyn Walker, or Pastor Erich during this week.

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

JUNE MISSION-A-MONTH: HABITAT FOR HUMANITY OF FULTON COUNTY

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.

WEEK OF JUNE 21ST 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 | Sunday School |
| | 10:30AM | Worship (Sanctuary and YouTube Live) |
| Mon | 6:15PM | Spiritual Council Meeting (Fireside Room) |
| | 7:15PM | Consistory Meeting (Fireside Room) |
| Tue | 9:15AM | Bible Study (Fireside Room) |
| | 10:30AM | Staff Meeting (Part Time Staff Room) |
| | 2:00PM | Bible Study for High School Girls (Tap Culture) |
| Wed | 1:00PM | Bible Study, 4 th -8 th graders (Healthy Spot) |
| | 9:00PM | Secret Agent Night, 5 th - 8 th graders (St. Martin's Lutheran Church) |
| Thurs | 8:30AM | Bible Study for High School Girls (Tap Culture) |
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DISCOVERY DAILY DEVOTIONAL

Below is the list of daily readings for this week:

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| June 21 Thirsting For God | ----- | Psalm 42, 43 |
| June 22 Extravagant Generosity | ----- | Romans 11:25-36 |
| June 23 The Heart of David | ----- | 2 Samuel 1:1-16 |
| June 24 Devastated | ----- | 2 Samuel 1:17-27 |
| June 25 Choosing Right | ----- | 2 Samuel 2,3 |
| June 26 Patience Rewarded | ----- | 2 Samuel 5 |
| June 27 A Wrong Step | ----- | 2 Samuel 6 |

FOR PRESCHOOL - 5TH GRADE!

VBS - JULY 26TH - 30TH



PRAYER JOYS, CONCERNS, AND REQUESTS:

Please pray for...

- ◆ Sandy Miller, was scheduled to have surgery on June 12th, 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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