

St. John Mennonite Church

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Outreach Opportunity

Campus Life Youth For Christ Bluffton & PG Middle School

Bluffton & PG Middle School Youth for Christ/Campus Life is in need of ministry leaders (volunteers) for their weekly clubs. We are looking for high schoolers through older and wiser adults who are willing to share 1.5—2 hours per week with local middle schoolers. We have the biggest need for Bluffton Club 56 which meets Mondays from 2:45-4:30 pm. Contact Gwen Sprague at Gwendolyn.yfc@gmail.com or (567) 204-3780.

Focus for Prayer

Jana Huber

Jennifer Higley

Autumn Sprunger

Aaron Wannemacher

This Week Please Remember Findlay Area Youth For Christ

Please pray for Findlay Area Youth For Christ. Don Leader, Director, says that kids are dealing with many hurts and problems. Some have parents divorcing, some are struggling with addictions, some question their sexual identity, and others facing spiritual battle. Please pray for the area leaders that are on the front lines helping these kids find the light of Christ in a dark world.

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 (our website is mobile friendly)



Welcome to St. John Mennonite Church

We're glad you joined us today as we worship God together and learn from His Word. If you are visiting, we invite you to stop by the Welcome Center in the Fellowship Hall for a cup of coffee and pick up a welcome bag.

November 27, 2016

First Sunday of Advent

"Come Messiah King"

Worship Service

Welcome & Greeting
 Praise & Worship
 Intercessory Prayer
 Advent Reading
 Offering
 Message
 Response
 Sending

TODAY
Benevolent Offering

Service Times

First Service - 8:30 am
 Sunday School & ABF Classes - 9:45 am
 Second Service - 11:00 am



"Join with Christ in Building His Church"

A Few Family Matters

White Gift Offering

During the December ABF classes, we will collect our annual "White Gift Offering" for our missionaries and their children. It is our Christmas gift to them. It will be divided equally among our missionary families.

Minutes / Financials

For recent Council Minutes and Financial Reports, see our website under Leadership/Church Leadership Team Tab.

Lost & Found

Please check this area (restroom area under the Sanctuary) for items you are missing. Any unclaimed items will be donated at the end of the year.

Sunday Morning Hospitality

If you have the gift of hospitality and are looking to get involved in a ministry at St. John, we would love to have you be a part of our Sunday Morning Hospitality Ministry. We have one opening for someone to serve every other month. For more information, contact Bev Robb at 419-957-1541.

VBS & Kid2Kid Camp 2017

We are starting to form a Planning Committee for each of these summer programs. Planning meetings will begin in January. If you are interested in serving on either of these committees please contact Rachel at rantrim@stjohnmennonite.org or Lindsay at lindsaysjmkids@gmail.com.

Connection Card

We would like to know who you are and how to pray for you. The Connection Cards are located on the Sermon Note page of the Bulletin. Fill one out and drop it in the offering bag.

Youth Ministry details at www.stjohnmennonite.org

Sr. High Christmas Formal • NEXT Sunday, December 4 • 6 pm

On behalf of the Sr. High Leaders, we would like you to be our guests of honor at our **2016 Sr. High Christmas Celebration**. Join us for dinner and entertainment at the home of Mark & Julie Yoder. Look for more info and please RSVP through Facebook.

Save the Date

SpringHill 2017 • March 10-12 • For Both Jr. & Sr. High

NO Sr. High Small Groups TONIGHT

Club 2 | Jr. High Bible Study
Wednesday • 7-8:30 pm • Paul Ginther's House

This Week

Monday, November 28
Adult Choir Practice • 7 pm • Choir Room

Tuesday, November 29
Ladies Bible Study • 9-11:15 am

Wednesday, November 30
Awana • 6:30-8 pm • SJM
P.O.W. • 6:45 pm • Conference Room
Jr. High Club 2 • 7-8:30 pm • Ginther's

Sunday, December 4
"Exceeding the Best" | *Matthew 5:17-20*
Kids Worship Service • Fellowship Hall
College Lunch • After 2nd Service • Reichenbach's Home
SH Christmas Formal • 6 pm • Yoder's
Kids Choir Practice • 6 pm • Sanctuary

Upcoming Events

Choir Practice
The Choir will be practicing at 7 pm in the Choir Room:
• Monday, November 28
• Monday, December 5 & 12
The Choir will be singing in both worship services on Sunday, December 18.

Christmas Day Worship Service
Sunday, December 25 • 10 am
One combined Worship Service with no Sunday School and no childcare.

New Year's Day Worship Service
Sunday, January 1 • 10 am
One combined Worship Service with no Sunday School and no childcare.

Children's Ministry sjmkids@gmail.com

TODAY
Kids Worship Service
Children are dismissed during 2nd Service. Please pick up your child in the Fellowship Hall after service.

WEDNESDAY
AWANA Clubs
6:30-8 pm
Thankful Night — bring a can of veggies for those in need.

Register online
www.stjohnmennonite.org
Kids are welcome to join at any time.

Volunteers Needed

Sunday School:
• 2 Yr. Old | Helper Every Other Month
• 4th/5th Grade | Helper

Awana:
• Subs

If you are able to serve in Children's Ministry, fill out a Connection Card or contact Rachel or Lindsay.

Sermon Notes

November 27, 2016

Matthew

Paul Perkins

Awkward Family Christmas *Matthew 1:1-16*

Sermon Notes

Memory Verse

"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted. Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth. Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied."
Matthew 5:3-6

CONNECTION CARD

NAME: _____

SPOUSE: _____

EMAIL: _____ PHONE: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

KID'S NAMES (AND AGES):

WEBSITE: www.stjohnmennonite.org
FACEBOOK: www.facebook.com/sjmchurch

Please drop this card in an offering bag,
or place it in the Main Office.

SEE OTHER SIDE 

QUESTIONS ABOUT YOUR NEXT STEP?

CHECK THE ONES THAT APPLY TO YOU:

- HOW DO I **FOLLOW CHRIST?**
- I'M NEW!** HOW CAN I LEARN MORE ABOUT ST. JOHN?
- I'D LIKE TO **SERVE** IN ONE OF THE MINISTRIES:
 - CHILDREN'S MINISTRY
 - YOUTH MINISTRY
 - WORSHIP MINISTRY
 - WELCOME MINISTRY

We will contact you using the info provided on the reverse side.

BAPTISM

I AM READY TO GO PUBLIC WITH MY FAITH

HOW CAN WE PRAY FOR YOU?

WRITE YOUR REQUEST IN THE SPACE BELOW