

# St. John Mennonite Church

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## Elders

Steve Dean, *Congregational Chair*  
 Kent Cherry, Randy Keeler, Tyler Macke, Paul Perkins, Neil Reichenbach, Joe Suter, Jason Yost

## Outreach Opportunity

### Habitat for Humanity ReStore Volunteer Opportunity

While we can use volunteers at any time, we have two current needs at the Lima Habitat for Humanity ReStore:

1. Once a month for 2-4 hours. This would involve 4-6 people organizing the showroom floor.
2. One time commitment for 2-4 hours. This would involve any number of people or even an ABF class to organize the back storage room.

Contact Mark Suderman, Volunteer Coordinator, at [mark@habitatlima.org](mailto:mark@habitatlima.org) or 419-230-5368.

## Focus for Prayer

Conrad Chaskel  
 Dale Inkrott

Jedd Emans  
 Autumn Sprunger

### This Week Please Remember Youth For Christ

Please be praying for our area Youth for Christ. As Don Leader (Findlay Executive Director) reports, five youth have come to know Christ. Please pray they continue to grow in Him. Also, pray for Stacey Gratz, recent new addition to the Findlay staff. Pray she can raise her support needed. As YFC staff are helping Jr. and Sr. High youth navigate through teen years, pray these youth will seek Christ, and grow deeper in their faith in Him.

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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.

## November 19, 2017

### Worship Service

Welcome & Greeting  
 Praise & Worship  
 Prayer  
 Offering  
 Message  
 Response  
 Sending

### Today

**Kids Worship**  
 11 am • Sr. High Room  
 (MP Room 420)

### TONIGHT

**Sr. High Small Groups**  
 At your group location

**Kids Christmas Choir Practice**  
 5:45—6:30 pm

### 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

### Office Administrator

Please welcome our Office Administrator, Marcia Phillips, who will begin working/training at St. John at the end of this month. Stop by the office when you get a chance and welcome Marcia as part of our Office staff!

### Meeting Results | November 12, 2017

All issues passed with high affirmation (2018 Budget, Deacon of Youth, Elder Affirmations).

### Nominations for At-Large Council Members

We are currently taking nominations for 2 at-large Members for Council for 2018. Nominations will be accepted through Sunday, December 3rd. Those nominated will be contacted and asked about their willingness to serve. You are asked to contact Pastor Paul, one of the current Elders, or the Office with your nomination.

Please pray for this process. If you desire to read more about at-large Council Member qualifications, these are listed in the St. John Constitution, Article VIII, Section 4. Thank you for prayerfully considering this.

### College Lunch

TODAY, lunch is served after second service at Steve & Joy Reichenbach's home (9655 Bixel Rd., Bluffton). If you are a college student, come on over!

### Minutes / Financials

For the most recent Council Minutes and Financial Report, see our website under Leadership/Church Leadership Team tab.

### Are You Looking For A Service Opportunity?

See the back page of the Bulletin under Outreach Opportunity for details.

**Youth Ministry** details at [www.stjohnmennonite.org](http://www.stjohnmennonite.org)

### NO Club2 • THIS Wednesday

Enjoy Thanksgiving break with your family! We will meet NEXT week.

### ►► Sr. High Christmas Formal • Sunday, December 3 • 6 pm ◀◀

On behalf of the Sr. High Leaders, we would like you to be our guests of honor at our **2017 Sr. High Christmas Celebration**. Join us for dinner and entertainment at the home of Mark & Julie Yoder (8180 Rockport Rd., Bluffton). RSVP by texting your full name to 419-236-9716.

### Sr. High Small Groups

PG Guys • Sundays • 7-8:30 pm • Luke Neuenschwander's  
Cory Rawson Guys • Sundays • 7-8:30 pm • Luke Neuenschwander's  
BHS Girls/Guys • Sundays • 7-9 pm • Yoder's  
PG Girls • Wednesdays • 7-8:30 pm • Angie Basinger's  
CG Guys • Thursdays • 3:15-4:15 pm

## This Week

### Monday, November 20

Worship Planners Meeting • 7 pm • Macke's

### Wednesday, November 22

Prayer On Wednesday • 7 pm • Conference Room

### Thursday & Friday, November 23 & 24

Office and Building closed for Thanksgiving Holiday

### Sunday, November 26

Regular Services  
Benevolent Offering

## Upcoming Events

### Primetimers Fellowship

Tuesday, December 5 • Noon • SJM Gym  
If you are age 55 and older, we would love you to join us for lunch, entertainment, and fellowship.

### Adult Christmas Choir

This year we are singing on Sunday, December 24 for the combined 10 am service (no 8:30 or 11 am service times). Rehearsals are as follows in the choir room:

- Monday, November 27 • 7 pm
- Monday, December 4 • 7 pm
- Tuesday, December 12 • 7 pm
- Tuesday, December 19 • 7 pm
- Sunday, December 24 • 8:45 am, Sanctuary

If you can make at least two practices, it is definitely worth taking the opportunity to lead worship with us Christmas Eve morning. If you are interested in singing, simply show up to a practice and be ready to worship! Questions? Contact Lauren Macke or Jim Oberhaus.

### Sunday, December 24

- 10 am Combined Service (No ABF)
- 8 pm Christmas Eve Service

**Children's Ministry** [sjmkids@gmail.com](mailto:sjmkids@gmail.com)

### Note

**NO AWANA  
THIS Wednesday Night  
Happy Thanksgiving!**

### THANK YOU!

A big thank you to all of you who filled shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child. **150 boxes** went out from St. John!

### Ministry Needs:

- Sunday School Helpers
- Sunday School Sub Teachers

**Kids Christmas Choir  
Singing in both services  
Sunday, December 3**

4 yr. old-6th Grade

Practice Dates/Times:

TONIGHT • 5:45-6:30 pm

Wednesday, Nov. 29 • 5:45-6:25 pm

# Sermon Notes

November 19, 2017  
Matthew  
Paul Perkins

Something Greater Is Here  
*Matthew 12:38-41*

# Sermon Notes

## CONNECTION CARD

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

SPOUSE: \_\_\_\_\_

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ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

KID'S NAMES (AND AGES):

**WEBSITE:** [www.stjohnmennonite.org](http://www.stjohnmennonite.org)  
**FACEBOOK:** [www.facebook.com/sjmchurch](http://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?  
\*How did you hear about SJM?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 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