

St John Church of Christ

March 20, 2022

Worship
Service

Premiers
Sunday at 11:00

Welcome to Worship!

We're glad you're here. Bible classes begin at 10:00. For kids, Pete & Penelope, our children's puppet program, is followed by songs and classes in the Fellowship Hall.

Our new adult class continues in the auditorium this morning! John is previewing the class he has been invited to teach in Singapore at the Sunset International Bible Institute (SIBI) next month. Join us at 10:00 A.M. for class. Worship follows at 11:00 A.M.

If you are unable to be with us in person, our worship is shared through our website:

www.StJohnChurchOfChrist.org

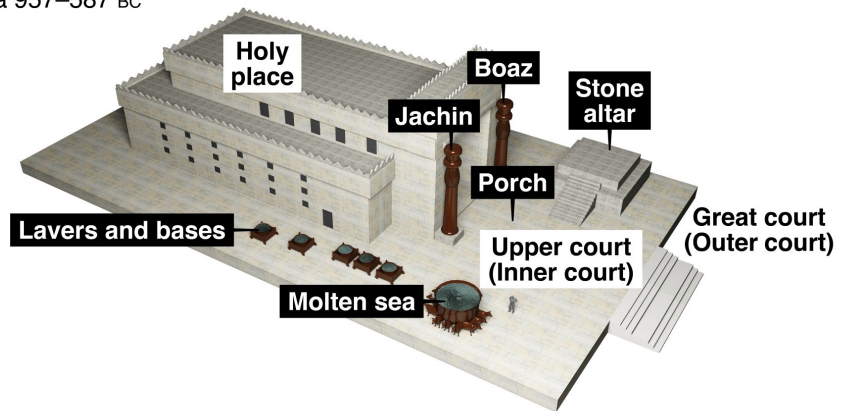
Simply select "Sermons" from the menubar at the top, or click this link to visit our page on YouTube:

[St. John Church of Christ](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCv0jYU0pYU0pYU0pYU0pYU0)

A Father's Prayer

Solomon's Temple

Circa 957–587 BC



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As David came to the end of his life, one of his dreams remained unfulfilled. He wanted to build a Temple for the Lord. That task would fall to Solomon, so David gave him a special charge that we can learn from (1 Chronicles 22:6 ff.)

“Now, my son, the Lord be with you, so that you may succeed in building the house of the Lord your God, as he has spoken concerning you. Only, may the Lord grant you discretion and understanding, that when he gives you charge over Israel, you may keep the law of the Lord your God. Then you will prosper if you are careful to observe the statutes and the rules that the Lord commanded Moses for Israel. Be strong and

courageous. Fear not; do not be dismayed” (1 Chronicles 22:11 - 13).

What an interesting prayer for a father to ask on behalf of his son: “May the Lord grant you discretion and understanding.” The Hebrew word translated as “discretion” means “prudence, good sense, insight, and understanding.” Solomon uses this word in Proverbs 19:11, “Good sense makes one slow to anger.” Abigail, one of David's wives, was commended for being “discerning and beautiful” (1 Samuel 25:3), and later Hiram praises Solomon for possessing those same qualities David had prayed for (2 Chronicles 2:11).

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Making good choices is not easy, but it does require what I call “dedicated intentionality.” That is, Christians, like Solomon, must make a conscious effort to go through life with both eyes wide open!



Bible Facts

The Bible contains 3,566,480 letters; 773,693 words; 3,102 verses; 1,189 chapters and 66 books.

The longest chapter is the 119th Psalm. The shortest and the middle chapter of the Bible is the 117th Psalm.

The middle verse of the Bible is the 8th verse of Psalm 118.

The Longest name is in the 8th chapter of Isaiah.

The word “and” occurs 46,227 times.

The word “Jehovah” (YHWH) occurs 6,855 times.

Two chapters are identical: Isaiah 37 and 2 Kings 19.

The longest verse in the Bible is Ester 8:9.

The shortest verse is John 11:35 (“Jesus wept”).

The 21st verse of Ezra 7 contains all the letters of the alphabet except the letter J.

The name of God does not appear in the book of Ester.



Work & Worship Weekend April 22 - April 24

Come join us at beautiful Silver Maple Camp for a weekend of work, worship and fellowship. Help us “wake up” camp and get it ready for summer camp sessions!

Bring the whole family! There will be jobs (and FUN!) for all ages, abilities and stamina levels. There will even be a fun SCAVENGER HUNT to help everyone explore the camp grounds!

We’ll meet at camp on Friday, April 22 at 7:00pm to tackle the first tasks of sweeping out the cabins and cleaning the bathhouses. After getting bedding settled in cabins, we’ll end the evening with snacks, fellowship and a campfire devotional.

We’ll wrap up the weekend Sunday morning with worship time and a noon meal together. All meals for the weekend will be provided (snacks only Friday evening).t

WHERE DO WE SIGN UP??!

www.silvermaplecamp.com

Registration is FREE, but donations will be accepted to help defray costs of meals.

Prayer Requests

Jerry has had a rough week. First his long awaited eye surgery was postponed due to surgical staffing problems, and then on Wednesday he was rushed to the hospital for an inflamed appendix! Please continue to pray for Jerry and Kay.

Don’t forget our homebound members:

Dena
Don Rujan
George and Shirley



Key Dates

Birthdays and Anniversaries

3/13: Misty Blakeslee Rudy

3/13: Gary Hornbaker

3/15: Joe Cornwell

3/16: Adam Holmes

3/20: Angel Johnson

3/20: Mara Feril

3/25: Lory Willinger

3/25: Kay Kinnamon

4/ 9: Hunter Marks

4/12: Dominic Rogers

4/13: Jayce Feril

4/15: Clint Kinnamon

4/15: Ned Marks

4/17: Fred Johnson

4/27: Tom Turner

St. John Jubilee: May 28

Vacation Bible

School

is coming!