



ST. PETER'S
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST



“FOR THE BREAD OF GOD IS THAT WHICH COMES DOWN FROM HEAVEN AND GIVES LIFE TO THE WORLD...JESUS SAID TO THEM, I AM THE BREAD OF LIFE.”

August 1, 2021

ORDER OF WORSHIP

**(Stand as you are able.)*

A TIME OF GATHERING AND WELCOME

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PRELUDE: “Prélude”, Theodore Dubois

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*CALL TO WORSHIP *(Stacy Gleason)*

Leader: Draw near to God, who has heard your complaining. Come in the name of Jesus, who understands your need.

**People: We have received manna in the wilderness.
We have been offered the bread of life.**

Leader: Open your selves to God's steadfast love.
Be honest before the Holy One who knows all you do.

**People: We are judged according to our deeds.
Our secret sins are known to our God.**

Leader: The Holy Spirit has come to restore your joy.
God's presence is real to those who accept
God's gift.

*HYMN OF PRAISE: #51 “*Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah*”

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THE MORNING PRAYER/INVOCATION *(Unison)*

We hear you calling us, loving God, to a life of humility, gentleness, and patience. Keep your call before us in this hour that we may recognize and celebrate our one-ness in Jesus Christ. May your Spirit unite us in the bond of peace. Speak to us of the Savior, who bore humanity's shame that we might learn to bear with one another in love. Draw us to a common faith, in spite of our differences. Lead us into new depths of trust beyond our knowing, and along new pathways of service out-distancing our fears. Amen.

GLORIA PATRI #623

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost, as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

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PSALTER LESSON: PSALM 51:1-12 *(Stacy Gleason)*

Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions.

Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin.

For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me.

Against you, you alone, have I sinned, and done what is evil in your sight, so that you are justified in your sentence and blameless when you pass judgment.

Indeed, I was born guilty, a sinner when my mother conceived me.

You desire truth in the inward being; therefore teach me wisdom in my secret heart.

Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean;
wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

Let me hear joy and gladness; let the bones that you have
crushed rejoice.

Hide your face from my sins, and blot out all my iniquities.
Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right
spirit within me.

Do not cast me away from your presence, and do not take
your holy spirit from me.

Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and sustain in me
a willing spirit.

HYMN OF PREPARATION: #398 "Fill My Cup, Lord"

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Pastoral Prayer The Lord's Prayer

A TIME OF LISTENING TO GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE READING: JOHN 6:24-35 (*Stacy Gleason*)

So, when the crowd saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus. When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, "Rabbi, when did you come here?" Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal."

Then they said to him, “What must we do to perform the works of God?” Jesus answered them, “This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent.” So they said to him, “What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, ‘He gave them bread from heaven to eat.’” Then Jesus said to them, “Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.” They said to him, “Sir, give us this bread always.” Jesus said to them, “I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.

A TIME TO PRAISE GOD WITH MUSIC

“All Good Gifts” Performed by Caroline Wolfe

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SCRIPTURAL REFLECTION: “BREAD OF LIFE”

A TIME OF GIVING

OFFERING INVITATION

OFFERTORY: “Panis Angelicus”, Caesar Franck

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*Doxology #625 unison prayer of dedication
praise God from whom all blessings flow;
praise God all creatures here below;
praise God above ye Heavenly host; **
praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*(**alternate: Creator, Christ and Spirit, One. Amen)*

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OFFERTORY PRAYER

A TIME TO RECEIVE HOLY COMMUNION

SHARING THE MEAL

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING *(Pastor Chris)*

A TIME OF GOING OUT

THE PEACE OF CHRIST

(We offer one another the peace of Christ for the week ahead.)

*HYMN SENDING FORTH #274 *“Break Thou the Bread of Life”*

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BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE: “Trumpet Tune”, Wayne L. Wold

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*“Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and
whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.”*



**Everyone is Welcome! Feel at home,
for Christ Jesus is our host.**

The Psalmist sings: *“Worship the Lord with gladness; come into God's presence with singing... thanksgiving... and praise.”*

We pray peace and joy to you, dear friend.

WORSHIP TEAM

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Good Shepherd Baptist Church Ministry

Good Shepherd is spear-heading a ministry/blessing opportunity to help provide school supplies to students of Powers Elementary (free to them!). They're asking for monetary donations (checks made out to GSBC), and/or volunteers (2 people). Each child will receive a supply bag, a craft, and a letter listing the churches that are helping. Please do not bring supplies, GSBC will purchase them. Please let the church office know if you are willing to volunteer in representing St. Peter's UCC. Give-A-Way is Aug. 15, so they need to know by Aug. 2. *Thank you for helping the children in our community!*



Operation Christmas Child

Time seems to gain speed as the year goes by. A new school year is about to begin and in less than five months it will be Christmas. Stores are having sales and the Hallmark Channel has completed its “Christmas in July” program. Not to be left behind, it is my pleasure to let you know that we are doing Operation Christmas Child again this year. It is being announced now, so you can take advantage of purchasing items as you find them. It is a wonderful way to give a child Christmas in a shoebox and share the birth of Jesus. I have ordered the boxes and informational pamphlets, so more information will be coming your way. Your response last year was amazing, and we hope to reach a goal of 50 shoeboxes this year. If you have any questions, please contact me at 440-984-3552.
Peace and Blessings! Linda Gatz

Used Inkjet Cartridges

Wow!!! Thanks so much for recycling your used inkjet cartridges! Our last shipment earned Christian Education \$174.75! If you have some to recycle, there is a box just outside the administrative office on the metal shelves. Again, thank you so much for thinking of Christian Education and the environment. *Jessie Kubuske, Director of Christian Education*

St. Peter’s Preschool Update

The Preschool parent night will be in the Sanctuary on Aug. 23 from 4:30-7:00 p.m. and the Preschool Open House will be on Wed., Aug. 25 from 4-7:30 p.m. in the Preschool wing.
Thank you! Wendy Kosakowski, St. Peter’s Preschool Director

“Backyard VBS” - *Totally Tubular!* REGISTER TODAY!

We will be heading back to the 80s this year with a “backyard VBS” where participants do the activities in their own backyard and/or home. Information on the parent portal for the videos, songs, and information will be sent to participants in early to mid July and supplies will be provided during a “drive up” at the portico in early July. Once adults register their children, they will receive further information and dates! Parents/grandparents/guardians can email the church at dir.ed@stpetersamherst.org or call the church office at **440-988-4965** and leave information for us to contact them including name and an email address.

Coffee Chats with Pastor Chris – Everyone Invited!

Everyone is invited to join together at Arabica’s, 254 Park Ave., Amherst, **every Wednesday** from **9-11:00 a.m.** This has been a great time for socializing with others, and getting to know Pastor Chris a little better! *We hope to see you on Wednesdays!*

New CDC Guidelines for Church

Council has made the decision to open slowly and carefully with precaution, guided by the CDC and the state of Ohio guidelines. Based on science and local Covid data we will make determinations on how to proceed while keeping our congregation safe.

Beginning June 27th, vaccinated people may enter the sanctuary without a mask; unvaccinated individuals are asked to continue to wear a mask. We will continue to social distance in the marked pews, with families allowed to sit together. Hymnals, pew cards, passing of the collection plate and communion may be reintroduced at a later date. *Please wear your mask if you want to sing aloud.* Elbow bump and the peace sign are acceptable forms of greeting; no hand shaking. We ask that you socialize outside in the parking lot. This is a fluid situation and may possibly change from week to week. Thanks to all of you for your continued patience.



**FOOD PANTRY – *If you can't feed
a hundred people, then feed just one.***

The Food Pantry is currently in the need of the following items:

Canned Meat (Tuna, Chicken)	Kleenex	Paper Towels
Canned Soup (Pop top lids)	Spaghetti Sauce	Pasta
Spaghetti-Os (Pop top lids)	Peanut Butter	Jelly
Mac & Cheese (Microwavable)	Oatmeal Cereal	

Please leave your donations in the drop of boxes at the church. *And*, as always thank you so much for your generosity in helping others!






June 13, 2021 - Outdoor Service

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St. Peter's is on YouTube!

Please be sure to visit our YouTube channel ~ **St Peters UCC Amherst** ~ and be sure to click the SUBSCRIBE button. Then share our channel with your friends! The more subscribers we have, the greater our visibility on YouTube and the more we share the good news! 

Sunday Morning Zoom Worship

For our Zoom worship you will join one another through a free video and audio conference application. Download the Zoom app to your smartphone, computer, or tablet and use the meeting login below:

Join from Zoom app:

Meeting ID: 524 411 3917 | Passcode: 379205

Join Zoom Meeting from computer:

<https://zoom.us/j/5244113917?pwd=aEJEcGhWUUh2dTV4eGJBSDZIUWgwdz09>

OR Call in with phone: 1 929 205 6099

Meeting ID: 524 411 3917 | Passcode: 379205



This Week's Events

- Mon., Aug. 2 Spiritual Life 1-4 PM
- Tue., Aug. 3 Bible Study 7 PM (Zoom)
- Wed., Aug. 4 Coffee Chats with Pastor Chris 9-11 AM
Arabica Coffee in Amherst
- Thurs., Aug. 5 Mainstreet Amherst 9 AM
Compassionate Care Meeting 10:30 AM Fireside
- Sun., Aug. 8 Sunday Worship Service (Communion) 10:00 AM

How To Reach Us

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