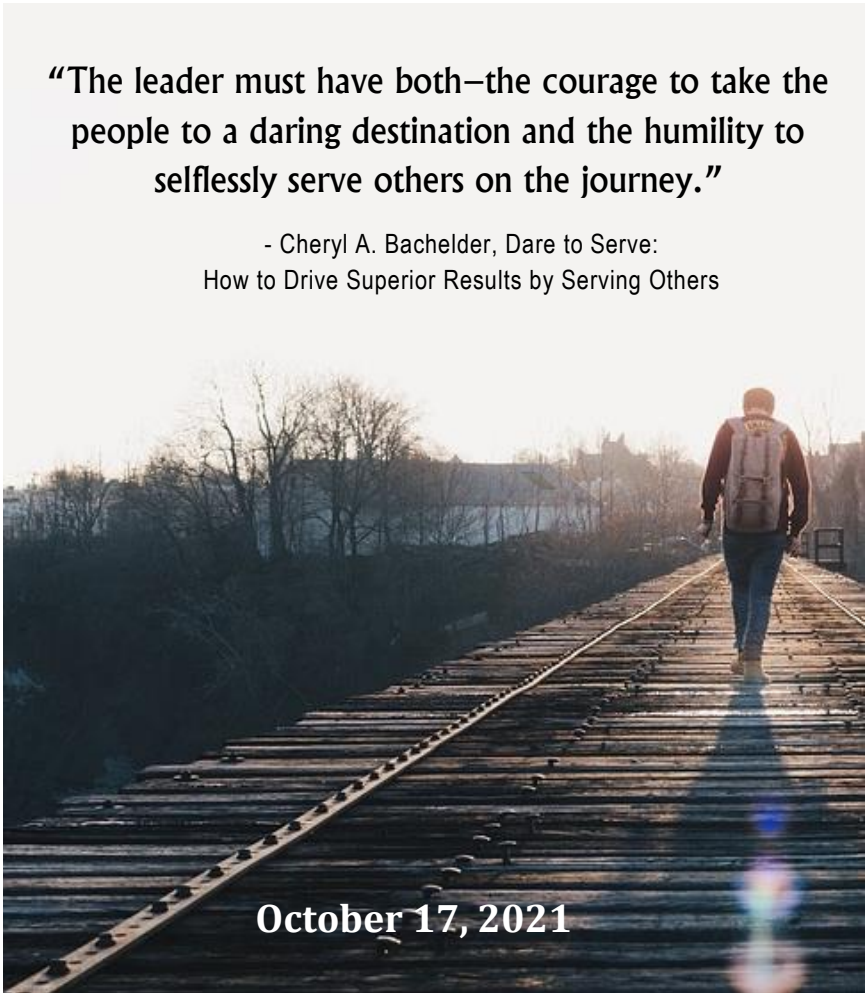




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“The leader must have both—the courage to take the people to a daring destination and the humility to selflessly serve others on the journey.”

- Cheryl A. Bachelder, Dare to Serve:
How to Drive Superior Results by Serving Others



October 17, 2021

ORDER OF WORSHIP

**(Stand as you are able.)*

GATHERING MUSIC

Greeting Announcements Birthdays Anniversaries

PRELUDE: "Berceuse", Frank Idle

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*CALL TO WORSHIP *(Shelley Harmych)*

Leader: Come, all who look for God with unseeing eyes.
Come, all who listen for God but hear nothing.

**People: Oh, that we knew where to find God!
We want to hear and understand God's Word.**

Leader: The word of God is living and active.
It pierces and judges and opens us to God's grace.

**People: We cannot hide from God who knows us.
God understands our thoughts and intentions.**

Leader: Leave everything to follow Jesus in this hour.
This is the time to embrace new ways.

**People: Here we set the patterns for everyday life.
Here we are strengthened for every day's challenges.**

*HYMN OF PRAISE: #560 *"For The Beauty of the Earth"*

***THE MORNING PRAYER/INVOCATION** *(Unison)*

We seek to gather as children of your realm, reigning God. This is the time and place of your dominion. We recognize that you, not we, prescribe the rules under which life can be rich and full and free. Help us in this hour to embrace the best we know. Open our thoughts and feelings so we may learn better ways. We approach you with boldness, daring to question and make requests, knowing that your grace and mercy exceed our wildest imagining, and your guidance is ever available to those who ask. 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.

A TIME TO PRAISE GOD WITH MUSIC

ANTHEM: "Come, Follow Me", Elly and Steve Kupferschmind

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THIRD GRADE BIBLE PRESENTATION

PSALTER LESSON: Psalm 104:1-9 *(Shelley Harmych)*


Bless the Lord, O my soul. O Lord my God, you are very great. You are clothed with honor and majesty, wrapped in light as with a garment. You stretch out the heavens like a tent,

you set the beams of your chambers on the waters, you make the clouds your chariot, you ride on the wings of the wind, you make the winds your messengers, fire and flame your ministers.

You set the earth on its foundations, so that it shall never be shaken. You cover it with the deep as with a garment; the waters stood above the mountains.

At your rebuke they flee; at the sound of your thunder they take to flight. They rose up to the mountains, ran down to the valleys to the place that you appointed for them.

You set a boundary that they may not pass, so that they might not again cover the earth.

GENEROSITY MOMENT: Sally Readinger 

HYMN OF PREPARATION: #4 “How Great Thou Art”

Pastoral Prayer The Lord’s Prayer

A TIME OF LISTENING TO GOD’S WORD

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON: MARK 10:35-45 (*Shelley Harmych*)

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to him and said to him, “Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you.” And he said to them, “What is it you want me to do for you?” And they said to him, “Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory.” But Jesus said to them, “You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?” They replied, “We are able.” Then Jesus said to them, “The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared.”

When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. So, Jesus called them and said to them, “You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many.”

SCRIPTURAL REFLECTION: “POWER GRAB”

A TIME OF GIVING

OFFERING INVITATION

OFFERTORY: “Children of the Heavenly Father, Dan Forrest

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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)*

OFFERTORY PRAYER

A TIME OF GOING OUT

THE PEACE OF CHRIST

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

*HYMN SENDING FORTH #345 “Blessed Assurance”

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE: “Epic Ode”, Ralph H. Bellairs

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Everyone is Welcome! Feel at home, for Christ Jesus is our host. If you are visiting for the first time, we are delighted to have you here!

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.

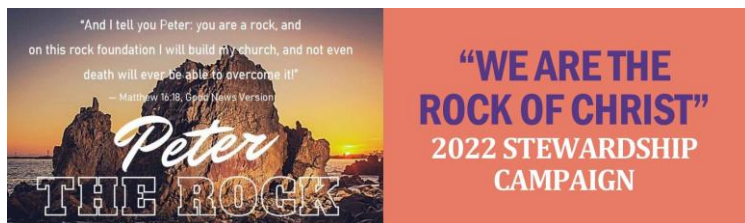
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Zoom Projector	Jennifer Wasilk
Organist/Choir Director	Daniel Jacky
Scripture Reader	Shelley Harmych
Ushers	Earl Wiegand & Sue Cherry



Wednesday Worship Service: Breeze Chapel

Please join us Wednesdays from 7-7:30 p.m. in person in St. Peter's Chapel. This 30 minute, intimate service is perfect if you can't make Sunday worship *or* if you need an inspiring pick-me-up in the middle of the week. Please enter by the door to the Chapel that faces the parking lot. *We look forward to seeing you!*



October is our 2022 Stewardship Campaign

Just a friendly reminder that Oct. 31 will be Consecration Sunday. Please mail your pledge card or drop it in the offering plate on or before Oct. 31. *Thank you!*

Pumpkin Rolls are Back!

Good news everyone—pumpkin rolls are back! Supply will be limited to 75 so get your orders in early. Order forms can be found in the bulletin, the office or you can call **Sally Readinger** at **440-222-3414** to place your order. Also, we are looking for volunteers to help us bake on November 4th and November 6th. You do not need to be a member—we could just use the extra help.

Update from Sunday School

Noisy collection for the months of September and October will go toward Thanksgiving dinners for needy families in the Amherst School system. We will also have baskets in the sanctuary for donations. Please donate the following:

Boxed mashed potatoes/Canned fruits/Applesauce
Cranberries/Canned vegetables especially pumpkin
Canned gravy/Boxed stuffing mix

Thank you! Jessie Kubuske, Director of Christian Education

The Amherst Historical Society Presents:

By My Lantern's Light, Cleveland Ave. Cemetery Walk

Oct. 23 & 24, tours begin at 4 PM and end at 6 PM. Advanced reservations are required. Call 440-988-9255 for reservations. Tours are \$5 per person, and children under 5 are free. Our very own Pastor Chris will be participating as Quigley!



FOOD PANTRY

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	

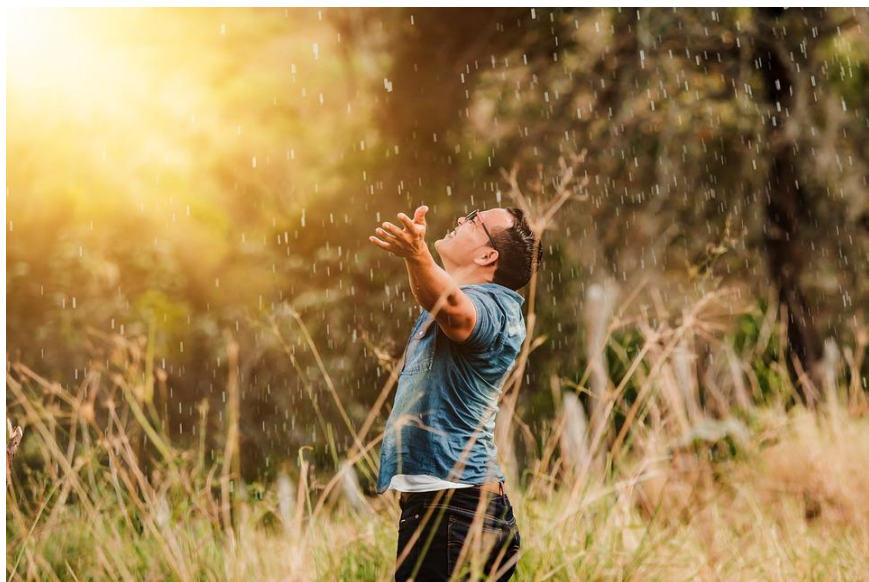
Please leave your donations in the drop of boxes at the church.

Thank you to Pam Miskov and for *your* generous donations!

Coffee  *Chats*
with PASTOR CHRIS

Meet the Pastor at Arabica's
254 Park Ave., Amherst
Every Wednesday from 9-11:00 a.m.

Everyone is welcome!



Friends of St. Peters,

You will notice some changes in the sanctuary this week—the blue tape and pew ropes are gone and hymnals and Bibles are back! As a precaution, masks are still encouraged, especially when you are in close proximity to another person. Hand sanitizer can be found in the pews. We want to continue to protect the vulnerable as we *care for us and care for others*.

As we begin to return to a more “normal” service, beginning in November we will no longer be emailing pdfs of the Sunday hymns with the bulletin. If you would like to continue to sing along on Zoom you can request a church hymnal to be delivered to you, or you can pick one up in the church office! However, you chose to obtain a copy, please take this opportunity to connect with and get to know Pastor Chris!

Looking forward to seeing you in person or Live on Zoom!

Mary-K Kirsch
Council President

Mark Your Calendar!

Please join us in celebrating the installation of Pastor Chris Buckingham-Taylor on Sunday, Nov. 7 with Delisa leading worship service. We are pleased to have Rev. Nayiri Karjian, Association General Minister, joining us.

We will also be commemorating All Saints Day, and Communion. We hope everyone will be able to attend this special day.



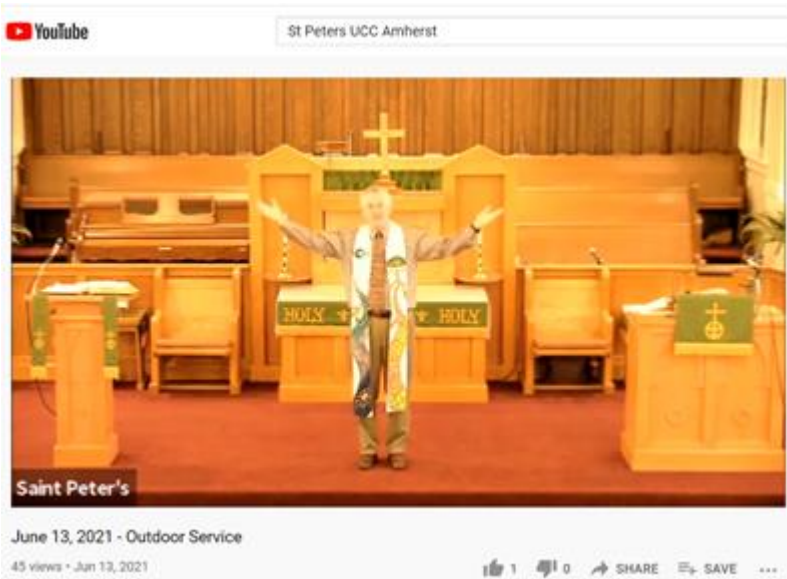
An Autumn Prayer

Abba, Father, the trees are ablaze with your glory.
The seasons change, but you never do.
You are always beautiful,
in the green and freshness of spring
as in the golds and reds and chills of autumn.
Make me like you.
Let my life reflect your beauty,
season after season,
as the calendar of my life turns and turns and turns.


The trees are letting go of this year's foliage.
Help me let go of both blessings and burdens,
and surrender them both to your loving care.

Fallen leaves pattern the ground with variety.
So design my own fallings and failings
into whatever design will please you most.
In Jesus' name, I pray,

Amen.



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

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| Mon., Oct. 18 | Council Meeting 7:00 PM Zoom
Spiritual Life 1-4:00 PM |
| Tue., Oct. 19 | Bible Study 7:00 PM Zoom |
| Wed., Oct. 20 | Coffee Chats with Pastor Chris 9-11:00 AM
Arabica Coffee in Amherst
Brownhelm Clergy Meeting, Fireside, 11:30 AM
Breeze Chapel 7:00 PM |
| Thurs., Oct. 21 | Choir 6:30 PM & Handbell Choir 7:30 PM |
| Sun., Oct. 24 | Sunday Worship Service 10:00 AM |

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