



ST. PETER'S
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

IF YOU HAD FAITH

the size of a mustard seed



YOU COULD SAY TO THIS MULBERRY
TREE, 'BE UPROOTED AND PLANTED IN
THE SEA,' AND IT WOULD OBEY YOU.

Oct. 2, 2022 | Worldwide Communion Sunday

ORDER OF WORSHIP

**(Stand as you are able.)*

GATHERING MUSIC

Greeting Announcements Birthdays Anniversaries

PRELUDE: "Prelude in E minor", J. S. Bach

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*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: God's mercies never end; they are new every morning.
We gather in gratitude, that our faith may increase.

**People: We will sing our songs of praise.
We will proclaim the good news of the gospel.**

Leader: Take delight in God, who is with us wherever we go.
Trust God, even when we do not feel like singing.

**People: We will commit all our ways to God.
We will wait patiently for answers to our prayers.**

Leader: By God's grace, we are gathered for worship.
In God's love, we are no longer exiles and strangers.

**People: We have been called together by the Holy Spirit.
We will treasure this special time in sacred space.**

*HYMN OF PRAISE: #1 *"Joyful, Joyful"*

*THE MORNING PRAYER/INVOCATION *(Unison)*

Make your presence known among us, O God, for the foundations of our lives are shaking. We grieve in loneliness amid the crowds. We huddle in fear because of the violence that surrounds us. Cities are ravaged, and rural areas are not safe. We are exiled from the homeland of our dreams. Draw us to yourself, gracious God, that we may experience your reign among us. Amen.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS: Tom & Joanne Janas

HYMN OF PREPARATION: #323 *"Let Us Break Bread Together"*

PASTORAL PRAYER THE LORD'S PRAYER

A TIME OF LISTENING TO GOD'S WORD

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON: Luke 17:5-10 #852

SPECIAL MUSIC by Handbell Choir: *"I Have Decided to Follow Jesus"*, ASSAM Indian Folk Melody, Arranged by Douglas E. Wagner

SPIRITUAL REFLECTION: "COL. MUSTARD AND GET A CLUE"

A TIME OF GIVING

OFFERING INVITATION

OFFERTORY MUSIC

*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 TO RECEIVE HOLY COMMUNION

SHARING THE MEAL

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

A TIME OF GOING OUT

THE PEACE OF CHRIST

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

*HYMN SENDING FORTH #285 *"In Christ There Is No East or West"*

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE: "Finale", G. F. Handel

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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.

WORSHIP TEAM

Senior Pastor	Pastor Chris Buckingham-Taylor
Organist	Allen Cadwallader
Zoom Director	Mary K. Kirsch
Worship Producer	Brian Schieferstein
Handbell Choir Director	Shelley Harmych
Scripture Reader	Penny Knepper
Ushers	Linda Gatz, Geoff Gatz, Betty Pekare, Judy McCurdy



Learning the Ukrainian language!

Peace and blessings = Myr i blahoslovennya

Church News

Join us for Breeze Chapel
Wednesdays, 7-7:30 PM at St. Peter's Chapel



“CROP HUNGER WALK”

Sunday, Oct. 9, 12:30 PM

Please join us to help end hunger!

MEET

Meet at United Church of Christ Congregational in Vermilion.

EAT

Start with a light lunch at 12:30 PM provided by UCC Congregational.

WALK

Take a short walk (1.8 m) to beach and back.

1. Get your pledge form from the church office.
2. Get sponsors/donations.
3. Turn in pledges/form to Tom Jewell the day of the walk.

25% of monies raised go directly to the Amherst Food Pantry at Good Shepherd Baptist. Let's have a good attendance of walkers to show that HUNGER MATTERS to St. Peter's!

Operation Christmas Child

Beginning this Sunday, you will see stories about Operation Christmas Child on the big screen before the service. We are hopeful that you will want to be part of this mission.

Shoeboxes and labels will be available after the service. Have fun packing a special Christmas box for a child who is less fortunate than we are. *Blessings & Prayers, Linda*

Amherst Manor is now asking if we have **books and puzzles** that anyone would like to donate? Please drop off at the church office. *Thank you, Beck Woods*



Meet the Pastor at Panera | 7560 Oak Point Rd., Amherst
Wednesday from 9-11:00 a.m. *Please stay tuned.*



Good Shepherd Baptist Food Pantry has started the Weekend Children's Backpack Program (with #s doubling last year). We cannot let any child go hungry if it is in our power. Following are some suggestions that would be very helpful with this great need:

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| Single Serving PB & Jelly * | Peanut Butter Crackers | Small Bag Chips |
| Canned Soup (Pop top lids) | Individual Cereals | Small Bag Pretzels |
| Spaghetti-Os (Pop top lids) | Granola Bars | Fruit Cups |
| Mac & Cheese (Microwavable) | Oatmeal Packages | Jello Cups |

We will also still collect 'regular food items' for families in addition to the Backpack Program. Please leave your donations in the drop off boxes at the church. Pam Miskov will ensure that all items are transported to Good Shepherd Baptist Food Bank.

Thank you to everyone who continually donates on behalf of St. Peter's! You are all ROCKSTARS of generosity!

Circle Six Meeting

Circle Six's next meeting will be Tuesday, October 4 at 6:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. We will be working on our blanket project. Please bring your own dinner and beverage. I look forward to seeing everyone! *Thank you, Sally*



World Communion Sunday

Every year on the first Sunday in October, on October 2 this year, Christians around the globe celebrate World Communion Sunday. It is a day to remember that Jesus Christ is the Head of the Church and that every Christian Church and any denomination that promotes Christian unity are one.

Neighbors in Need Annual Offering

This offering supports ministries of justice and compassion throughout the United States, including the Council for American Indian Ministries (CAIM), justice and advocacy efforts, and direct service projects funded by UCC's Justice and Witness Ministries.

Please take a moment to fill out the yellow Participation cards and drop into the offering plate. *Participation cards should be filled out weekly.* Thank you!

Join us LIVE on **Facebook: St. Peter's UCC Amherst, OH**

Zoom: Meeting ID: 524 411 3917 | Passcode: 379205

(or call in with phone: 1 929 205 6099)

The service will be posted at a later date to view on our

YouTube channel: St Peters UCC Amherst

What's Happening

This Week's Events

- Mon., Oct. 3 Spiritual Life visitations 1-4 PM
- Tues., Oct. 4 Bible Study 7 PM Zoom
- Wed., Oct. 5 Yoga with Mary-K 8:30-9:45 AM
Coffee Chats with Pastor Chris, Panera 9-11 AM
Breeze Chapel 7 PM
- Thurs., Oct. 6 Compassionate Care, Fireside, 10:30 AM
Handbells Choir 7 PM
- Sat., Oct. 8 Pet Blessing 10-11 AM
Jean Marsh 90th Birthday Celebration, Fellowship Hall
Rental from 12:00-4:00 PM-please stop by
- Sun., Oct. 9 Worship Service 10 AM
Boy Scouts Court of Honor, Fellowship Hall, noon
Crop Hunger Walk, lunch starts at 12:30 PM
at the Congregational UCC in Vermilion

How To Reach Us

Office Hours: Mon.–Fri. 8:30-12:30 PM and 1-2:30 PM
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to make your donation electronically via Breeze or Paypal.

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