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UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said,

“THIS IS MY SON,
MY CHOSEN;
LISTEN TO HIM!”

February 27, 2022

ORDER OF WORSHIP

**(Stand as you are able.)*

GATHERING MUSIC

Greeting Announcements Birthdays Anniversaries

PRELUDE: "Improvisation on 'Crucifer,'" Daniel Jacky

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*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: The Word goes forth from the mouth of God.
Mountains and plains break into singing.

People: **It is good to give thanks to God.**
We will join in songs of gladness and praise.

Leader: Rain and snow water the earth.
Life is renewed, and people are fed.

People: **We rejoice in God's abiding faithfulness.**
Let all people declare God's steadfast love.

Leader: Signs of God's presence are all around us.
God's purposes will be accomplished among us.

People: **We will flourish like fruitful trees.**
Our work gains meaning as God strengthens us.

*HYMN OF PRAISE: #88 "*Fairest Lord Jesus*"

*THE MORNING PRAYER/INVOCATION *(Unison)*

Before the mystery of your grace and the promise of immortality, we open ourselves to your light and leading, O holy God. In your courts, we are renewed. Our limitations are transcended. Our presumptions are modified. The foundations of our lives are rebuilt. Meet us here, that your work may prosper among us and through us. Fill our lives with the joy and peace that you alone can give. 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.

HYMN OF PREPARATION: #441 *“Take Time to Be Holy”*

Pastoral Prayer The Lord’s Prayer

A TIME OF LISTENING TO GOD’S WORD

HEBREW LESSON: EXODUS 34:29-35 #71-72

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON: LUKE 9:28-36 #843

SPIRITUAL REFLECTION: “A NEW LIGHT”

A TIME OF GIVING

OFFERING INVITATION

OFFERTORY: “Elevation”, Theodore Dubois

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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 #373 *“Where He Leads Me”*

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE: "Guide Me O Thou Great Jehovah", Douglas E. Wagner

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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

Zoom Director

Worship Producer

Handbell Choir Director

Organist/Choir Director

Scripture Reader

Ushers

Pastor Chris Buckingham-Taylor

Mary K. Kirsch

Brian Schieferstein

Shelley Harmych

Daniel Jacky

Don Ramsey

Gary Thompson, Geoff Gatz,

Linda Gatz, Christine Burman

Church News

Ash Wednesday Service

Ash Wednesday Service will be this Wed., March 2 at 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary, complete with the imposition of ashes to begin our season of Lent. As part of our Lenten journey this year, there will be a five-part sermon series based on Rev. Robert

Schnase, Cultivating Fruitfulness, Five Weeks of Prayer and Practice for Congregations, starting next Sunday.

Stewardship Cards and Participation Cards

The yellow Participation cards and the orange Stewardship Pledge cards are now placed by the bulletins and also in the pews. Please take a moment to fill out and drop into the offering plate. *Participation cards should be filled out weekly.* Thank you.



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



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

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| 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!

Birthdays this week!

June Nau - March 01
Susan Cherry - March 03

The March Key will be sent out tomorrow. Make sure you don't miss all the great things going on at St. Peter's. *You are all amazing!* If the spirit moves you, share it with your friends and family.



In-Person Worship Covid Protocol

Welcome back to in-person service! As we enjoy the fellowship of each other, continue to be mindful of the health needs of others. We suggest that everyone continue to sit within your “personal bubbles” and *wear a mask* when you are in close proximity to those who do not share your bubble.

Thank you for your patience as we pray for the steady decline of Covid and the return to “normal” activities!!

Mary-K Kirsch, Council President

Just for Fun Days


March 1 is Mardi Gras (aka “Fat Tuesday” or Shrove Tuesday), which is the final feasting day before Ash Wednesday.

March 8 is International Women’s Day which celebrates the achievements of women and women’s rights.

March 13 is the start of Daylight Saving Time, which begins at 2:00 A.M. that day. If your area observes it, don’t forget to “*spring forward*” and set the clocks one hour ahead, or you may find yourself an hour late to everything!

March 17 is St. Patrick’s Day. According to folklore, folks wear a shamrock on St. Patrick’s Day because the saint used its three leaves to explain the Trinity.

March 20 brings about the March equinox—also called the vernal or spring equinox in the Northern Hemisphere—marking the beginning of spring.



March 13 is the start of Daylight Saving Time.
Remember to set your clocks ahead 1 hour.

“For as the earth brings forth its sprouts, and as a garden causes what is sown in it to sprout up, so the Lord God will cause righteousness and praise to sprout up before all the nations.”

ISAIAH 61:11

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



This Week's Events

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| Mon., Feb. 28 | Spiritual Life No Visitations
Craft Club 6:30 PM |
| Tue., Mar. 1 | Circle Six 6 PM
Bible Study 7:00 PM Zoom |
| Wed., Mar. 2 | Coffee Chats with Pastor Chris Arabica's 9-11 AM
Ash Wednesday in the Sanctuary 7:00 PM |
| Thurs., Mar. 3 | Compassionate Care 10:30 AM
Girl Scouts 5:30-7:00 PM
Choir Practice 6:30 PM |
| Sun., Mar. 6 | Worship Service + Communion 10:00 AM |

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Office Hours: Mon.–Fri. 8:30-12:30 PM and 1-2:30 PM
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