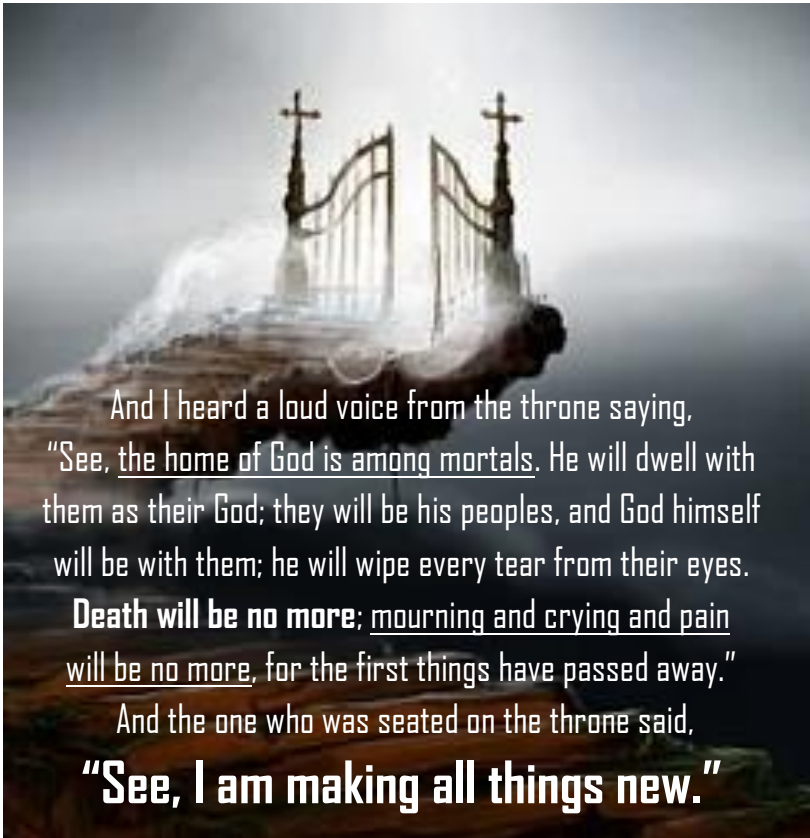




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And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,  
“See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them as their God; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; he will wipe every tear from their eyes.

**Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away.”**

And the one who was seated on the throne said,

**“See, I am making all things new.”**

**May 15, 2022 | Fifth Sunday of Easter**

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# ORDER OF WORSHIP

*\*(Stand as you are able.)*

## GATHERING MUSIC

*Greeting      Announcements      Birthdays      Anniversaries*

PRELUDE: "Prélude modal", Jean Langlais

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### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader:      Come to praise God, all you faithful people!  
                 Come, for God welcomes you and offers to draw close.

**People:      Praise to God, who rules over all the earth.  
                 Praise to God, who is as near as our next breath.**

Leader:      Sun and moon and stars shine in praise to God.  
                 God created them and established for each a place.

**People:      God has a place for us in this world;  
                 we have come that God may instruct and equip us.**

Leader:      Mountains and hills, trees and animals praise God.  
                 Let all the rulers of the earth do so as well.

**People:      God provides abundantly for our needs.  
                 God makes of one family all who dwell on earth.**

\*HYMN OF PRAISE: #34 *"The God of Abraham Praise"*

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

We praise you, O God, and celebrate your presence with us.  
Your glory fills all heaven and earth, all time and space. You  
are our Good Shepherd—we are your sheep. Your gifts surround  
us and dwell within us. Come to wipe away our tears and  
comfort us in our distress. Come to heal our divisions and  
overcome our prejudices. Come, that we might be loved into  
discipleship. 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: #42 *"Seek Ye First"*

**PASTORAL PRAYER THE LORD'S PRAYER**

## **A TIME OF LISTENING TO GOD'S WORD**

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: #1007 GENESIS 3:1-19

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON: #1007 REV. 20:11-15, 21:1-8

SPIRITUAL REFLECTION: "BETWEEN TWO TREES"

## **A TIME OF GIVING**

OFFERING INVITATION

OFFERTORY: "Melody", Alexandre Guilmant

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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 #554 *"I'll Fly Away"*

## BENEDICTION

### POSTLUDE: "Toccatina in E Minor", Johann Pachelbel

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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

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Daniel Jacky

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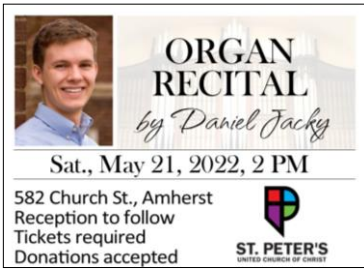
Geoff Gatz, Linda Gatz

# Church News

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## Wednesday Worship Service: Breeze Chapel

Wednesdays from 7-7:30 p.m. in person in St. Peter's Chapel. If you can't make our Sunday worship *or* if you need an inspiring pick-me-up, come for a 30-minute intimate service. Please enter by the door to the Chapel that faces the parking lot.



**ORGAN RECITAL**  
by Daniel Jacky

Sat., May 21, 2022, 2 PM

582 Church St., Amherst  
Reception to follow  
Tickets required  
Donations accepted

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Just a reminder to get your tickets from Linda or Kaye. We hope everyone can attend!

## Organ Recital Reception - Call for Help!

We are excited for Daniel’s Concert Recital on Sat., May 22 at 2:00 PM. If anyone can help, we’re asking for donations of “finger food” (cookies, crackers/cheese, chips, nuts, veggie plate, etc.) for the reception. Please have your donations at the church either Friday between 8:30-2:30 PM or Sat., May 21 by 10:00 AM. Any questions, please call **Linda Gatz** at **(440) 984-3552**. *Your help is very much appreciated!*



**Thank you** to everyone who *continually* donates items to the food bank. It is greatly appreciated by St. Peter’s church, and those receiving help! And, a big thank you to **Pam Miskov** for taking the time to ensure all the items are transported to Good Shepherd Food Pantry. There currently is a need for the items below:

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|----------------------------|--------------|-----------------|
| Canned Soup (pop top lids) | Pasta        | Spaghetti Sauce |
| Peanut Butter, Jelly       | Mac & Cheese | Oatmeal         |
| Cereal                     | Toilet Paper | Paper Towels    |

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

## 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.

## Circle Six Meeting

The next Circle Six meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 7 at 6:00 p.m. **We will be cruising on the Mystic Belle.**



The cost is \$10.00 per person and Circle Six will pay \$5.00 of the cost for Circle Six members. Please bring a covered dish to share, as well as your own place setting and beverage.

The Mystic Belle has a **passenger limit of 22**, so if you plan on going please **RSVP** to me by either calling or texting me at **(440) 222-3414 ASAP**.

*Thank you, Sally Readinger, President*

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## Vacation Bible School 2022

We are in need of donations for VBS (before June 17). Any of the following would be greatly appreciated:

rolled or quick oats	peanut butter
chocolate chips	white bread
cheese slices	turkey or ham slices
dry cereal, like rice chex	m and ms
5 canisters of Kool-Aid any flavor	raisins, goldfish
1 package of lunch bags (brown paper)	



There will be a basket outside the administrative office for donations. Thank you!

Also, if you know of a current 6th or 7th grader (or older) that would like to enroll in **Confirmation Class for next year**, please let Jessie Kubuske know (call the church office or email: [dir.ed@stptersamherst.org](mailto:dir.ed@stptersamherst.org)) We have not yet settled on a time, but it will be every Sunday through the school year.

Jessie Kubuske, Director of Christian Education



## Summer Air Conditioning

As we continue to monitor and reduce our costs and expenses in an effort to be good stewards of the church finances, the AC will be used “as needed” for humidity control and, when used, will be kept at modest temperatures. On cooler days the windows will be opened to enable God's fresh air to keep us comfortable! Thank you for your support in helping us to **keep St. Peter's budget in the green.**

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## Vacation Reminder

This is just to let everyone know that Pastor Chris will be starting his vacation after worship on May 22 and will return on June 5. As stated in *The Key*, our guest minister will be the Rev. Kathryn Ketchum. I hope you all will enjoy the service as much as I have enjoyed Kathy! She served my church, Community of Faith UCC for 5 ½ years, before retiring in July 2021. -Kaye

Please note that Kaye will be taking 2 vacation days next week, **Monday, May 16** and **Tuesday, May 17**. Pastor Chris will be at the church if you need to reach out to him. Preschool will take care of the doors for parents. She will return your call or emails when she gets back on Wednesday.

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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., May 16	Kaye vacation day
Tue., May 17	Kaye vacation day Bible Study 7:00 PM Zoom
Wed., May 18	Coffee Chats with Pastor Chris Arabica's 9-11 AM Yoga with Mary-K 8:30-9:45 AM Breeze Chapel 7:00 PM
Thurs., May 19	Choir 6:30 PM & Handbell Choir 7:30 PM
<b>Sat., May 21</b>	<b>Organ Recital by Daniel Jacky 2:00 PM</b>
Sun., May 22	Worship Service 10:00 AM <i>(Pastor Chris will start vacation after worship)</i>

## How To Reach Us

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