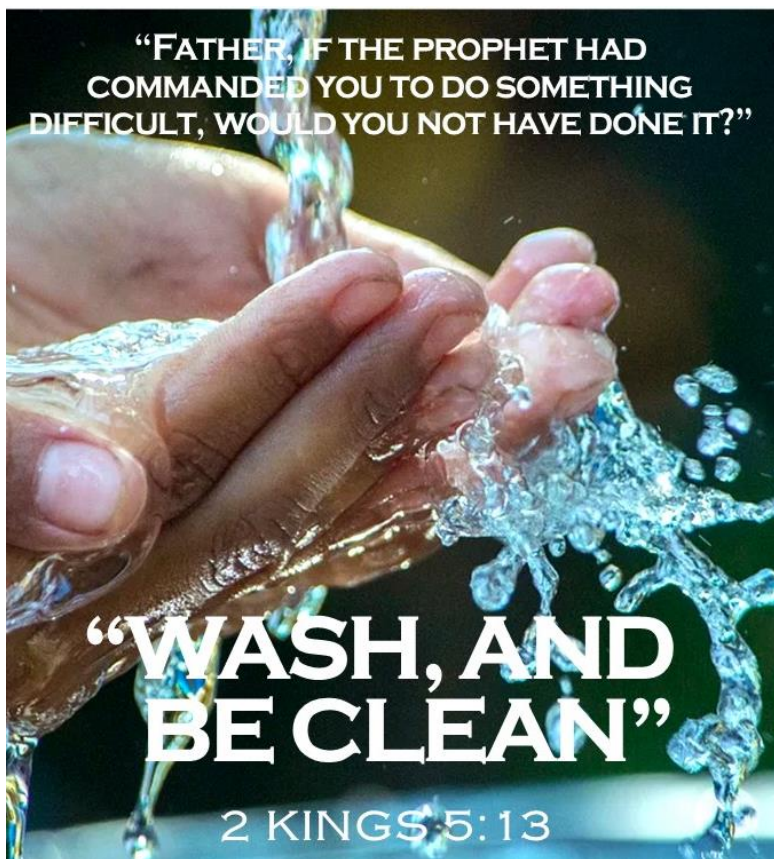




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**“FATHER, IF THE PROPHET HAD  
COMMANDED YOU TO DO SOMETHING  
DIFFICULT, WOULD YOU NOT HAVE DONE IT?”**

**“WASH, AND  
BE CLEAN”**

**2 KINGS 5:13**

**July 3, 2022 | Fourth Sunday after Pentecost**

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# ORDER OF WORSHIP

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

## GATHERING MUSIC

*Greeting      Announcements      Birthdays      Anniversaries*

PRELUDE: "Purple Mountain Majesties", Dennis Eliot

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### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

**Leader:**      The realm of God has come near.  
Enter this time of worship with joyous expectation.

**People:**      **We will extol you, O God, for you have drawn us up.  
You rescued us from the pit and restored us to life.**

**Leader:**      Sing praises to God, all faithful ones.  
Give thanks to God's holy name.

**People:**      **We have known your favor, O God, in many ways.  
You have healed us and turned our mourning  
to dancing.**

**Leader:**      Rejoice in the work you are given to do.  
Give thanks that your names are known to God.

**People:**      We will praise you, O God, and not be silent.  
We will give thanks to you forever.

\*HYMN OF PRAISE: #572 *"America, the Beautiful"*

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

Gracious God, our helper, we greet you this morning with joy and thanksgiving. We feel your welcome and anticipate your teaching. Show us this day what you would have us do. Whether it be great or small, we want to do what you command. Let our

ears be attentive to your Word, and our hearts be responsive to the opportunities you grant us to bear one another's burdens in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

HYMN OF PREPARATION: #575 *"Eternal Father, Strong to Save"*

**PASTORAL PRAYER    THE LORD'S PRAYER**

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

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: 2 Kings 5:1-14

SPIRITUAL REFLECTION: "A TIME FOR HEALING"

## **A TIME OF GIVING**

OFFERING INVITATION

OFFERTORY: "Lobe Den Herren", Max Reger

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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 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 #571 *“My Country, ‘Tis of Thee”*

## BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE: *“God Bless Our Native Land”*, Daniel Jacky

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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  
Scripture Reader  
Ushers

Pastor Chris Buckingham-Taylor  
Mary K. Kirsch  
Brian Schieferstein  
Shelley Harmych  
Mary-K Kirsch  
Gary Thompson, Sharon Thompson,  
Judy McCurdy, Earl Wiegand

Great time had by all at Brownhelm's joint worship service!



**Let's Start to Learn the Ukrainian language!**

**Bud' laska = You're welcome**

# Church News

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## **CONFIRMATION CLASS**

If you have or 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.

Thank you, Jessie Kubuske, Director of Christian Education

## **Join us for Breeze Chapel! Wednesday Worship Service 7-7:30 PM at 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.

## **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.

# FOOD PANTRY

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:

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.



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

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## It's Summertime & That Means **OUTDOOR WORSHIP!**

Chairs will be set up outside in the front lawn for the outdoor worship services, but please feel free to bring your own chair, if that would be more comfortable for you. The following Sundays will be outdoor worship, weather permitting. We hope everyone can make it!

July 17 | August 21 | September 18 | October 16



## **OFFICE UPDATE**

Please note that the office will be closed on Monday, July 4th in observance of Independence Day. I will also be taking the rest of the week off for vacation. Pastor Chris will be out of the office Tuesday, July 5<sup>th</sup>. Christine Burman will be in the office to assist you Tuesday -Thursday checking messages. If you need anything, please contact the office and Christine will be happy to help!

***Many thanks Christine!***

Sincerely, Kaye Oswald

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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**

# What's Happening

## This Week's Events

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Mon., July 4	Independence Day Office Closed
Tues., July 5	<b>No Bible Study this week</b>
Wed., July 6	Yoga with Mary-K 8:30-9:45 AM Coffee Chats with Pastor Chris, Arabica's 9-11 AM Breeze Chapel 7 PM
Thurs., July 7	Compassionate Care 10:30 AM Fireside Room
Sun., July 10	Worship Service 10:00 AM

## How To Reach Us

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