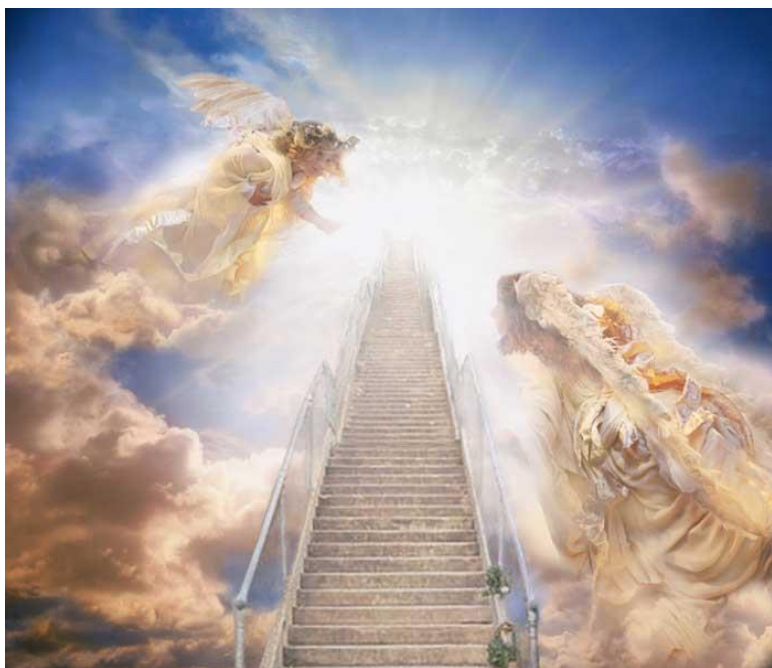




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If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore, God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed,

**HE HAS PREPARED  
A CITY FOR THEM.**

**August 7, 2022 | Ninth Sunday after Pentecost**

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# ORDER OF WORSHIP

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

## GATHERING MUSIC

*Greeting      Announcements      Birthdays      Anniversaries*

PRELUDE: “Jesus, We Are Here”, J.S. Bach

“Bach-Gesellschaft Ausgabe, Band 40 (pp. 77)” published in 1893 by Leipzig: Brietkopf und Härtel. Used by/with permission, CCLI No. 20182679 streaming.

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader:      Gather before God, people of the covenant.  
Listen for God’s Word, O faithful ones.

**People:      God has summoned us to this place.  
We believe God will speak to us here.**

Leader:      Come to honor God and give thanks.  
Seek to learn and follow in God’s way.

**People:      We come as willing and obedient servants.  
Let your steadfast love, O God, be upon us.**

Leader:      God calls us as workers for justice.  
God sends us out as advocates for the dispossessed.

**People:      We are here to be equipped for ministry.  
We expect to be empowered for our service.**

\*HYMN OF PRAISE: #279 *“Faith of Our Fathers”*

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

For the rich heritage we have received from your hand, we are grateful, O God. You have fashioned our hearts and observed our deeds. Now we come together, awaiting further instructions from your Word. Teach us here what we need to know in order to live faithfully in this troubled world. Lead us beyond the routines of worship to a genuine, life-changing encounter with you. Amen.

HYMN OF PREPARATION: #410 *“My Faith Looks Up to Thee”*

**PASTORAL PRAYER THE LORD’S PRAYER**

**A TIME OF LISTENING TO GOD’S WORD**

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16

SPIRITUAL REFLECTION: *“HOPE CHEST FAITH”*

**A TIME OF GIVING**

OFFERING INVITATION

OFFERTORY: *“Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice”*, J.S. Bach

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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 #281 *“We are One in the Bond of Love”*

BENEDICTION

## POSTLUDE: "Prelude and Fugue in G Major", J.F. Fischer

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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
Zoom Director	Mary K. Kirsch
Worship Producer	Brian Schieferstein
Handbell Choir Director	Shelley Harmych
Scripture Reader	Diane Barnum
Ushers	Judy McCurdy, Betty Pekare, Geoff Gatz, Linda Gatz



### Let's Learn to Count in Ukrainian!

1 = odin      2 = dva      3 = tri

## Church News

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### There's going to be a Wedding at St. Peter's!

Saturday, August 13<sup>th</sup> Meghan Stursa & Shane Barnovsky will be married in the Sanctuary! Meghan's family were members at St. Peter's for over a decade. She used to play piano for services, usually during the offertory or communion. Her Dad played the

saxophone, and they did a few songs together during some Christmas Eve services. She is so grateful to have had those opportunities to make music in a place she loved so much. Meghan and her sister spent every summer at VBS, and they both attended St. Peter's Preschool. They also both participated in the Genesis children's choir. *Congratulations and best wishes to the Newlyweds!*

## **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

## *Five Practices of Fruitful Congregations* **Radical Hospitality, 3-part Study**

We will begin our 3-part Study on Radical Hospitality, starting next week August 14<sup>th</sup>, and 28<sup>th</sup>, then finishing up on September 11<sup>th</sup>. Each session will begin after our worship service and conclude by noon. We will meet in the Fellowship Hall with beverage and bagels. **Contact the church office to sign up.** *We look forward to sharing this valuable study.*

## **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.

# Flowers on the Altar

Just a reminder, if you'd like to sign up for flowers on the altar, the green binder is in the back of the church behind the pews on the table on the left. Every Sunday is available, except the Communion Sunday. Thank you!

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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.

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

Chairs will be set up outside in the front lawn for all of our outdoor worship services, but please feel free to bring your own chair, if that would be more comfortable for you. Here are the next services, weather permitting!

August 21 | September 18 | October 16



## **NEW! Men's Fellowship Breakfast**

**Starting in September**, St. Peter's, Brownhelm, and Vermilion UCC's men are invited to join a new monthly event. We will meet at the Nest Restaurant at

3701 Liberty Ave, in Vermilion. We hope you can join us!

*More information coming on the day, and time.*

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## **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

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

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., Aug. 8 Spiritual Life visitations 1-4 PM  
Tues., Aug. 9 Bible Study 7 PM Zoom  
Wed., Aug. 10 Yoga with Mary-K 8:30-9:45 AM  
Coffee Chats with Pastor Chris, Arabica's 9-11 AM  
Breeze Chapel 7 PM  
Thurs., Aug. 11 Trustees Meeting 6 PM  
**Fri., Aug. 12 Stursa Wedding Rehearsal 5 PM**  
**Sat., Aug. 13 Stursa Wedding 2 PM**  
Sun., August 14 Worship Service 10 AM  
"Radical Hospitality" 11AM-Noon

## 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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