



ST. PETER'S
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST



BORN IDENTITY

“Perhaps this is the reason he was separated from you for a while, so that you might have him back forever, no longer as a slave but more than a slave, a beloved brother—especially to me but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord.”

Sept. 4, 2022 | Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

ORDER OF WORSHIP

**(Stand as you are able.)*

GATHERING MUSIC

Greeting Announcements Birthdays Anniversaries

PRELUDE: “Prelude in C”, Bach

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*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Hear the choices God sets before us:
 life and prosperity or death and adversity.

**People: O God, you have searched us and known us.
 You know our thoughts and every move we make.**

Leader: Listen to the ordinances of our God;
 love God and walk in the way God commands.

**People: O God, we will listen for your words.
 We will seek to walk on the paths you intend.**

Leader: Happy are those who delight in God’s law;
 blessed are all who meditate on God’s Word.

**People: Wonderful are all your works, O God.
 We are your creation; we are in your hands.**

*HYMN OF PRAISE: #51 *“Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah”*

*THE MORNING PRAYER/INVOCATION *(Unison)*

Like a skilled potter, O God, you have shaped each one of us as a unique design. You know us better than we know ourselves. You value us more highly than we can imagine. You weep when we are marred or broken through our own misdeeds or the world’s cruelty. We gather now to assemble our prayers for one another

and all the world's people in a chorus of devotion. Hear us, gracious God. Amen.

HYMN OF PREPARATION: #268 *"O Word of God Incarnate"*

PASTORAL PRAYER THE LORD'S PRAYER

A TIME OF LISTENING TO GOD'S WORD

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON: Philemon 1:1-21 #970

SPIRITUAL REFLECTION: "BORN IDENTITY"

A TIME OF GIVING

OFFERING INVITATION

OFFERTORY MUSIC

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 #323 *"Let Us Break Bread Together"*

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE: "Psalm XIX, Marcello

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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	Vicki Zeller
Ushers	Gary Thompson, Sharon Thompson, Betty Pekare, Fred Helyes



Let's Learn to Count in Ukrainian!

Have a great day! = Harnoho dnya!

Church News

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

Next week, Sept. 11 will be the 2nd study on Radical Hospitality after worship. Same as before, we'll meet in the Fellowship Hall for beverage and bagels. The 3rd in the series will be Sept. 25. Please call or email to sign up. *We hope you can join us!*



Circle Six Meeting | Beaver Creek Reservation

Circle Six will hold its next meeting and picnic on Tuesday, September 6 at 6:00 PM at Beaver Creek Reservation. Please bring a dish to share and bring a guest. There will be no program – just good food, conversation and fun!

Thank you, Sally Readinger, President



NEW! Men's Fellowship Breakfast

Our Men's Fellowship is joining together with the men of Brownhelm Congregational Church to meet on the second Thursday of the month, beginning this September on

September 8th at 9 a.m. at the **Nest Restaurant in Vermilion, Ohio**. We will meet for an hour- which will include breakfast (at your choosing) prayer and a short devotional, all of which should conclude by 10 a.m. We are looking forward to where this ministry will lead us in faith. *Contact Pastor Chris for more information.*

Confirmation Class

If you have or know of a current 7th or 8th grader (or older) that would like to enroll in Confirmation Class this year, please let Jessie Kubuske know (call the church office or email: dir.ed@stpetersamherst.org) We have not yet settled on a time, but for now it looks to be one evening every week. Thank you, Jessie Kubuske, Director of Christian Education



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! A big thank you to **Pam Miskov** for taking the time to ensure all the items are transported EACH MONTH to Good Shepherd Food Pantry. There is still a need for the items below:

Most requested food item at this time is
Peanut Butter & Jelly

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| Canned Soup (pop top lids) | Pasta | Spaghetti Sauce | Cereal |
| Mac & Cheese | Oatmeal | Paper Towels | Toilet Paper |

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



OUTDOOR WORSHIP

Weather permitting, following will be our last outdoor worship services. Chairs will be set up outside in the front lawn, but please feel free to bring your own chair. Let's hope and pray for sunshine.

September 18 | October 16

Quilt Project Update

Donations to the project are still welcome. Please make sure to mark your donation to "Quilt Project". *Thank you to our quilters and everyone who has donated to this awesome project!*



Our volunteers from left to right are: Christine Burman, Kaye Koler, Dot Wilford, Tamara James, Linda Gatz, and Kaye Oswald.

The Church Needs You - Can you help?

Are you looking for some way to help your church? We are in need of an Event Monitor. You will open the church for the event, watch that people stay in rented area only, answer questions, and lock up when done. We are looking for 5-6 people so there are backups, but only 1 is needed at a time. **You will receive \$50.00 per event.** If you are interested or have questions, please call Kaye in the church office **440-988-4965** or Sharon Thompson **440-327-3447** or **sgthompson@windstream.net**. Thank you!



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

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



The office will be closed on Monday in observance of Labor Day.

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., Sept. 5 Labor Day Office Closed
- Tues., Sept. 6 Bible Study 7 PM Zoom
- Wed., Sept. 7 Yoga with Mary-K 8:30-9:45 AM
Coffee Chats with Pastor Chris, Arabica's 9-11 AM
Breeze Chapel 7 PM
- Thurs., Sept. 8 Men's Fellowship Breakfast 9 AM at Nest Restaurant
Compassionate Care Meeting 10:30 AM Fireside
- Sun., Sept. 11 Worship Service 10 AM
"Radical Hospitality" 2nd Study 11AM-noon

How To Reach Us

Office Hours: Mon.–Fri. 8:30-12:30 PM *and* 1-2:30 PM
Afternoons available by appointment with Pastor Chris

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