



ST. PETER'S
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST



“HERE IS THE LAMB OF GOD
WHO TAKES AWAY
THE SIN OF THE WORLD!

JOHN 1:29

January 15, 2023 | Second Sunday after Epiphany

ORDER OF WORSHIP

**(Stand as you are able.)*

GATHERING MUSIC

Greeting

Announcements

Birthdays

Anniversaries

PRELUDE: "Prelude in G minor", Lebegue

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Have you understood God's thoughts toward us?
Have you listened to glad news of deliverance?

**People: We are here to receive God's message.
Our hearts are open to the Word we will hear.**

Leader: Listen, all who are near and all who are far away;
God is calling us as servants and as saints.

**People: Usually we do not think of ourselves in that way.
We resist lowly roles, but we do not aspire to
sainthood.**

Leader: Do not be afraid to serve God with your whole being.
Neither fear the call to join the saints of Jesus Christ.

**People: We trust that God will strengthen us for our tasks.
We are ready to be led into new responsibilities.**

*HYMN OF PRAISE: #89 "Our Great Savior"

*THE MORNING PRAYER/INVOCATION *(Unison)*

God, we wait for you to hear our cries. We come from desperate situations and many moments of despair. Then, when you call us together, we are challenged to be and to do more than we have already faced. We have spent our strength. How can we do more? Will you renew us here? We feel that we have labored in vain. Will you help us make sense out of our failures? Come with your saving help. Amen.

RED BAG MOMENT

HYMN OF PREPARATION: #82 *"O Come, Let Us Adore Him"*

PASTORAL PRAYER THE LORD'S PRAYER

A TIME OF LISTENING TO GOD'S WORD

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON: JOHN 1:29-42 #862

SPIRITUAL REFLECTION: "THE ONE"

A TIME OF GIVING

OFFERING INVITATION

OFFERTORY MUSIC

*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 #88 *"Fairest Lord Jesus"*

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE: "Finale", Handel

The "QUILTS of VALOR" will be after the service.



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	Don Krueck
Ushers	Geoff Gatz, Linda Gatz
	Sue Cherry, Earl Wiegand

Help us continue to move forward in faith by submitting your pledge cards. If you need a card, you can find one on the table by the bulletins or in the church office. Thank you for your faithfulness!

Church News

Please take a moment to fill out the yellow Participation cards and drop into the offering plate. *Participation cards should be filled out weekly.* Thank you!



Good Shepherd Baptist Food Pantry has started the Weekend Children's Backpack Program (with #s doubling last year). We cannot let any child go hungry if it is in our power. Following are some suggestions that would be very helpful with this great need:

Single Serving PB & Jelly *	Peanut Butter Crackers	Small Bag Chips
Canned Soup (Pop top lids)	Individual Cereals	Small Bag Pretzels
Spaghetti-Os (Pop top lids)	Granola Bars	Fruit Cups
Mac & Cheese (Microwavable)	Oatmeal Packages	Jello Cups

We will also still collect 'regular food items' for families in addition to the Backpack Program. Please leave your donations in the drop off boxes at the church. Pam Miskov will ensure that all items are transported to Good Shepherd Baptist Food Bank.

Thank you to everyone who continually donates.



Meet the Pastor | Sandstone Coffee House, Amherst
Wednesday from 9-11:00 a.m.

Join Pastor Chris for Breeze Chapel
Wednesdays, 7-7:30 PM in the Chapel

YOGA with Mary-K

Wednesday Mornings | 8:30-9:45 AM
Thursday Evenings | 6:00-7:15 PM

Our Wednesday morning, and Thursday evening class will meet in the lower level of St. Peter's Church. Please arrive by 8:25 a.m. for the morning class, and by 5:55 p.m. for the evening class. Enter through the door by the Chapel. Cost is \$10.

Offering Envelopes

Just a reminder that there are still a few offering envelopes on the back tables behind the pews. Thanks to Becky Woods who is delivering some to our Compassionate Care members in Amherst.

Special Thanks for the Decorations and Christmas Tree

Sue Cherry, Peggy Settle, Karen Geduldig
Jessie Kubuske, Geoff & Linda Gatz
Brian & Karel Schieferstein, Lynn & Tom Hollstein

... and Piano Refinish

Geoff & Linda Gatz, Brian Schieferstein, Lynn Hollstein

January Sermon Scriptures:

1/1 – Psalm 148
1/8 – Matthew 2:1-12
1/15 – John 1:29-42
1/22 – Matthew 4:12-23
1/29 – Matthew 5:1-12

St. Peter's Preschool Hours

MWF: 9-12 PM morning class
Tues./Thurs.: 9-12 PM morning & 12:30-3:15 PM afternoon
Wendy Kosakowski, Director, phone: 440-985-1972

2022 Annual Report

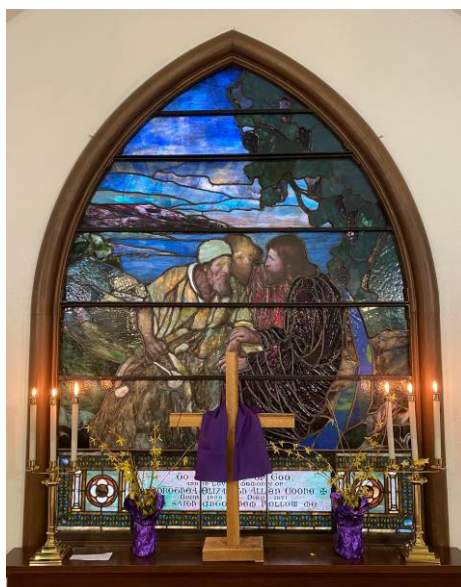
If you have not yet turned in your article(s) for the 2022 Annual Report, please do so by **Monday, January 16th**.
Thank you, Kaye

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

NEW! Be sure to check out **"A minute with Pastor Chris"**
on YouTube! Also, please Subscribe, Like and Share!



St. Paul Episcopal Church, Put In Bay

The large stain glass window behind the altar was created by Francis D. Sweeney, called "Follow Me" Window, Matthew 4:19. In 1902 Mrs. Charles D. Barney (Laura L.), daughter of Jay Cooke presented the altar window as a memorial to her mother with this inscription... "To the Glory of God, and in loving memory of Dorothea Elizabeth Allen Cooke, born 1828 died 1871, He saith unto them: Follow Me" -St. Mat. 4-19



----- **This Week's Events** -----

Tues., Jan. 17	Bible Study 7 PM Zoom
Wed., Jan. 18	YOGA with Mary-K 8:30-9:45 AM Coffee Chats with Pastor Chris, Sandstone 9-11 AM Confirmation Class 6-7 PM Breeze Chapel 7 PM
Thurs., Jan. 19	YOGA with Mary-K 6-7:15 PM Handbell Choir Practice 7:15 PM
Sun., Jan. 22	Worship Service 10 AM

----- **How To Reach Us** -----

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