



**ST. PETER'S**  
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

*'If any want to become my followers,  
let them deny themselves and take up their  
cross and follow me.'*



**February 28, 2021**

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

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

## A TIME OF GATHERING AND WELCOME

*Announcements*

*Birthdays*

*Anniversaries*

*Prayers*

*Joys*

*Concerns*

**CALL TO WORSHIP:** *From Psalm 118*

This is the day that the Lord has made. Let us rejoice and be glad in it!  
Worship has begun.

**PRELUDE:** "Recit and Aria on Picardy", Daniel Jacky

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**\*OPENING HYMN:** #364 "My Jesus I Love Thee"

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**\* RESPONSIVE PRAYER OF INVOCATION:** Psalm 22:23-32

**Leader:** You who fear the Lord, praise him! All you offspring of Jacob, glorify him; stand in awe of him, all you offspring of Israel!

**All:** For he did not despise or abhor the affliction of the afflicted; he did not hide his face from me, but heard when I cried to him.

**Leader:** From you comes my praise in the great congregation; my vows I will pay before those who fear him.

**All:** The poor shall eat and be satisfied; those who seek him shall praise the Lord. May your hearts live forever!

**Leader:** All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord; and all the families of the nations shall worship before him.

**All:** For dominion belongs to the Lord,  
and he rules over the nations.

**Leader:** To him, indeed, shall all who sleep in the earth bow  
down; before him shall bow all who go down to the  
dust, and I shall live for him.

**All:** Posterity will serve him;  
future generations will be told about the Lord,  
and proclaim his deliverance to a people yet unborn,  
saying that he has done it.

## **A TIME TO PRAISE GOD WITH MUSIC**

“Come, Follow Me” Performed by Caroline Wolfe

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## **A TIME OF PRAYER**

*Silent Prayer    Pastoral Prayer    The Lord's Prayer (debts, debtors)*

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

SCRIPTURE READING:      MARK 8:31-38

Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, ‘Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.’

He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, ‘If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life?’

Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.'

MESSAGE:

~~CERTAINTY~~

**REFLECTION HYMN: #369 "O Jesus I Have Promised"**

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## **A TIME OF GIVING**

### **OFFERING INVITATION**

Offertory: "O Lux Beata Trinitas", Mathias Weckmann

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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*)

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### **OFFERTORY PRAYER**

## **A TIME OF GOING OUT**

### **THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

*(We offer one another the peace of Christ for the week ahead.)*

**\*PARTING HYMN #376 "I Have Decided to Follow Jesus"**

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### **BENEDICTION**

## POSTLUDE: "An Wasserflüssen Babylon", Johann Pachelbel

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Welcome Everyone! Feel at home, for Christ Jesus is our host.

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

Interim Senior Pastor  
Zoom Director  
Worship Producer  
Zoom Projector  
Organist  
Scripture Reader

Pastor Arlen G. Vernava  
Mary K. Kirsch  
Brian Schieferstein  
Jennifer Wasilk  
Daniel Jacky  
Sarah Fleeman



## Church News

### Sunday School Noisy Collection

**It's Noisy Collection Week!** Thank you to all who donate! Donations are being compiled and when we have a nice sum, we hope to donate to the **Amherst High School Leo Club backpack project**, which sends ready to eat snacks home with kids who might not have food to eat over the weekend or holiday.

March Noisy Collection will be **March 28**. Thank you all so much!

Also side note: the Leo Club is collecting plastic bags again this year to make a bench for Amherst. You can drop off clean, used bags at the Main Street Amherst office lobby (255 Park Avenue).

## Food Pantry

The Food Pantry is currently in the need of the following items:

Canned Meat (Tuna, Chicken)	Kleenex	Paper Towels
Canned Soup (Pop top lids)	Spaghetti Sauce	Pasta
Spaghetti-Os (Pop top lids)	Peanut Butter	Jelly
Mac & Cheese (Microwavable)	Oatmeal Cereal	

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

## St. Peter's is on YouTube!

Scripture and Sermon from November are now on our public YouTube channel: **St Peters UCC Amherst**

Here is the link to the YouTube page for St. Peter's :

[https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCdljVHzTXllu\]-sB4IikOg](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCdljVHzTXllu]-sB4IikOg)

Feel free to share this new source of our Sunday message with your friends!



## CONGREGATIONAL MEETING TODAY!

A Congregational meeting is being held today after the church service to vote on the following motion brought by Church Council:

“Amend the definition of membership and change the review of membership in the Constitution and By-Laws as follows: Constitution, Article V – Membership, Section 3; By-Laws, Section 3.B. and 3.E. and Section 4.A.”

This week there will be videos available in Streams of Connection about NEOSOM - the NorthEast Ohio School of Ministry, a short video with testimony by a NEOSOM student, and a longer video, with testimony from three students. You can find them here:

<https://livingwaterone.org/neosom-school-of-ministry/>

## **Sunday Morning Zoom Worship**

For our Zoom worship you will join one another through a free video and audio conference application. Download the Zoom app to your smartphone, computer, or tablet and use the meeting login below:

**Join from Zoom app: Meeting ID: 524 411 3917 | Passcode: 379205**

**Join Zoom Meeting from computer:**

<https://zoom.us/j/5244113917?pwd=aEJcEcGhWUhh2dTV4eGJBSDZlUWgwdz09>

**OR Call in with phone: 1 929 205 6099**

**Meeting ID: 524 411 3917 | Passcode: 379205**



### **St. Peter's Prayer Room**

You are invited to join St. Peter's Prayer Room! We look forward to you joining us on Zoom where a name for prayer will be read and we will respond "Lord, hear our prayer". There will also be a time for you to submit yourself or someone you know for prayer. The meeting will be every Wednesday 1:00-1:30 or before. Please join us!!! If you have any questions, please contact a member of Compassionate Care.

#### **Saint Peter's Prayer Room**

1:00 - 1:30 or before | Every Wednesday

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**Meeting ID: 940 8487 2220 | Passcode: Prayer**

**Join Zoom Meeting from computer:**

<https://zoom.us/j/94084872220?pwd=ckJ2bURSZHlVW4xdEFLNHVrNn1Zz09>

**OR Call in with phone: 1 929 205 6099**

**Meeting ID: 940 8487 2220 | Passcode: 022121**

# THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

Mon, Mar. 1	MovementWorks 1:30-2:15 PM
Tue, Mar. 2	MovementWorks 4:30-7:25 PM Bible Study 7 PM (Zoom)
Wed, Mar. 3	Zoom Prayer Room 1:00 PM MovementWorks 4:30-8:15 PM
Thurs, Mar. 4	Girl Scouts 6-7:30 PM MovementWorks 4:30-8:15 PM
Fri., Mar. 5	MovementWorks 1:00-4:00 PM
Sat, Mar. 6	MovementWorks 8:45 AM- 1:45 PM
Sun, Mar. 7	Sunday Worship Service 10:00 AM

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