



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



“IT IS LIKE A MUSTARD SEED, WHICH, WHEN SOWN UPON THE GROUND, IS THE SMALLEST OF ALL THE SEEDS ON EARTH; YET WHEN IT IS SOWN IT GROWS UP AND BECOMES THE GREATEST OF ALL SHRUBS.”

**June 13, 2021**

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

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

## A TIME OF GATHERING AND WELCOME

*Announcements*

*Birthdays*

*Anniversaries*

*Prayers*

*Joys*

*Concerns*

### GATHERING MUSIC: #60 *"Morning Has Broken"*

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arranged by Tom Fettke

### 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.

### \*OPENING HYMN: #560 *"For the Beauty of the Earth"*

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### \* RESPONSIVE PRAYER OF INVOCATION: Psalm 20

**Leader:** The Lord answer you in the day of trouble!  
The name of the God of Jacob protect you!

**All:** May he send you help from the sanctuary,  
and give you support from Zion.

**Leader:** May he remember all your offerings,  
and regard with favor your burnt sacrifices. Selah

**All:** May he grant you your heart's desire,  
and fulfill all your plans.

**Leader:** May we shout for joy over your victory,  
and in the name of our God set up our banners.  
May the Lord fulfill all your petitions.

**All:** Now I know that the Lord will help his anointed;  
he will answer him from his holy heaven with  
mighty victories by his right hand.

**Leader:** Some take pride in chariots, and some in horses,  
but our pride is in the name of the Lord our God.

**All:** They will collapse and fall,  
but we shall rise and stand upright.

**Leader:** Give victory to the king, O Lord;  
answer us when we call.

## **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 4:26-34

He also said, "The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come."

He also said, "With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest

of all the seeds on earth; yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade.”

With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

SCRIPTURAL REFLECTION: “LAWN CARE”

## A PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

### A TIME OF GOING OUT

#### THE PEACE OF CHRIST

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

#### \*PARTING HYMN #88 “Fairest Lord Jesus”

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#### BENEDICTION

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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

Senior Pastor  
Zoom Director  
Worship Producer  
Zoom Projector  
Organist  
Scripture Reader

Pastor Chris Buckingham-Taylor  
Mary K. Kirsch  
Brian Schieferstein  
Jennifer Wasilk  
Daniel Jacky  
Tom Hollstein

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### A Special Thanks

Art Diaz wants to thank everyone for the outpouring of love that him and his family received in the loss of his beloved wife, Crystal. They were married 70 years. He's thankful for all the cards, prayers, phone calls, well wishes, memorial donations, and especially Circle 6 for the beautiful blanket, and rose bush. *May God bless all of you for your support and caring.*

### 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.



**Thank you for Joining Us in Welcoming Pastor Chris!  
We will move to the gazebo for our “Breakfast Buffet”.  
The gazebo is reserved from 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.**

“MAY WE SHOUT FOR JOY OVER YOUR VICTORY,  
AND IN THE NAME OF OUR GOD SET UP OUR BANNERS.  
MAY THE LORD FULFILL ALL YOUR PETITIONS.”

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## **St. Peter's is on YouTube!**

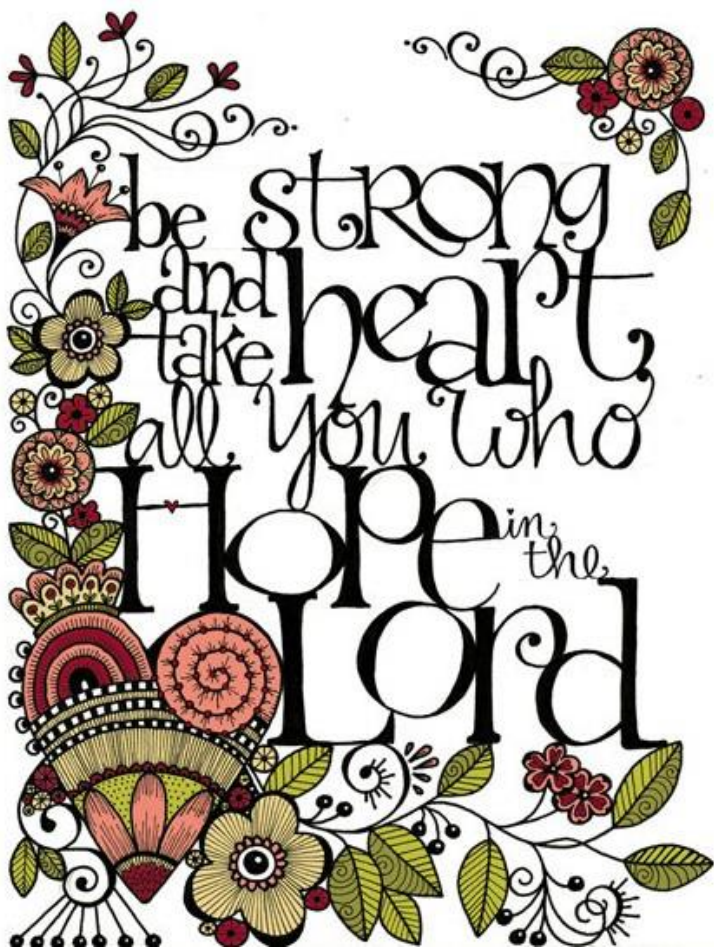
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## **Sunday Morning Zoom Worship**

The outdoor Sunday June 13th service will not be streamed live on Zoom. Instead, please find it on our **Facebook** page or at our **YouTube** site.





## This Week's Events

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Mon., June 14	Executive Board Meeting 7:00 PM
Tues., June 15	Bible Study 7 PM (Zoom)
Thurs., June 17	Girl Scouts 6-7:30 PM
Sun., June 20	Sunday Worship Service 10:00 AM Father's Day

## How To Reach Us

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