

ST. PETER'S UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

582 Church Street

Amherst, Ohio 44001

Sunday Worship Service 10:00 a.m.
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Blessings

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"Farewell butterflies, sweet-tart."

—Arlen G. Vernava

Dear St. Peter's People,

Our time draws near to parting, for Pastor Chris joins you June 1st: Pastor of St. Peter's United Church of Christ of Amherst! I am feeling "farewell" butterflies, for I always find fare welling sweet-tart.

Sweet, because we have been faithful to God. Sweet, because you, St. Peter's, discerned your core values and holy vocation. Sweet, because your eyes and heart are turning toward Pastor Chris, the One who comes. Sweet, because you hold me in prayer. Sweet, because my eyes and heart are turning and feeling God's call, push and tug to my next place of service. Sweet, because I may have more time with Robin, my spouse.

Tart, because the loving ties that bind you and me as Interim Pastor and People are unknotting, as they must, yet I am sad. Tart, because, as much as I like adventure, I also like routine, and ending my practice with you leads to a new routine, a new practice with another, and my emotional muscles will feel sore, and may object at first. Tart, because I am a nester, and it's an effort to unnest, pack up, and move.

With farewell and (soon) hello in our midst, April arrives, and with it ...

Easter, not Valentine's Day, most powerfully celebrates love for persons of Christian faith. On this highest of Christian holy days, we remember and affirm God's love ultimately defeating Death, and by analogy, God's love ultimately defeating attitudes, ideas, and principles that promote death-dealing ways. Love, not hate, not indifference feels life-giving. Love acts across boundaries of race and creed, tribe and custom and law. Love knows no bias or prejudice; Paul in his letter to the Corinthians proclaims, "love never ends."

Easter, unlike Christmas, confounds us with a mystery: one who has died and is dead for some days, rising to life. A pregnancy; a new-born baby; both are regular, if wonder-making experiences. Not so one rising from death. We have little experience with this. And in their rising? Both "spirit" and "flesh," wholly alive. It is the stuff of story, of fantasy, and of our Gospel about Jesus of Nazareth and the love of God.

How does one practice and experience God's Easter love? Perhaps in this: by practicing love for self, for God, and for one another with action and feeling that crosses every boundary and context when doing so will defeat death-dealing ways. Will my love by action and feeling promote reconciliation? Will my love include? Will my love by action and feeling forgive? Will my love contribute to the common good? Will my love by action and feeling cause me to learn and to grow? Will my love draw me ever closer to the way of Jesus and the mind of Christ? Will others see in my love action and feeling my unequivocal "no" to death-dealing ways and my glad and certain "yes" to life abundant?

St. Peter's people, no one alone can practice "living, for Jesus, a life that is true." But together, you do. Practicing love that defeats death-dealing ways flows into the community of faith. God's love finds St. Peter's people gathered and waiting. God's love fills and equips. God's love sends St. Peter's people to practice love that crosses every boundary and context when doing so will defeat death-dealing ways.

How do, you, St. Peter's people, discern the difference between death-dealing and life-dealing ways? Take as first example the life of

Jesus and the testimony of the early church: intimate communion with God; being with the stranger, outcast and enemy; care for and with the least, lost and lonely; fidelity to relationships before law; always forgiving, always reconciling, always making amends; always learning, growing and contributing in service to Easter love.

For all its challenge, the body of Christ must always hold fast to the core of it all, not the surface that excites the news and serenades attention. And how will you hold fast? Through the holy Spirit, in prayerful conversation one with the other, always curious, always open, always keen to see and experience the risen Christ in your midst.

O death, where is your victory? O death, where is your sting? Not here. Not now. Not ever.
Easter love, God's love, practices through you,
St. Peter's people, the victory of Love over death-dealing ways, through Christ Jesus, our Lord.
Amen? Amen!

Peace,



Pastor Arlen Vernava

April Sermon Scriptures:

4/4	Mark 16:1-8
4/11	John 20:19-31
4/18	Luke 24:36b-48
4/25	John 10:11-18

**Can be found on page 6.*





April

St. Peter's Preschool News



It is hard to believe that April is here! With break over, everyone is looking forward to getting back to school. This month the children will be working on the letters Kk, Tt, Nn, and Ss. They will also work on the number 10 and telephone numbers. We will be holding our **Hop-For-Your-Heart** fundraiser this month.

Due to COVID the preschool will be holding Parent-Teacher conferences by telephone. We will be going on our last field trip to **Schoepfle** for a spring nature hike.

Dine-To-Donate at Soul on Fire Pizza

This month you can order a yummy pizza at Soul on Fire Pizza on:

**Wednesday, April 21
or Thursday, April 22**

Just remember to mention you are from St. Peter's Preschool when placing your order at 440-240-8529, and we will receive **15% off all sales**.

There are a few openings available in the Tuesday-Thursday afternoon

classes. If interested, please call the school at 440-985-1972.

God Bless,
Wendy Kosakowski,
St. Peter's Preschool Director

I would like to thank everyone at St. Peter's for the cards and prayers. My Dad's passing was devastating, and your support was very sweet.

Phone:
440-985-1972.

Email:
preschl@stpetersamherst.org.

Help St. Peter's Support our Preschool!

Gift Basket Giveaway! Donations Needed!

St Peter's church is supporting St. Peter's Preschool! We are sponsoring a gift basket to generate interest and excitement in the Preschool Board! One lucky parent who participates in the **Preschool Board zoom meeting on May 13th** will be the winner of a HUGE basket of fun and goodies!

Our part is to donate items for the basket giveaway!

Here are some suggestions for moms and dads of preschoolers:

Coffee (k-cups or gift cards) /
fun mugs

Target gift cards

Anything beauty!

Wine / glasses / candles

Lottery tickets

Water bottles / tumblers

Blankets or cozy socks

Gift certificates
from Amherst businesses



Other ideas are welcome!

You can leave the donations with Kaye in the office by **Friday, April 30th**.

Thanks so much for your support of our Preschool!

Best Regards,

Mary-K Kirsch
Council President

Heartfelt 
THANKS

Food Pantry

The month of **March** had a total of **105** food items donated!

Thank you to everyone who donated items to the food bank - this is greatly appreciated!

A big thank you to Pam Miskov for taking the time to ensure all the items are transported to Good Shepherd Food Bank.

There currently is a need for:



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.



Circle 6 Meeting

Thursday | April 8 | 7:00 p.m.

Circle 6 will hold a meeting on Thursday, April 8 at 7:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Refreshments will be provided.

Please RSVP Sally Readinger at sallyreader57@gmail.com or **440-949-6420** by March 31 so enough goodies are ordered for everyone. Please wear your mask and we will social distance with a maximum of 2 people per table.

If you are unable to attend the meeting in person, you may join us on Zoom. The meeting ID is **535 560 9323** and the Passcode is **Circle6**.



CRAFT CLUB is Starting Again!

Monday | April 26 | 6:30 p.m.

Craft club will meet starting April 26 at 6:30 p.m. in the Fireside room. Masks are required, (even if you have been vaccinated!) and we will set up to be socially distanced.

All are welcome, bring your current (or old) craft project to work on and to have some fun fellowship with other crafters! Can't wait to see you then!

A LOOK AT EASTER: A COMPARISON OF THE GOSPEL STORIES.

Matthew 28:1-10

Time of Day: First day of the week, at dawn.

Who: Mary Magdalene and the other Mary, an angel of the Lord, guards, Jesus.

What: An earthquake, stoned rolled back, angel appearing "like lightening and his clothing white as snow." "...guards shook and became like dead men." Women "left the tomb quickly with fear and great joy... Jesus met them." "[The women] took hold of his feet, and worshiped him."

Dialogue: The angel: "Do not be afraid; I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. He is not here; for he has been raised, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. Then go quickly and tell his disciples, 'He has been raised from the dead, and indeed he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him.' This is my message for you."

Jesus: Speaking to the women, "Greetings!" "Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me."

Mark 16:1-8

Time of Day: "very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen."

Who: Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of Jesus, and Salome; young man, dressed in a white robe.

What: the women "...bought spices, that they might go and anoint him." Stone rolled back. "They entered the tomb." Young man "sitting on the right side." [The women] "went out and fled...for terror and amazement had sieved them; and they said nothing to anyone..."

Dialogue: "They said one to another, 'Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?'" [The young man] "said to them, 'Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you.'"

Luke 24: 1-12

Time of day: early dawn.

Who: "two men in dazzling clothes." Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, the other women"; the eleven / the apostles, all the rest, Peter.

What: [The women] "came to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared." Stone rolled away. Went into the tomb, "they did not find the body." Two men stood beside them. Women "were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground." Men spoke to them. Women told what they had been told. Peter "ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; then he went home, amazed at what had happened."

Dialogue: "...but the men said to them, 'Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners, and be crucified, and on the third day rise again.'"

John 20:1-18

Time of day: "Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark."

Who: Mary Magdalene, Simon Peter, the "other disciple, the one who Jesus loved," two angels in white, Jesus, the disciples.

What: Stone removed. Mary Magdalene "ran and went to Simon Peter...", Peter and the other disciple run to the tomb, the other disciple "bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in." Simon Peter ... "following him...went into the tomb." "He saw the linen wrappings ... the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself." "...the other disciple...also went in and he saw and believed." "Then the disciples returned to their homes."

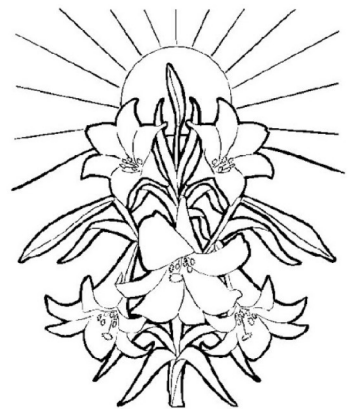
Mary weeping outside the tomb. Mary looks inside, "saw two angels in white sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the

other at the feet." Mary mistakes Jesus for the gardener. Jesus and Mary speak. "Mary Magdalene goes and tells the disciples.

Dialogue: Mary to Peter and the other disciple: "they have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him." The angels speak to Mary: "Woman, why are you weeping?" Mary replies, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him." Mary Magdalene to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord"

Mary and Jesus: Jesus speaks to Mary, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?" "Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, 'Sir, if you have cried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away.' Jesus said, 'Mary!' She turned and said to him in Hebrew, 'Rabbani!'

... Jesus said... 'Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'"



Easter Lilies
Thank you!

Thanks to everyone
who purchased Easter Lilies to
help adorn the Alter!

*APRIL SERMON SCRIPTURE READINGS

4/4 Mark 16:1-8

When the sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. They had been saying to one another, 'Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?' When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. But he said to them, 'Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you.' So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

4/11 John 20:19-31

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe." Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

4/18 Luke 24:36b-48

While they were talking about this, Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you." They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. He said to them, "Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have." And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, "Have you anything here to eat?" They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate in their presence. Then he said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled." Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things.

4/25 John 10:11-18

"I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away—and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father."



CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING

March 15, 2021 St. Peter's Council Meeting Minutes

ATTENDEES:

President: Mary-K Kirsch	x	Pastor: Arlen Vernava	x
Vice President: Christine Burman	x	Trustee: Jim Kubuske	x
Secretary: Susan Cherry	x	Congregational Rep: Kaye Koler	x
Treasurer: Lauri Hubach	E	Congregational Rep: Tom Hollstein	x
Congregational Rep.: Stacy Gleason	x	Financial Secretary: Rebecca Woods	x
Congregational Rep.: Sally Readinger	x	Congregational Rep: Susan Conkle	x

x= present; E=excused; A=absent

Visitors: Sharon Thompson, Gary Thompson

President Mary-K Kirsch opened the meeting at 7:04 p.m.

Financial Secretary's Report

Rebecca Woods gave the Financial Secretary's Report. Total incoming funds for the month of February totaled \$11,716.54. Pass through payments (donation received for missions that the church forwards to the mission) totaled \$514.09. This amount is made up of: Lorain County APL, \$25.00, Our Church's Wider Mission (OCWM), \$232.83, Stained Glass Windows, \$136.00, Noisy Collection, \$70.26, and Living Waters, \$50.00. A motion was made and seconded to approve the pass through payments. The motion passed.

Draft for Safe-Church Fitness Review for Laity, Staff

Pastor Arlen distributed a draft of the Safe-Church Review Process for Laity, Staff shortly before the meeting. He indicated that this document describes the process if an allegation is brought forth. He requested that the Council members review the document and be prepared to discuss at the council meeting in April.

Holy Week and Easter Services

Maundy Thursday--There will be a service.

Good Friday--No Service, but Pastor Arlen and members of the congregation will meet at the church at 11:45 a.m. and walk to other churches located near the downtown area. Mary-K will contact other local churches to see if they wish to join the walk.

Easter Sunday--The service will be held at 10:00 a.m. There is a maximum of 70 for seating in the sanctuary and the service will also be on Zoom.

Trustees Report

-Electronic Sign: Jim Kubuske introduced Dan Beeman, who was representing Wagner Signs. Dan reviewed the proposed features of the electronic sign. The electronic sign will be installed on the current sign's frame and posts, but an electronic display panel would be added to our sign. We agreed to have Wagner Signs coordinate all of the permits, etc. with the city (estimated cost \$75-\$150). The sign has a dimmer to turn it down during the daytime and brighten it at night. It also has brightness sensors built in. Mary-K asked that we have our logo added to the sign. The current sign's wiring voltage will cover the requirements of the new sign. To begin the ordering process, Wagner requires a signed proposal, contract, and acquisition of permits. A 60% deposit invoice is required before St. Peter's makes the deposit payment. Once permits are obtained, it should be a 6-8 week installation.

The following Trustee's Report from Jim Kubuske was distributed to the Council members for their review:

Old Business:

Sconce over the doorway in Sanctuary was repaired.

Movement Works' last day was extended to May 8. Walk through is scheduled to occur on or before that date. Remaining rent balance paid for the remainder of May will be refunded after a walk through determines if there are any damages that need repairs.

Parking lot: Trustees have decided to go with Griffith Blacktop in Sheffield Village. Scheduling will be dur-

ing the summer after preschool is finished for the year. It will require 24 hours for the work and for drying before the parking lot can be used.

Edgar is still in the process of replacing light fixtures in the preschool rooms.

New Business:

It was brought to the Trustees' attention that the American flag is not at the top of the pole. Trustees will check to see if the rope needs adjusting or if other repairs need to be made.

Peace Pole: It was mentioned that the Peace Pole needs repair. Trustees will investigate what needs to be done and if there is a cost involved. It was suggested to have this done and a re-dedication on "Peace Pole Day" in September.

There was a visitor staying in the St. Peter's parking lot on March 8. The person received approval from Pastor Arlen and was checked on by Trustees and by Amherst Police. He was gone the next day.

The boiler had a "Stand by Maintenance Required" message for its yearly inspection. Geisel was contacted, came, and inspected on March 10. Inspection passed and we will receive our certificate in the mail. This is part of our service contract with them which needs to be renewed by July 21, 2021. On May 18, Geisel will come inspect the air conditioning as per the service contract.

The silent carillon was mentioned at the last council meeting. Trustees had Brian Schieferstein look at it, and after some work, Brian had it running. When he went to check it to "spring ahead," he found the timer had frozen. He will replace the timer and the carillon should be running fine again. It rings on the hour from noon to 9pm and plays 3 hymns after it rings for the hour at 3pm.

Preschool Board

At the most recent Preschool Board Meeting, which took place on 3/11/21, the issue of parental participation on the preschool board was the most pressing issue discussed. The board usually has parents fill the positions of President, Vice President, and Secretary. Currently, there is only one parent serving on the board, President Nicole Waddell, and Nicole will be stepping down after the current school year ends. The Covid pandemic protocol for the preschool has hampered the teachers getting to know the parents and interacting with parents when

they are dropping off their children; therefore, it has been difficult for the teachers to recruit parents for these positions. One suggestion was to put together a basket to give away at a drawing at the May 13, 2021 Preschool Board Meeting. Parents would have to attend the meeting via Zoom to be eligible to win the basket. Only parents attending the Zoom meeting will have their names entered for the drawing. The preschool is asking for members of St. Peter's to distribute flyers to parents while parents are dropping off or picking up their children. Christine Burman and Susan Cherry volunteered to do this, but additional members are needed. It was suggested by Christine that the request for volunteers be posted in the Bulletin. Also congregation members are requested to donate gift cards or other items to add to the basket.

Delegates to Association Meetings

The Council is looking for members to attend the Living Water Association and the Heartland Conference meetings. The Living Water Association meeting is usually held within driving distance. The Heartland Conference may involve longer distance travel since the conference is made up of Ohio and Kentucky members. Travel expenses will be paid by St. Peter's. The meetings usually take place in the fall. Delegates need to be determined by the Annual Congregational Meeting in November 2021. Sally Readinger will look into obtaining more information on these two meetings.

A motion was made to adjourn the council meeting. The motion was seconded and passed. Stacy Gleason led the Council in the Lord's Prayer to close the meeting. The meeting ended at 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Cherry
Council Secretary



St. Peter's Prayer Room *Time Change*



"Lord, hear our prayer"

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 **Thursday** at **9:00 a.m.** Please join us! If you have any questions, please contact a member of Compassionate Care.



Saint Peter's Prayer Room

Every Thursday | 9:00 - 9:30 a.m. or before

Join from Zoom app:

Meeting ID: 940 8487 2220 | Passcode: Prayer

Join Zoom Meeting from computer:

<https://zoom.us/j/94084872220?pwd=ckJ2bURSZHllVW4xdEFLNHVrNnI1Zz09>

OR Call in with phone:

1 929 205 6099

Meeting ID: 940 8487 2220 | Passcode: 022121

*Wishing Everyone a Blessed and
Happy Easter!*



*fearfully
and
wonderfully
made*
PSALM 139:14

Pamela Beiswenger	April 01
Katie Orseno	April 01
Kaye Koler	April 02
Peter Hause	April 03
Swen Nielsen	April 04
Lucas Shalkhauser	April 04
Thomas Davis	April 05
Clifford Elliott	April 05
Sharon Slavik	April 05
Donald Wearsch	April 05
Brady Jeffers	April 06
Sharon Thompson	April 06
Steven Bosworth	April 07
M Schroeder	April 08
Kobe Goodwin-Pyers	April 10
Brandy Bring	April 11
Matthew Torres	April 12
Michael Harmych	April 14
Howard Murphy	April 15
Madden Moos	April 16

Neil Wasilk	April 18
Mark Kildow	April 19
Margaret Wiegand	April 19
Joseph Zahorec	April 19
Emma Ranney	April 20
Kimberly Boian	April 21
Bonny McQuaid	April 21
Deborah Raesler	April 22
April Pratt	April 23
Debra Brown	April 24
John McKitrick	April 25
Jacqueline O'Dell	April 25
Marcia Ramsey	April 25
Joan Whitman	April 27
Karie Slavik	April 28
Kody Beiswenger	April 29
Terrence Clark	April 30
Kathryn Nielsen	April 30
Kevin Nielsen	April 30

Pray

*"Cast all your anxiety on Him
because he cares for you." 1 Peter 5:7*

Please add the following to your prayers:

Jerry Buchs & family	Joyce Darakis	May Poor	Family of Betty Walters
Kubuske family	Sherry Pratt	Roger Becker	Those with conflicts, concerns or medical issues left unspoken
Judy Baker	Glenn Miskov	Carol Battenhouse	
Mary Ann Sterna	Lou & Vickie Zeller	Darlene Mudrich	
Debbie Raesler	Family of Marge Marshall	Pam & Bill Shuster	
Audrey Montgomery	Valentino Dziak	Pastor Arlen & Robin	Those who have asked for confidential prayers
Karin Andy	Lois Barnes	Pastors Chris and Delisa	
Jim & Linda Brown	Ruth Kossow	Wendy Kosakowski & family	
Don Swift			

If you would like to be added or removed from this list, please contact the church office at **440-988-4965** or **adminofc@stpetersamherst.org** or Compassionate Care **sgthompson@windstream.net**

One Great HOUR OF SHARING

Thank You For Donating to One Great Hour of Sharing!

Your support enables us to respond to a variety of global and local concerns by addressing advocacy, sustainable development, refugee and asylum issues, migration, and disasters, and assisting those most in need and vulnerable among us.

Homeless Outreach Update

Great Lakes Church is no longer doing homeless outreach, however, one family is still going out twice a month and providing the homeless with a hot meal, snacks, toiletries, and any clothing they may need. They are always in need of bottled water and snacks that are easily opened and non-perishable (granola or fruit bars, pop top cans of soup, chili, fruit, or vegetables, packs of cheese or peanut butter crackers, Pop Tarts, etc.). Right now they also need men's jeans size 32 or 34 waist with 32 or 34 inseam. As the weather warms up, they will need men's short sleeve T shirts, sizes large and up.

For now, please place food and clothing items donated for homeless in the clothing collection bin, and indicate that items are for homeless outreach. Thank you for anything you can do!

If you have any questions, please contact **Diane Barnum** at **419-602-7264**.



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St. Peter's UCC Preschool

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Kerri Kobyłka, Teacher		
Hannah Jones, Teacher's Aide		

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St. Peter's YouTube Channel	St Peters UCC Amherst

Sunday Worship Service: 10:00 a.m.
Sunday School: 10-11:00 a.m.