

ST. PETER'S UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

**582 Church Street
Amherst, Ohio 44001**

CHANGE SERVICE REQUESTED

Sunday Worship Service: 10:00 a.m.

Office Hours: Monday–Friday 8:30 AM-12:30 PM

Afternoons available by appointment



**The grass withers, the flower fades, but the word
of our God will stand forever.** ISAIAH 40:8

October 2021

THE KEY



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Pastoral Ponderings

From the desk of
PASTOR CHRIS

"We are the 'Rock!' It's time to drop our nets and go!"

This is such an exciting time of the year! Fall is here, and the signs of change are all around us. Apple picking, harvest decorations, pumpkins, mums adorning our porches, football, sweatshirt weather, are just some of the joys of fall. "Yes," COVID 19 Delta variant is still a very real threat for all of us, but hope persists. Life at St. Peter's UCC is, like fall, **showing signs of positive change and renewal.** We have so much with which to look forward. Our music program is back in full swing! Our Sunday School is doing well! Our Preschool is buzzing with children and young families, and I can't wait to spend Chapel time with them. These are just some of the signs of fall at St. Peter's UCC.

A new sign of fall for St. Peter's UCC is our Stewardship drive. October is now our Stewardship month. By now, you've probably received a Stewardship letter with information about how to support the ministries of this church through sharing your: **Time, Talent, and Money.** Saint Peter was the

Rock on which Jesus would build his church, and as a namesake we too must be Christ's church. One, if not the greatest, moment of Peter's life, was when Jesus asked him to drop his net and follow him as his disciple. We are all being asked to do the same thing—to drop our nets and follow Christ.

October is going to be a remarkable and memorable month in the life and history of St. Peter's United Church of Christ, Amherst, Ohio! Just as we embrace the scents and sights of fall, may we use our senses to be fully immersed in the ministry of Christ at St. Peter's. We are the "Rock!" It's time to drop our nets and go!

Remember, you are loved!

Pastor Chris

"And I tell you Peter: you are a rock, and
on this rock foundation I will build my church, and not even
death will ever be able to overcome it!"

— Matthew 16:18, Good News Version

Peter THE ROCK

"WE ARE THE ROCK OF CHRIST" 2022 STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN

"It's time to drop our nets
and follow Christ!"



October Sermon Scriptures:

10/3-Mark 10:2-16 10/10-Mark 10:17-31 10/17-Mark 10:35-45 10/24-Mark 10:46-52 10/31-Ruth 1:1-18 Please see next page.





OCTOBER SERMON SCRIPTURE READINGS

10/3 Mark 10:2-16

Some Pharisees came, and to test him they asked, "Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?" He answered them, "What did Moses command you?" They said, "Moses allowed a man to write a certificate of dismissal and to divorce her." But Jesus said to them, "Because of your hardness of heart he wrote this commandment for you. But from the beginning of creation, 'God made them male and female.' 'For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh.' So they are no longer two, but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate."

Then in the house the disciples asked him again about this matter. He said to them, "Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her; and if she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery."

People were bringing little children to him in order that he might touch them; and the disciples spoke sternly to them. But when Jesus saw this, he was indignant and said to them, "Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it." And he took them up in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them.

10/10 Mark 10:17-31

As he was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: 'You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.'" He said to him, "Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth." Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, "You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me." When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!" And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, "Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God." They were greatly astounded and said to one another, "Then who can be saved?" Jesus looked at them and said, "For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible."

Peter began to say to him, "Look, we have left everything and followed you." Jesus said, "Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first."

10/17 Mark 10:35-45

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to him and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." And he said to them, "What is it you want me to do for you?" And they said to him, "Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory." But Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?" They replied, "We are able." Then Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared."

When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. So Jesus called them and said to them, "You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many."

10/24 Mark 10:46-52

They came to Jericho. As he and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" Jesus stood still and said, "Call him here." And they called the blind man, saying to him, "Take heart; get up, he is calling you." So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. Then Jesus said to him, "What do you want me to do for you?" The blind man said to him, "My teacher, let me see again." Jesus said to him, "Go; your faith has made you well." Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.

10/31 Ruth 1:1-18

In the days when the judges ruled, there was a famine in the land, and a certain man of Bethlehem in Judah went to live in the country of Moab, he and his wife and two sons. The name of the man was Elimelech and the name of his wife Naomi, and the names of his two sons were Mahlon and Chilion; they were Ephrathites from Bethlehem in Judah. They went into the country of Moab and remained there. But Elimelech, the husband of Naomi, died, and she was left with her two sons. These took Moabite wives; the name of the one was Orpah and the name of the other Ruth. When they had lived there about ten years, both Mahlon and Chilion also died, so that the woman was left without her two sons and her husband.

Then she started to return with her daughters-in-law from the country of Moab, for she had heard in the country of Moab that the Lord had considered his people and given them food. So she set out from the place where she had been living, she and her two daughters-in-law, and they went on their way to go back to the land of Judah. But Naomi said to her two daughters-in-law, "Go back each of you to your mother's house. May the Lord deal kindly with you, as you have dealt

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with the dead and with me. The Lord grant that you may find security, each of you in the house of your husband." Then she kissed them, and they wept aloud. They said to her, "No, we will return with you to your people." But Naomi said, "Turn back, my daughters, why will you go with me? Do I still have sons in my womb that they may become your husbands? Turn back, my daughters, go your way, for I am too old to have a husband. Even if I thought there was hope for me, even if I should have a husband tonight and bear sons, would you then wait until they were grown? Would you then refrain from marrying? No, my daughters, it has been far more bitter for me than for you, because the hand of the Lord has turned against me." Then they wept aloud again. Orpah kissed her mother-in-law, but Ruth clung to her. So she said, "See, your sister-in-law has gone back to her people and to her gods; return after your sister-in-law." But Ruth said, "Do not press me to leave you or to turn back from following you! Where you go, I will go; Where you lodge, I will lodge; your people shall be my people, and your God my God. Where you die, I will die— there will I be buried. May the Lord do thus and so to me, and more as well, if even death parts me from you!" When Naomi saw that she was determined to go with her, she said no more to her.



CROP HUNGER WALK

Sunday, Oct. 3 | 2:00 PM

There is still time to sign up! Pledge Forms are in the church office. For those walking, please meet at 5 points downtown Amherst. Water will be provided and the walk will start with a word of prayer.

The walk will go from 5 points down Milan Ave., to and through the Metro Park, across North Main St. to Sunset, and then turn up and back towards downtown.

Please turn in your pledge packet/monies the day of the walk. **Thank you** for helping this community-led fundraising event to end hunger.

Compassionate Care Team

Compassionate Care has available a nearly full, large box of men's Depends Protection Plus size S-M (26-34 in) underwear. If you could use them, please call the church office at 440-988-4965. Item can be picked up at the church office or arrangements can be made to have it delivered. Privacy will be observed.

Compassionate Care would like to thank all that have reached out to us to express their gratitude and thanks for the support we have given. The cards and calls are heartwarming to us! We would also like to thank Linda Gatz, who made fidget blankets and mug mats and Chris Burman, who made face masks, which we used for our care bags.

From Prayer Ministry & Compassionate Care

As with any change, as we find other ways to get our church service out to people (Facebook, Zoom, etc.), there are bound to be glitches. St. Peter's glitch is not everyone is able to hear. Zoom, and some in service itself, can't hear the announcements made by the general congregation so everything must be repeated by Pastor Chris. Because our prayers and concerns are not for the general public, they have had to be announced prior to the Facebook connection being made. This is why we always have down time after announcements and before actual service starts. At this time, prayers and concerns will no longer be announced prior to or during church services. Surgeries, illness, other concerns will be addressed by Pastor Chris in a general fashion in his prayer.

BUT...we know you would like to continue to prayer for those in our church family. St. Peter's does have a Prayer Ministry that you are welcome to join. There are no meetings. You will receive an email the beginning of each month with prayer requests for specific needs. You choose your method, time and degree of prayer. It's that simple. If you would like to participate, please contact Kaye in the church office at 440-988-4965 with your name and email address.

In addition, there will be prayer request and visitor cards available by the offering plate. These cards can also be used if you would like the pastor the call you. Please complete the card and drop it back in the offering plate. If you attend service thru Zoom or Facebook and have a prayer request, please call the church office. Either way, please indicate if you would like the prayer request to be confidential.

Hospital stay? Surgery? The hospitals very seldom call the listed church on your admittance information when you are admitted. We do our best to know when someone is going into the hospital, rehab, etc., but aren't always aware of it. Please notify Compassionate Care, Pastor Chris or call the church office when you are in need. Please indicate if you would like the information to be confidential.



October

St. Peter's Preschool News



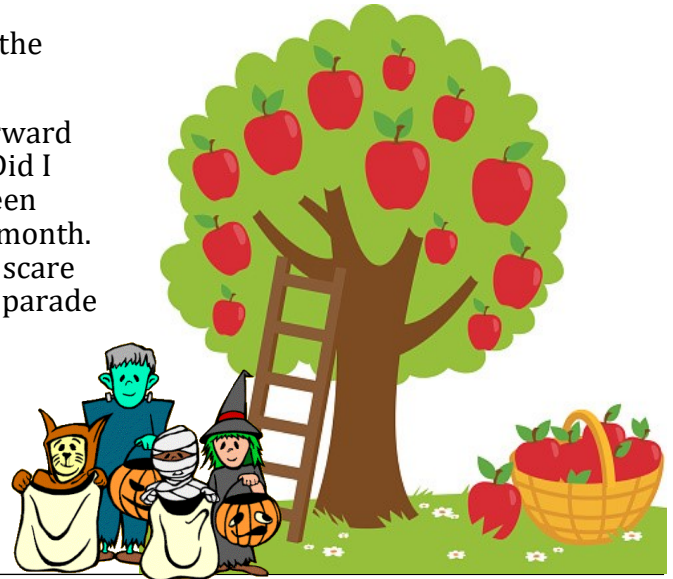
It is hard to believe that we have successfully finished the month of September. The children and staff are nicely adjusting. Everyone enjoyed the field trip to Miller's Apple Hill. The apples were very tasty!! It was nice to visit with all the parents and grandparents that attended.

This month we will learn the shapes triangle and circle, the colors black, orange, and the numbers 0 and 2.

We will also introduce the letters Oo, and Hh.

We are also looking forward to our ... BOOOOOO!!! Did I scare you???? Halloween Party at the end of the month. We will try hard not to scare anyone as the children parade around the Preschool!!

Thank you,
Wendy Kosakowski
Preschool Director



Food Drive
for Hunger



Let's Help Others Enjoy a Thanksgiving Dinner!

St. Peter's Sunday School

Noisy collection for the months of September and October will go toward Thanksgiving dinners for needy families in the Amherst School system. We will also have baskets in the sanctuary for donations. If you are able, please donate some of the following items:

BOXED MASHED POTATOES

CANNED FRUITS/APPLESAUCE/CRANBERRIES

CANNED VEGETABLES ESPECIALLY PUMPKIN

CANNED GRAVY

BOXED STUFFING MIX

Sincerely,
Jessie Kubuske,
Director of Christian Education

"Love is not patronizing
and charity isn't about pity,
it is about love. Charity
and love are the same—
with charity you give
love, so don't just give
money but reach out
your hand instead."

— Mother Teresa

St. Peter's Food Pantry

For the month of September, we collected
a total of **71 FOOD ITEMS!**

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 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.
A special thank you to **Al Murphy** for helping this month!



'TRULY I TELL YOU,
JUST AS YOU DID IT
TO ONE OF THE LEAST
OF THESE WHO ARE
MEMBERS OF MY FAMILY,
YOU DID IT TO ME.'

MATTHEW 25:40

Circle 6 MEETING

Fellowship Hall

Tuesday | Oct. 5 | 6:00 p.m.



Circle Six will hold it's next meeting on Tuesday, October 5 at 6:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. We will be working on our mission blankets so bring your scissors. Also bring your own boxed dinner and drink.



Please JOIN US at CRAFT CLUB!

Monday | October 25 | 6:30 p.m.

Craft club will meet **October 25 at 6:30 p.m.** in the Fireside room. Masks aren't required if you **have been** fully vaccinated. If you **haven't been** vaccinated, we require you to wear a mask for your own protection. 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!

CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING

Sept. 20, 2021 Minutes

ATTENDEES:

President: Mary-K Kirsch	x	Pastor: Chris Buckingham-Taylor	x
Vice President: Christine Burman	x	Trustee: Jim Kubuske	x
Secretary: Susan Cherry	x	Congregational Rep: Kaye Koler	E
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: Jessie Kubuske, Sharon and Gary Thompson | Pastor Chris opened the meeting with a prayer at 7:02 pm.

Treasurer's Report

Pass Through payments needing approval:

Payable To:	For:
OCWM*	\$105.00
	\$105.00

*Our Church's Wider Mission

A motion was made and seconded to approve the pass through payments.

The motion passed.

General Fund Summary:

	Aug-21	Aug-20	2021 YTD	2020 YTD	Change
Offerings					
Cash/Check	11,455.39	12,350.00	79,017.39	98,678.50	(19,661.11)
Offerings Breeze	1,389.99		12,054.99		
Offerings PayPal	0.00		1,415.00		
Transfer to General	2,498.00		9,748.00	6,440.00	
PPP Loan					
Forgiveness/EIDL	0.00		19,804.82		
Blessings from					
the Saints	(1,355.72)	6,860.48	66,275.89	65,436.01	839.88
Expense	(13,987.66)	(19,210.48)	(188,316.09)	(170,554.51)	17,761.58
	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	

Full report available in the church office.

Trustee Report

Offerings for Trustees Meeting September 16, 2021
(Location: St Peter's Church)

In attendance: Jim Kubuske, Don Krucek, Edgar Vargas

Meeting began with placing the new Peace Pole in readiness for Sunday's dedication.

Brian Schieferstein did a presentation to the Trustees concerning replacing phone system vs. repairing system. Company that provided the original system has gone out of business, but we can contact a company in North Olmsted for repairs. Another option would be purchasing a whole new system—Ring Central or Nextiva. Considerations include fire alarm system, door system, etc.

Trustees decided to call North Olmsted company to see about repairing the old system.

The outdoor light by the chapel is out. Trustees will check about replacing the bulb.

Fire inspection took place before the start of preschool. Firemen said we needed smoke detectors in the upstairs floor of the education wing. Detectors were purchased and installed.

The TV Stand that was purchased may not fit through the doors of the Fireside room, so Trustees were told that the TV will be stored in the sanctuary. Door locks that were purchased for the fireside room will be returned.

Geisel Heating fixed valves on boilers in the Education wing. Pictures were taken and the insurance company and state of Ohio were notified, and now we are in compliance.

Geisel Heating repaired air conditioning units in the Fireside Room, Upstairs Fireside room, Administrative Office and Christian Education office.

Borne was contacted about snow plowing. It costs us approximately \$200 each time they plow. It has been noted that if we continue with Borne they need to:
A. come earlier to accommodate Preschool start
B. not block walkways
C. shovel sidewalks. *

We have had one estimate on chimney repair. They will send written estimates for both repair, and for reducing height (removing parts that need repair) and capping the remaining chimney. We are still waiting on JNG to come and make an estimate.

Jim Kubuske completed a survey from the insurance company on our policies.

Edgar Vargas repaired the broken handrail in the education wing, and hung the pamphlet board in the lobby outside the administrative office.

There is ongoing research on the letter we received from the new gas company. There are questions remaining and trustees are going to contact former Trustee, Earl Weigand to ask what was decided before and why.

The electronic sign is held up because the last few parts necessary are held up in transit. As soon as the parts arrive they will be able to install the sign.

Next meeting October 14, 2021, 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Trustees

**Jim noted, after giving the Trustee Report, that he had spoken to Borne and they agreed to comply with the items requested above, the cost would be the same, and would accommodate the preschool start time.*

Stewardship

Announcements will be made to the congregation about increasing their offering commitments. There will also be a Stewardship meeting after the church service on September 26, 2021, where members can sign up for groups that work to serve the church and its members.

Covid 19

We will continue to follow the existing Covid 19 protocols currently in place.

Church Website

We are currently paying \$27/mo. for website maintenance. Jessie Kubuske indicated that she felt the website was difficult to work with. Pastor Chris suggested that we have Brian Schieferstein look at the website and evaluate whether or not a new website is needed. We should then put together a research committee to look at maintaining the current website vs. considering a new website and provider. Mary-K suggested that all council members check out the website before the next council meeting to see if they think the website is easy to use, etc.

The "Little Church" Funds

The "little church" funds going forward will be used to fund the Oberlin student singers (2). Mary-K will reach out to Caroline Wolfe concerning when she will no longer provide music for the services. Sue Conkle will put together a "thank you" letter to Caroline for her services to the Church.

Vendor License/Sales Tax Exemption Certificate

If the above information is needed for tax exempt purchases, please contact Kaye Oswald in the church office for a form with the tax exempt number.

Use of Fellowship Hall on Veterans Day

Don Ramsey's daughter, Nicole, is a teacher with the North Ridgeville school system. Their group will be attending a Veteran's Day event in Amherst on November 11, 2021 and asked if they could use Fellowship Hall after the ceremony to have lunch and a discussion with veterans. There would be about 150-158 students, plus teachers. We did not think that Fellowship Hall could accommodate that size crowd, especially under our current Covid 19 restrictions. Pastor Chris will get back to her with this answer.

Miscellaneous

Sue Conkle asked what was happening with the parsonage. Jim indicated that Pastor Arlen had taken out his remaining items and it was being cleaned out and now empty.

A question on the Crop Walk came up. Was there any new information? Becky Woods indicated that she was walking and was being sponsored by Kaye Oswald. If any one else would like to sponsor Becky, please contact the office.

Pastor Chris gave the closing prayer at 7:56 p.m.

A motion was made, seconded, and passed to adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Cherry
Council Secretary

Please Join Us on Sunday, Nov. 7 for Pastor Chris' Installation

Please join us in celebrating the installation of Pastor Chris Buckingham-Taylor. Delisa will be leading worship service.

We are pleased to have Rev. Nayiri Karjian, Association General Minister join us in participation of this special day.



*"With long life I will
satisfy them, and show
them my salvation."*

Psalms 91:16

Lynda Helyes	October 01
Linda Gatz	October 02
Rebecca Hubach	October 02
B. Sue Smith	October 03
Jean Martin	October 06
Luen Beale	October 07
Norma Marsh	October 10
Chris Buckingham-Taylor	October 12
Sandra Clark	October 16
Janet Siron	October 16
Patricia Knepper	October 19
Cynthia Bring	October 25
William Schuster	October 28
Edna Berry	October 29

October Events

- Oct. 2 Animal Blessing 10:00 a.m.
- Oct. 3 Communion Sunday 10:00 p.m.
Neighbors in Need Offering
Crop Hunger Walk 2:00 p.m.
- Oct. 5 Staff Meeting 10:30 a.m.
Circle Six 6:00 p.m.
- Oct. 7 Mainstreet Amherst 9:00 a.m.
Compassionate Care 10:30 a.m.
Girl Scouts 6:00 p.m.
- Oct. 11 Executive Council Meeting 7 p.m.
- Oct. 17 Outdoor Service 10:00 a.m.
- Oct. 18 Council Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
- Oct. 20 Clergy Mtg, Brownhelm 11:30 a.m.
- Oct. 21 Girl Scouts 6:00 p.m.
- Oct. 24 Family Worship Sunday
- Oct. 25 Craft Club, 6:30 p.m. Fireside Room

Sanctuary Choir 6:30 p.m. / Handbell Choir
at 7:30 p.m., Thursdays

Spiritual Life: 1-4:00 p.m. Mondays

Bible Study: 7:00 p.m., Tuesdays, Zoom

Breeze Chapel: 7-7:30 p.m., Wednesdays

Coffee Chats with Pastor Chris
9-11:00 a.m., Wednesdays at Arabica's!

Stewardship/Consecration Sunday

Our campaign, "We are the Rock of Christ," will take place during the month of October with a special consecration and celebration of our gifts of: **Time, Talent and Money on Sunday, October 31, 2021.** Each Sunday worship service, during October, will include a "Witness" moment, led by a member of our St. Peter's family. We ask you to reflect on **Matthew 16:18** as you prepare to offer God your gifts of Time, Talent and Money, so that St. Peter's UCC, may continue to be a firm foundation for Christ.

Wikipedia defines Consecration as the solemn dedication to a special purpose or service. The word consecration literally means "association with the sacred". Persons, places, or things can be consecrated, and the term is used in various ways by different groups. The origin of the word comes from the Latin stem consecrat, which means **dedicated, devoted, and sacred.**

*"And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build
my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it."*

MATTHEW 16:18



**Please get your budget requests
turned in by Oct. 4, Thank you!**

Members of the committee include: Pastor Chris,
Lauri Hubach, Sally Readinger, and Becky Woods.

Sending Healing Prayers



Pray

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



Please add the following people to your prayers:

Jim Raesler	Karin Andy	Lois Barnes	Darlene Mudrich
Bev Mischka	Jim Brown	Ruth Kossow	Serita Reyes
Debbie Raesler	Joyce Darakis	May Poor	Glenn Miskov
Don & Jean Swift	Sherry Spratt	Roger Becker	
Audrey Montgomery	Valentino Dziak	Carol Battenhouse	

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

Unfailing Love

**This is my commandment,
that you love one another as I have loved you.
John 15:12**

The **Neighbors in Need** UCC's annual offering to support ministries of justice and compassion throughout the United States, including the Council for American Indian Ministries (CAIM), justice and advocacy efforts, and direct service projects funded by the UCC's Justice and Witness Ministries will be **Oct. 3**. Special envelopes will be provided.

Two-thirds of the offering is used by the UCC's Justice and Witness Ministries to fund a wide array of local and national justice initiatives, advocacy efforts, and direct service projects. Through ucc.org/justice, our national Justice and Witness Ministries office offers resources, news updates, and action alerts on a broad spectrum of justice issues. *Thank you for contributing to this great cause!*



Animal Blessings

Sat., Oct. 2 | 10 AM

We invite you to come to our Animal Blessings Service, this coming Saturday at 10:00 AM. Pastor Chris will bless your animals on the front lawn of the church.

All are welcomed!



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

Wednesday Breeze Chapel Service: 7:00 p.m.

Please visit our website, www.stpetersamherst.org to make your donation electronically via Breeze or PayPal.
If you would like more detailed information, contact the church office.

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