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**SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE 10 AM**  
**SUNDAY SCHOOL 10-11 AM**

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582 Church Street  
Amherst, Ohio 44001

Sunday Worship Service 10:00 a.m.  
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**THE KEY**

ST. PETER'S U.C.C.  
582 CHURCH STREET  
AMHERST, OH 44001





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Dear St. Peter's Members and Friends,

*Christ Jesus appointed 70 others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. (Luke 10 verse 1, NRSV)*

Numbers often signal something of importance. Economists love numbers. So do historians and pollsters. Numbers turn up in dreams, mark anniversaries, announce a new year and celebrate birthdays. Numbers help measure, weigh, keep track, assess; they puzzle and challenge; they are in storybook and song and ... the Bible.

Seventy, says Luke's gospel. Why 70? A literal explanation will only frustrate. For instance, Jesus traveled within a days walk (20 miles or so) from the Sea of Galilee for most of his ministry, except his journey to Jerusalem. The Gospel narratives together fall short of naming 35 towns and places (the 70 went out in pairs). Why 70?

In Genesis, following the story of the flood, we are told Noah's three sons have children. Together, Noah's son's decendants number seventy: 70 nations that inhabit the whole world. They inhabit the whole world; the Israelites become one nation, a part. Luke wants us to know that Jesus appoints 70 because the good news of God for all through Christ Jesus gets proclaimed to "the whole world." And this effort? It begins every time a pair of persons who follow the way of Jesus offer their heart to another in Jesus' name and invite these new relationships to experience and know "Christ's peace."

St. Peter's, you are experiencing and knowing Christ's peace. It bubbles up in cottage and congregational conversations. Self-giving service and care to those who are least, lost and or lonely express Christ's peace. It arrives every time your deep gladness for God responds to a profound need. It blossoms and blooms in your worship praise and thanksgiving and in your communal celebration. Altogether giving shape, form and voice to Christ's peace signals St. Peter's core values, deep purpose and identity. Holy Spirit is helping you advance toward the task of writing and publishing a church profile.

July includes a Council and Leadership Retreat, and opportunity for you, members and friends, to continue to explore together St. Peter's holy vocation. Numbers often signal something important. Know that you matter, that you count. Know that everywhere you go, with God's help, prepares a place for God in Christ, and that God in Christ is everywhere you go.

Peace,

**Sermon Study Scripture for July and August**

- 7 July: Luke 10:1-11, 16-20 - Jesus appoints and sends seventy disciples to go ahead of him...  
2 Kings 5:1-19 - A story about healing.
- 14 July Luke 10:25-37 - A story about a mugging. Then help.
- 21 July Luke 10:38-42 - A story about two sisters. (Guest minister Jim Edwards. Pastor Arlen away on annual fly-fishing trip)
- 28 July Luke 11:1-13 - All about prayer.
- 4 August Luke 12:13-22. A story about choices.
- 11 August Luke 12:35-40. A story about watching and readiness.  
Guest minister. Pastor Arlen on vacation.
- 18 August Luke 12:54-59. A story about paying close attention. Guest minister. Pastor Arlen on vacation.
- 25 August Luke 13:10-17. A story of healing. Guest minister. Pastor Arlen on vacation.
- 1 September Luke 14:1, 7-14. A story about mealtime and guests. Guest minister. Pastor Arlen on vacation.



## General Updates and News

### VBS Registration

Registration for VBS this year is now open until July 1 at 11 PM online or in person July 1 at 2 PM. You may go to <http://tmab.cokesburyvbs.com/Ststpeters> to register, and to the St. Peter's website [stpetersamherst.org](http://stpetersamherst.org) to pay through the donate option. All payments are due by July 1. VBS is for ages 4 years through 6th grade and will be held July 8-July 12 from 9:30 AM-12:30PM.

### Quilt Raffle

We will be raffling off a quilt made and donated by Kaye Koler. We will raffle it at various functions, and on Sundays! \$1/ticket or \$5 for 6 tickets. Ticket will be drawn at the Block party on August 18! Need not be present to win! Proceeds will go to the Stained-Glass Window Fund!



### Block Party

St. Peter's U.C.C. Cordially Invites You and Your Family, Neighbors, Community Groups and Ministry Groups that use St. Peter's Church to our 6th Annual Appreciation Day/Block Party Saturday, August 18, 2019, Time 4 - 7 p.m.

Food - Snow Cones - Children's Games & Activities  
Classic Cars - Tours of the Building - Live Music  
Featuring Dan Swift - Demonstrations - Laughter

All ages are welcome  
Stay for a little, stay for a lot  
This party is for you!



### Food Bank

In June, a total of **60** items were taken to Good Shepherd Baptist Church Food Bank. Thank you for your generous donations.

### A Letter from Council

Hi Everyone,

Church council continues updating the church rental fee and other rental details.

Council is planning a retreat for all church leaders on July 13.

One item to be covered will be to expend our agreement with Pastor Arlen for another year.

Blessings,

Shelley

### Church will be closed

The church will be closed Thursday July 4th in observation of Independence Day. Normal office hours will return Friday morning. St. Peter's wishes everyone a Happy Independence Day but please remember to be safe and responsible during the holiday weekend.

### A Note From Compassionate Care - Renew

#### Early Ohio driver licenses and ID cards

To comply with federal regulations and to ensure greater security and identity protection for customers, and the Ohio Bureau of Motor Vehicles is introducing the new Ohio driver license and ID (DL-ID) card, effective July 2, 2018. The deadline to convert to the new cards is Oct 1, 2020.

Consider renewing early if you want to have a driver license or identification card that is federally compliant.

To make it easier to understand, the Helpful arm of Compassionate Care has provided a copy of the acceptable document list from BMV. The list is either on the tables or the shelf rack in back of the sanctuary. Help yourself to a copy.

Info taken from the State of Ohio BMV website referencing the required new DL-ID cards.

### Church Council June Meeting Summary:

Donations for the month of March totaled \$12,141.70. Total donations received from January 1, 2018 thru May 31, 2019 totaled \$69,725.45.

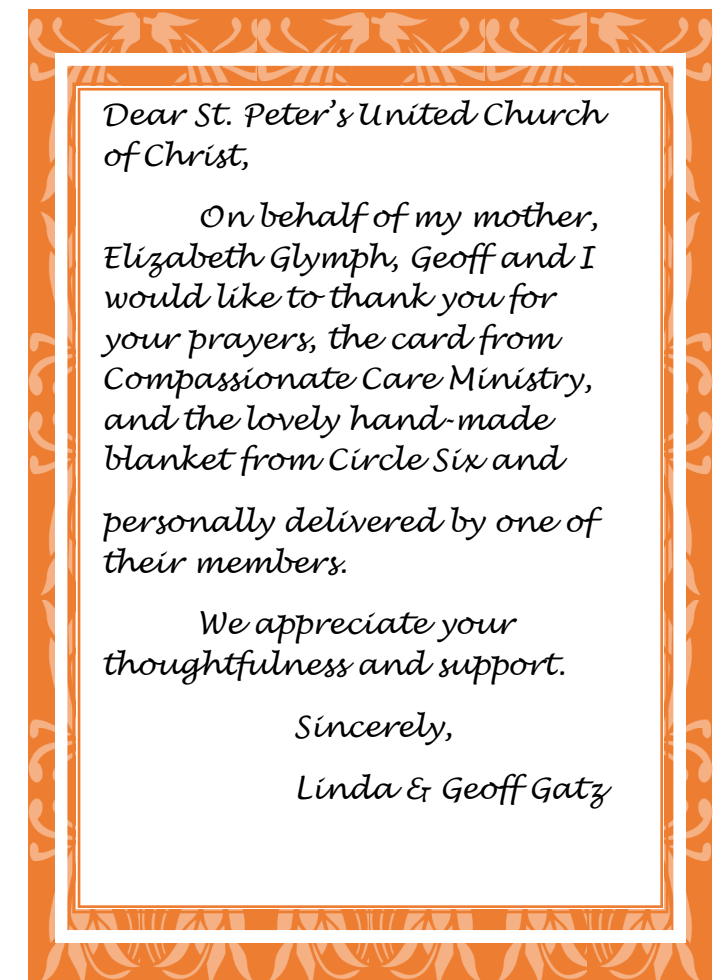
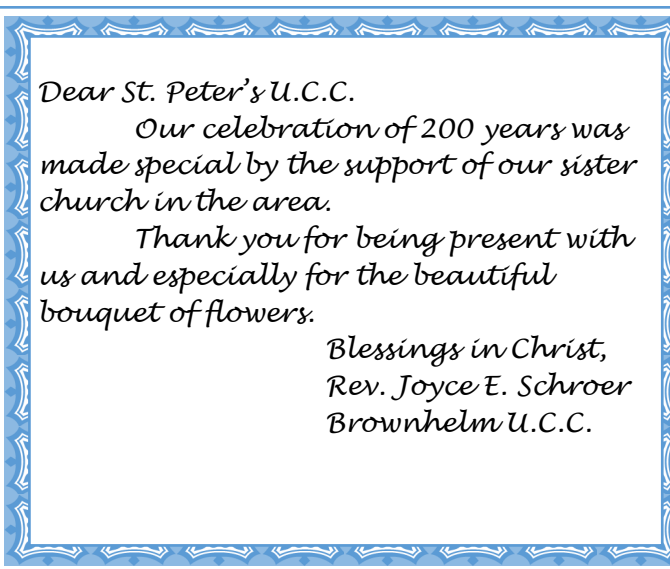
The General Fund ended the month of May in the **negative**. The General Fund Balance as of May 31, 2019 was **(\$26,738.31)**.

Parking Lot repaving will be done in July.

Garden memorial for Reverend Bammel will be completed in July.

There will be a church retreat for church leaders and committees Saturday, July 13<sup>th</sup> from 8am to 3:30pm. The location for the retreat is being determined.

### Thank You St. Peter's





# PRAYER LIST



Please keep the following in your prayers:

Norm Kurth, Pat Logar, May Poor, Mike Harmych, Joyce, Chris and Terry Darakis, Jim Brown, Steve Cooksey, Tom Hollstein, Julia Damon, George Small, Ruth Kossow, Bev Mischka and all those with conflicts or concerns left unspoken.

If you know of any member who wishes to be placed on the prayer list or to be removed from the list, please contact the church office at (440) 988-4965.



## JULY BIRTHDAYS

7/1	Susan Krieg	7/11	Judith Polansky	7/20	Ethan Link
7/2	Logan Bruce	7/12	Marjorie Marshall	7/20	Travis Mead
7/2	Dean Coghlan	7/13	Gary Haglund	7/22	Amy Gentry
7/2	Ruth Husar	7/15	David Leuszler	7/22	Teri Walter
7/3	Dawn Bonnett	7/15	Carri Thompson	7/23	Colin Kossow
7/4	James Adkins	7/16	Denise DiLuciano	7/23	Theodore Mudrich
7/6	Karen Geduldig	7/16	Janis Kurth	7/23	Gary Thompson
7/6	Patricia Wolf	7/17	Caroline Cooksey	7/26	Wendy Kosakowski
7/8	Crystal Diaz	7/18	Diane Barnum	7/28	Genna Muriello
7/8	Allen Erhart	7/18	Janet Ranney	7/28	Gary Orseno
7/11	Lisa Jeskie	7/19	Erin Link	7/29	Maxine Miller

If we missed your birthday, please let us know. Call Katie at 440-988-4965.

### RECIPES from the kitchens of St. Peter's members:

#### Fried Green Tomatoes



#### Ingredients

- 1 cup all-purpose flour
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon pepper
- 5 green tomatoes, sliced 1/2 inch thick
- 1 cup crushed saltine crackers
- 2 eggs, beaten

#### Preparation

1. In a small bowl, stir together the flour, salt and pepper. Place the crushed saltine crackers in another bowl, and the beaten eggs in a third bowl.
2. Melt the butter in a large skillet over medium heat. Dip each tomato slice in the egg to coat, then in the flour mixture. Dip the floured tomato slice back into the egg, and then into the cracker crumbs.
3. Place the coated tomato slices in the hot skillet, and fry until golden brown on each side, about 3 to 5 minutes per side. Add more butter to the pan, if necessary. Serve hot!

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
	Yoga 9:30-10:45 AM	Bible Study 10AM Fireside Room	Arabic's Hours 9:30-11AM Yoga 9:30-10:45AM	OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED		
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Communion Worship 10AM	VBS 9:30AM-12:30PM Yoga 9:30-10:45 AM MovementWorks 10:45AM-4:30PM Executive Committee 6:30 PM	VBS 9:30AM-12:30PM Bible Study 10AM Pastor's Office Trustees Meeting 11AM Church Office MovementWorks 10:45AM-4:30PM Preschool Board Meeting 7PM	VBS 9:30AM-12:30PM Arabic's Hours 9:30-11AM Yoga 9:30-10:45 AM MovementWorks 10:45AM-4:30PM	VBS 9:30AM-12:30PM MovementWorks 10:45AM-4:30PM	VBS 9:30AM-12:30PM	Council Retreat
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
Worship 10 AM Adult Confirmation Class 12PM Youth Confirmation Class 2PM	Yoga 9:30-10:45 AM MovementWorks 3:30-8:45PM Council Meeting 7 PM/FR	Bible Study 10AM Fireside Room MovementWorks 3:30-8:45PM	Arabic's Hours 9:30-11AM Yoga 9:30-10:45 AM MovementWorks 3:30-8:45PM	MovementWorks 3:30-8:45PM	MovementWorks 3:30-8:45PM	
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
Worship 10 AM	Yoga 9:30-10:45 AM	Bible Study 10AM Fireside Room	Arabic's Hours 9:30-11AM Yoga 9:30-10:45 AM			
28	29	30	31			
Family Worship 10 AM Noisy Collection Adult Confirmation Class 12PM Youth Confirmation Class 2PM	Yoga 9:30-10:45 AM	Bible Study 10AM Fireside Room	Arabic's Hours 9:30-11AM Yoga 9:30-10:45 AM			