



ST. PETER'S
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST



April 21, 2024
Fourth Sunday of Easter

ORDER OF WORSHIP

**(Stand as you are able.)*

GATHERING MUSIC

Greeting Announcements Birthdays Anniversaries

PASTOR: *"This is the day the Lord has made.
Let us rejoice and be glad in it!"*

PRELUDE: *"Prelude in G minor", J. S. Bach*

*CALL TO WORSHIP: **(Stand as you are able.) Shelley Harmych*

Leader: O come, let us sing to the Lord;
let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

**People: Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving;
let us make a joyful noise to him with songs
of praise!**

Leader: For the Lord is a great God,
and a great King above all gods.

**People: In his hand are the depths of the earth;
the heights of the mountains are his also.**

Leader: The sea is his, for he made it, and the dry land,
which his hands have formed.

*HYMN OF PRAISE: #517 *"I'd Rather Have Jesus"*

* **MORNING PRAYER/INVOCATION** *(Unison) Shelley Harmych*

We praise you, O God, that by the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ, you have delivered us from the power of death, making us alive to serve you. Free us from pride of self that we may live in community with one another and with all your people. Free us from fear of the principalities and powers of this world that we may live and speak with courage, guided by your

Spirit. Keep us rooted and grounded in your love, and fill us with the power of your Spirit. Be glorified in our life together; through Jesus our risen Savior. Amen.

(Please be seated)

HYMN OF MEDITATION: #433 *“Sweet Hour of Prayer”*

PASTORAL PRAYER **THE LORD’S PRAYER** *(debts/debtors)*

A TIME OF LISTENING TO GOD’S WORD

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON: JOHN 21:1-8 #883 Shelley Harmych

SPIRITUAL REFLECTION: “JESUS AMONG HIS DISCIPLES, PART 3”

A TIME OF GIVING

OFFERING INVITATION

OFFERTORY MUSIC

Doxology **(Stand as you are able.)* #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. *(Please be seated.)*

*(**alternate: Creator, Christ and Spirit, One. Amen)*

OFFERTORY PRAYER

A TIME OF GOING OUT

THE PEACE OF CHRIST

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

*HYMN SENDING FORTH: #43 *“Great is Thy Faithfulness”*

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE: *"From Heaven Above to Earth I Come"*, Walther
(Please remain seated "quietly" during the postlude.)

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Everyone is Welcome!

Feel at home, for Christ Jesus is our host. If you are visiting for the first time, we are delighted to have you here!

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

Pulpit Supply	Rev. Monica Harmon
Organist	Allen Cadwallader
Zoom Director	Mary K. Kirsch
Worship Producer	Brian Schieferstein
Handbell Choir Director	Shelley Harmych
Choir Director	Jennifer Wasilk
Scripture Reader	Shelley Harmych
Ushers	Earl Wiegand, Betty Bekare Fred Helyes, Linda Helyes

Church News

Congratulations to

Cole & Macy Eichenlaub on their Wedding
April 14, 2024 (Mary-K's daughter)

Please note that Darlene Isaacs will be renting the Hall/Sanctuary this afternoon from 1:45-5:45 PM. Her son Henry will be receiving his Eagle Scout Court of Honor. Dave Rice will be the Event Monitor. Thank you Dave!

Ponderings about St. Peter's

Have you seen the Mark Wahlberg ads on T.V. asking you to join him in prayer? Do some of you remember when St. Peter's reached out via the telephone to offer prayer?

Records show that beginning in 1970 and at least through 2003, St. Peter's U.C.C. had "Dial-A-Prayer" at 988-2323. It shared a daily devotional with prayer. This was intended to help people in distress, fear, illness and stress. The cost per year was \$500.00; to cover a second phone line, an answering machine and recording tapes. When Rev. Happel was here, he wrote and recorded different messages for each day. He said: *"Many people say they were down in the dumps, called Dial-A-Prayer, and got hooked – they call every day as a daily devotional aid."* The church averaged 300 calls a month.



Sandstone Coffee House, Amherst
Wednesday from 9-11:00 a.m.

Rummage Sale Cancelled

Fellow Church Members, it has been decided that the rummage sale that was scheduled in July will be cancelled, due to renovations in the Fellowship Hall. Any questions can be directed to Sue Conkle, or Geoff Gatz. Thank you.

Solar Eclipse Glasses wanted!

Please bring your solar eclipse glasses to the church. They will be collected by me for Firelands High School who is going to send them to Latin America for their next eclipse in August. *Thank you! Mary-K Kirsch*

April Coffee Hour Donations

Please note that the April Coffee Hour donations will be going for lawn care this year. *Thank you for your generosity!*

YOGA with Mary-K

St. Peter's UCC, enter Chapel door to the lower level | Cost: \$10
Wednesday Mornings | 8:30-9:45 AM (arrive by 8:25 AM)
Thursday Evenings | 6:00-7:15 PM (arrive by 5:55 PM)

THERE IS A REAL NEED FOR THE FOLLOWING ITEMS
for the **CHILDREN'S WEEKEND BACKPACK PROGRAM.**

- . Single Serving PB & Jelly
- . Peanut Butter Crackers
- . Canned Soup (Pop top lids)
- . Spaghetti-Os (Pop top lids)
- . Mac & Cheese (Microwavable)
- . Individual Cereals
- . Granola Bars
- . Fruit Cups & Jello Cups
- . Oatmeal Packages
- . Small Bag Pretzels
- . Small Bag Chips

Please leave your donations
in the drop boxes
at church.



Thank you!

We are also collecting 'regular food items' for families with food insecurities. Please leave your donations in the drop off boxes at the church. Pam Miskov will make sure donations are delivered.
Thanks to Pam and everyone who donates.

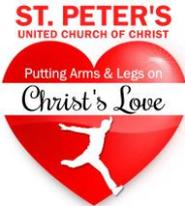
Amherst Leo Club Update

The Amherst Leo Club has been collecting plastic bags for several years through TREX Recycling. They have 1 year to collect 1000 lbs. So far, they have donated 5+ benches to the Amherst area. Thank you for helping them to achieve their goals. *Your Amherst Lion Representatives, Christine Burman and Dave Rice.*

Please fill out the Participation cards and drop into the offering plate. *Cards should be filled out weekly.* Thank you!

Help us continue to move forward in faith by submitting your pledge card, if you have not already done so. Thank you.

“When leaving the church, please make sure to push the door closed. There have been times it’s left unlocked.” *Thank you!*



At St. Peter's we work together in love to build strong foundations for our lives in Christ. This firm foundation allows us to put **“Arms and Legs on Christ's love in the world”** We believe that God is calling you to be embraced by God's radical love and to be a part of this foundation of faith.

Join us LIVE on **Facebook: St. Peter's UCC Amherst, OH**

Zoom: Meeting ID: 524 411 3917 | Passcode: 379205
(or call in with phone: 1 929 205 6099)

The service will be posted at a later date to view on our **YouTube channel: St Peters UCC Amherst**



This Week's Events

- Mon., April 22 Communion Visits, 1-4 PM
Tues., April 23 Bible Study, Zoom, 7 PM
Wed., April 24 YOGA with Mary-K, 8:30-9:45 AM
Coffee Chats, Sandstone, 9-11 AM
Thurs., April 25 YOGA with Mary-K, 6:00-7:15 PM
Handbell Choir Rehearsal, 7 PM
Sun., April 28 Worship Service, 10 AM, Rev. Monica Harmon

How To Reach Us

Office Hours: Mon.–Fri. 8:30-12:30 PM and 1-2:30 PM

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We are currently searching for a new pastor. If you need help, please contact either Christine or Kaye at the phone numbers below.

Christine Burman, Church Council President
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Kaye Oswald, Church Office Administrator
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