



ST. PETER'S
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

He's got the
WHOLE WORLD
IN HIS HANDS



My prayer is not for the world,
but for those you have given me
because they belong to you.

September 15, 2024
Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

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: *"Jesus, Lover of my Soul", Held*

*CALL TO WORSHIP: **(Stand as you are able.) Susan Cherry*

Leader: Whenever you stand or kneel praying, forgive.

People: Forgive if you have something against anyone.

Leader: Whatever you ask for in prayer, believe.

People: Believe that you will receive it, if it is right for you.

Leader: This is the confidence we should have in the Lord.

People: If we ask anything according to his will, He hears us.

*HYMN OF PRAISE: #431 *"I Am Praying For You"*

***MORNING PRAYER/INVOCATION** *(Unison) Susan Cherry*

This morning we open our hearts, our ears and our minds to hear words of hope for the future. We know you love us and only want the best you believe is right for us as we come to church to hear your words of faith, love, kindness and hope in this confused world today full of hate, anger and fear. Show us the way Lord to become your servants sharing with others the way to happiness and peace. In your name we pray. Amen.

(Please be seated)

HYMN OF MEDITATION: #433 vs. 1-2 *"Sweet Hour of Prayer"*

A TIME OF LISTENING TO GOD'S WORD Susan Cherry

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: PSALM 135:1-3 #501

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON: JOHN 17:9-10 #879

SPIRITUAL REFLECTION: "HOW DO I PRAY?"

PASTORAL PRAYER LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done; on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

A TIME OF GIVING

PASTOR: 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)*

PASTOR: OFFERTORY PRAYER

A TIME OF GOING OUT

PASTOR: THE PEACE OF CHRIST

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

*HYMN SENDING FORTH: #429 *"Lord Listen to Your Children Praying"* (sing twice)

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE: "Gavotte", Wesley
(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

Lay Minister	Carol Struck
Organist	Allen Cadwallader
Zoom Director	Mary K. Kirsch
Worship Producer	Brian Schieferstein
Handbell Choir Director	Shelley Harmych
Choir Director	Jennifer Wasilk
Scripture Reader	Susan Cherry
Ushers	Fred Helyes, Lynda Helyes Shelley Harmych, Dave Rice

Church News

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ST. ED'S VARSITY SOCCER SCHEDULE

<u>Sept. 19 / 7pm</u>	<u>Wooster-Senior Night</u>	<u>Home</u>
<u>Sept. 21 / 12:45pm</u>	<u>Perrysburg</u>	<u>Away</u>

More details at: <https://www.stedwardeagles.com/sports/soccer/varsity/>

Ponderings about St. Peter's

Often there are items I find that have no dates, names or sources; but they still hold gems about our past. Today Circle Six is known for it's "Pumpkin Rolls" and homemade "Christmas Cookies". In the past the women of St. Peter's cast their nets farther in raising money for church causes.

MIDWAY MALL BAZAAR will be held May 21st and 22nd and the INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL will be held July 2nd,3rd, and 4th. Plan to bake your finest pastries for it is only thru your culinary expertise that our Church has its claim to fame! Arrangements will be made for pick-ups. The Special Events Committee thanks all of you in advance and will put more stars in your crowns for everyone who bakes and comes out to work!

The Big Day is almost here! Centennial Celebration, Sept. 22nd



Bring your family and friends! It's time to Celebrate and Rededicate our Art Glass Windows! Service is at **10:00 AM** followed by a **Potluck Meal** in Fellowship Hall! Thank you to all who have helped to make this special day possible! -Linda Gatz

Coffee Chats 

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

Handbell Choir Practice

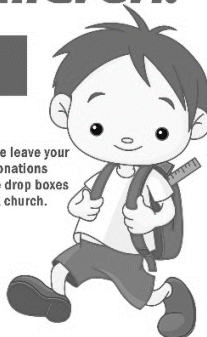
Handbell ringers, please join us on Thursdays at the church at 7:00 PM. We hope to see everyone! *Thank you, Shelley Harmych*

Help Feed our Children!

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. There is a **GREAT NEED** for the following items for the Food Pantry:

- 1. Peanut Butter**
- 2. Spaghetti Sauce**
- 3. Canned Tuna or Chicken**

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 for all you do in helping others!

Circle Six Meeting BLANKETS

Our next meeting will be **Tuesday, October 1 at 6:00 PM** in Fellowship Hall. Members are to bring their own boxed dinner and beverage. As we do every October, we'll be making blankets that are given to members of the congregation (and their family members) that are hospitalized or undergoing treatment. If you know of anyone who should be given a blanket and hasn't already received one, please contact Pam Miskov or Jan Orseno.

Blessings, Sally Readinger, President

St. Elizabeth Homeless Shelter

2726 Caroline Ave., Lorain

Wednesday, **Sept. 18th**, we will need volunteer(s) to serve starting at **4:30 PM**. Please note we are servicing ice cream through the summer to give our bakers a break. If you want to help or have questions, please call Betty Pekare at **440-245-1231**.

YOGA with Mary-K

After an August hiatus, Thursday yoga resumes in September:
Wednesday 8:30 am - 9:45 am and Thursday 6:00 pm - 7:15 pm.

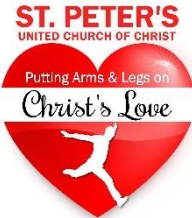
For September, we will begin some light weight training to build muscle and burn fat. And we will continue doing our favorite core yoga poses.



To check out the **preschool wish list** on Amazon, you can turn the camera on for your smart phone and focus on the QR code for it to bring up the wish list in Amazon.

It's also available at:

https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/3JJACUT4CQHYG?ref=wl_share



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., Sept. 16 Communion Visits, 1-4 PM
 Council Meeting, 7 PM, Zoom
- Tues., Sept. 17 Bible Study, Zoom, 7 PM
- Wed., Sept. 18 YOGA with Mary-K, 8:30-9:45 AM
 Coffee Chats, Sandstone, 9-11 AM
 St. Elizabeth Homeless Meal, 4:30 PM
- Thurs., Sept. 19 YOGA with Mary-K, 6:00-7:15 PM
 Handbell Choir practice, 7 PM
- Sun., Sept. 22 Worship Service, 10 AM, Rev. Dr. Nichols
 Centennial Celebration, 10 AM & potluck
 Voice Choir rehearsal, 9 AM

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

How To Reach Us

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

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