



**ST. PETER'S**  
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

And he said to them, "Follow me,  
and I will make you fishers of people."



IMMEDIATELY THEY  
LEFT THEIR NETS  
AND FOLLOWED HIM!

May 25, 2025 | Sixth Sunday of Easter

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

*\*(Stand as you are able.) + (if needed, use green insert in hymnal rack)*

## GATHERING MUSIC

Words of Welcome and Announcements

ORGAN PRELUDE: *"Prelude in C major"*, Alfred Hollins 1865-1942

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP** (responsive) Pastor Mike Boehm

Leader: We gather together in joy to welcome those who will be joining us.

**People: We gather in sadness as we remember those who gave their lives for our freedom.**

Leader: We gather in thanksgiving for those who risked their lives to give us peace.

**People: On this day of memory and celebration we gather to give thanks to God above, who has chosen us to be His people. Amen.**

\*HYMN #571 *"My Country Tis of Thee"*, AMERICA, Thesaurus Musicus, c. 1745 (see insert)

Sharing Joys and Concerns:

Pastoral Prayer

+Lord's Prayer (debts & debtors)

Responsorial Psalm: *Deus misereatur*. Psalm 67, Plainsong Mode II

\*HYMN #19 *"All My Hope on God is Founded"*, MICHEAL, Herbert Howells 1892-1983 (see insert)

## RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

Gayle Beiswenger, Rev. Mike Boehm, Cindy Boehm,  
Edward Brandon, Neva Brandon, Leslie Kreeger,  
Sherrill McLoda, Gerald Rush, Joy Zickefoose

HYMN #575: *"Eternal Father, Strong to Save"*, MELITA,  
John Bacchus Dykes 1823-1876 (see insert)

## RECOGNITION OF VETERANS

Lois Barnes-Navy, Walter Beale-U.S. Army,  
Richard Berry-U.S. Marine, Sam Bonfiglio-U.S. Marine Corps,  
Ed Brandon, Korea War Veteran,  
William Carpenter-U.S. Air Force, Art Diaz-U.S. Army,  
Tom Hollstein-U.S. Army, Fred Helyes-U.S. Navy,  
Jo Janas-U.S. Air Force, Larry Johnson-U.S. Air Force,  
Dick McCurdy-U.S. Marine Corps, Dave Rice-U.S. Air Force,  
Gerald Rush-U.S. Army, Gary Thompson-U.S. Navy

## **HEARING THE WORD OF GOD**

Vicki Zeller

Judges 7:1-7 #195

Matthew 4:18-22 #785

\* + Gloria Patri #623

SERMON: "Chosen"

## **OFFERING**

Offertory: *"Pièce No. 12 in B- Flat major"*, François Benoist  
1794-1878

\* + Doxology #625

\*Prayer of Dedication

\*Sharing the Peace of Christ

\*HYMN #569 *"Battle Hymn of the Republic"*, BATTLE HYMN,  
Eugene Thomas 1841-1918 (see insert)

\*BENEDICTION

\*Choral Benediction *"God Will Take Care of You"*,  
W. Stillman Martin 1862-1935

\*Pastoral Benediction

POSTLUDE: *"Finale in F major, Organ Symphony No.4, Op.13 No.4."*  
Charles- Marie Widor 1844-1937

*(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**

Minister	Pastor Mike Boehm
Organist	Daesean Lawson
Zoom Director	Mary K. Kirsch
Zoom Assistant	Tom Hollstein
Worship Producer	Brian Schieferstein
Choir Director	Jennifer Wasilk
Scripture Reader	Vicki Zeller
Ushers	Lewis Zeller, Vicki Zeller, Fred Helyes, Linda Gatz

# Church News

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## **Rummage Sale! Saturday, June 21**

Donated items can be brought into the Fellowship Hall starting Sunday, June 1 thru Sunday, June 15. No clothing, shoes, Christmas trees, car seats, or large furniture.

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## **Do you have a favorite hymn?**

Please write it down on the back of your Participation card and place in the offering plate. *Thank you, Jen Wasilk*

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## *Help Feed our Children*

Items needed for Children's Weekend Backpack Program

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

*There's also a great need for the following items for the Food Pantry:*

**1. Peanut Butter   2. Spaghetti Sauce   3. Canned Tuna/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!

## Two Bible Studies at St. Peter's - Join us!

Due to a fantastic response, we will be hosting two Bible studies in the very near future. There will be a **Tuesday afternoon study from two to three o'clock p.m.** and a **Thursday morning study from ten to eleven a.m.** Both studies will be identical. There will be a brief meeting in the Fireside Room on June 1 following worship for all interested parties.

Thanks, Pastor Mike

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## Walking on Wednesdays

St. Peter's will have a table for the Walking on Wednesday's this summer starting on June 11. Christine will man the table this month and could use 3 more volunteers to help by tending the booth, passing out flyers, water, pens, etc. If you're available, please contact Christine Burman.

## Ponderings About St. Peter's



The Rev. Adolph Egli served as the pastor of our church from 1913-1923. He had two sons who both entered the ministry and were installed at St. Peter's by their father. He also had four lovely daughters who not only shared their musical talents with the congregation but also performed in the community.

At that time Amherst had an Opera House on the second floor of our City Hall. On May 19, 1921, a Concert was given by the Egli Sisters Concert Co. which consisted of Miss Hulda Egli, Director: Soprano, Violin, Piano, Verse; Miss Martha Egli: Soprano and Cornet; Miss Elizabeth "Elsie" Egli: Alto and Drums; and Miss Lydia Egli: Alto, Violin and Piano. The program had two parts with a total of 18 pieces. Another concert was given under the auspices of the Brotherhood of St. Peter's Church and raised \$175. Still another concert included their brothers: Armin on the violin, and Oscar singing baritone. Their audiences were reported to be "large and appreciative". I wonder how many of us share our gifts and talents not only with our church but the community.



The office will be closed Monday, May 26 in observance of Memorial Day, as we remember and honor the U.S. military personnel who have died while serving in the United States armed forces.

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## Host & Hostess Summer Program

Starting in June we will again have the Host & Hostess Program for coffee hour in the Fellowship Hall after worship featuring donuts and coffee! There will be a signup sheet posted by the elevator in the kitchen. Donations will be used for outdoor church improvements. Thank you.

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## YOGA with Mary-K

Wednesday Mornings | 8:30-9:45 AM

Thursday Evenings | 6:00-7:15 PM

Cost is \$10 per class.

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

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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**

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Mon., May 26	Memorial Day Office Closed
Tues., May 27	Bible Study 7 PM Zoom
Wed., May 28	YOGA with Mary-K 8:30-9:45 AM Coffee Chats, Sandstone 9-11 AM
Thurs., May 29	Communion Visitations 2-4 PM YOGA with Mary-K, 6-7:15 PM Handbell Rehearsal, 7 PM
Sun., June 1	Worship Service 10 AM Rummage Sale Meeting after worship

### **How To Reach Us**

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**Office Hours:** Monday–Thursday 8:30-2:30 PM

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