



August 3, 2025 | Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

ORDER OF WORSHIP

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

GATHERING MUSIC

Words of Welcome and Announcements

PRELUDE: Selected Pieces

*CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive) Pastor Mike Boehm

Leader: Come together to worship, and do not worry about time lost or possessions left outside the door.

People: For possessions shall decay on earth, and the time lost in worship shall be gained two-fold in heaven.

Leader: So, come and worship without reservation. Store up your treasures in heaven.

People: Let praise and song be our possessions. Let worship be our wealth. Praise God forever.

*HYMN #277 "The Church's One Foundation", vs. 1, 3, 4

INVOCATION (unison)

Lynette Rogers

Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, be with us this day in this hour of worship, and remind us that You are the most important in our lives. Fancy houses will one day crumble with age, and expensive cars will ultimately rust away. But You endure forever and beyond. Time and age cannot separate us from You, and we will go on in heaven when our possessions have long since been forgotten. Forgive us when we place worldly things ahead of You. Keep us steadfast in the knowledge that now is just a fleeting moment in the scheme of eternity. In the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit we pray. Amen.

*HYMN #322 "In Remembrance"

Sharing Joys and Concerns:

Pastoral Prayer

+Lord's Prayer (debts & debtors)

Special Music: "Passacaglia", played by Lynette Rogers G.F. Handel/J. Halvorsen

HEARING THE WORD OF GOD

Lynette Rogers

Ecclesiastes 1:1-2, 12-14 #536, 537

Luke 12:13-21 #847

* + Gloria Patri #623

SERMON: "Fleeting Glory"

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION (use booklet in hymnal rack)

OFFERING

Offertory: Selected Pieces

* + Doxology #625

*Prayer of Dedication

*Sharing the Peace of Christ

*HYMN #279 "Faith of Our Fathers", vs. 1,3,4

*BENEDICTION

*Pastoral Benediction

POSTLUDE: Selected Pieces

(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

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Flowers on the Altar



Flowers on the altar are given by Terry Deliman *in loving memory* of his beloved mother, Bev Mischka, and sister Susan Deliman. Thank you Terry for beautifying the house of God in memory of your loved ones.



"Perhaps they are not stars in the sky, but rather openings where our loved ones shine down to let us know they are happy." -Eskimo Sayin

GriefShare* | Thursdays, Aug. 14-Nov. 6

Our GriefShare* {sic} program will begin on Thursday, August 14th and end on Thursday, November 6th from 2-4 PM. The program will be held in the Sanctuary and the Fireside Room, and will incorporate video information and discussion. GriefShare is a Christ centered group program designed to help those who are suffering grief due to the loss of a loved one. All are welcome regardless of how recent or how far in the past your loss occurred. *There is a \$20 fee for course materials which can be waived in cases of extreme need.*

*GriefShare is the registered trademark of Church Initiative.



There's 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!

In case of emergency, there are wheelchairs available for use. One is on the sanctuary level, located behind the door that leads to steps outside, near the pastor office. The second wheelchair is in the cubby off the kitchen, near the lady's restroom. Thank you, Christine D Burman

Ponderings about St. Peter's





Rev. W. A. Walter ministered to St. Peter's from 1883-1890. He and his wife are pictured above. During his tenure the congregation continued to grow, and plans were made to build a larger building. He also served St. John's Church in Lorain which St. Peter's had helped to found. In 1890 Amherst had a population of 1,916 people

and St. Peter's had a congregation of over 165 families. Many businesses and buildings that were then part of the town included: Wilford's Livery, 147 Tenney Ave.; Union (Central) School, 474 Church Street; City Hall (1884), 206 South Main Street; the Post Office, 223 Church Street; and Rawson Electric Co. (Telephone), 280 Church Street. Unfortunately, I have found no additional records related to the Walters or our church during this period and our library has no surviving newspapers from these years. This was a time of growth and development not only for Amherst but for our country. Examples include: 1883- the Brooklyn Bridge opened; 1884- the Washington Monument was completed, and Huckelberry Finn was published; 1885- the Statue of Liberty was dedicated; 1886- Coca Cola was invented; 1889- President Benjamin Harrison was inaugurated; 1890- the 1st American Football Game (played at Ohio State University).

Hotdog Picnic Potluck | **August 17th**

Join us after worship on Sunday, August 17th in the Fellowship Hall for our Hotdog Picnic Potluck. There's a signup sheet in the kitchen to sign up for a variety of 'picnic' food items and/or share your favorite picnic side dish. Bring a friend!

St. Peter's UCC T-Shirts!

We are taking orders for t-shirts. Please see or call Pastor Mike as he has a sign up sheet. The shirt is a Jerzees Dri-Power 50/50 cotton/poly. Sizes and pricing below. We need to order 24 at the minimum to get the following pricing:



SM-XL \$13.49, XXL \$16.49, XXXL \$17.49, XXXXL \$18.49, XXXXXL \$19.49

YOGA with Mary-K Stretch 'n Flex, at your own pace

Wednesday Mornings | 8:30-9:45 AM Thursday Evenings | 6:00-7:15 PM Cost is \$10 per class.

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.



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

Tues., Aug. 5 Bible Study 2-3:00 PM, Fireside Room

Wed., Aug. 6 YOGA with Mary-K 8:30-9:45 AM

Coffee Chats, Sandstone 9-11 AM

Thurs., Aug. 7 Bible Study, 10:30-11:30 AM, Fireside Room

YOGA with Mary-K, 6-7:15 PM

Sun., Aug. 10 Worship Service 10 AM

If anyone would like a Communion visit, please call the office.

How To Reach Us

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Please remember St. Peter's UCC in your estate planning.