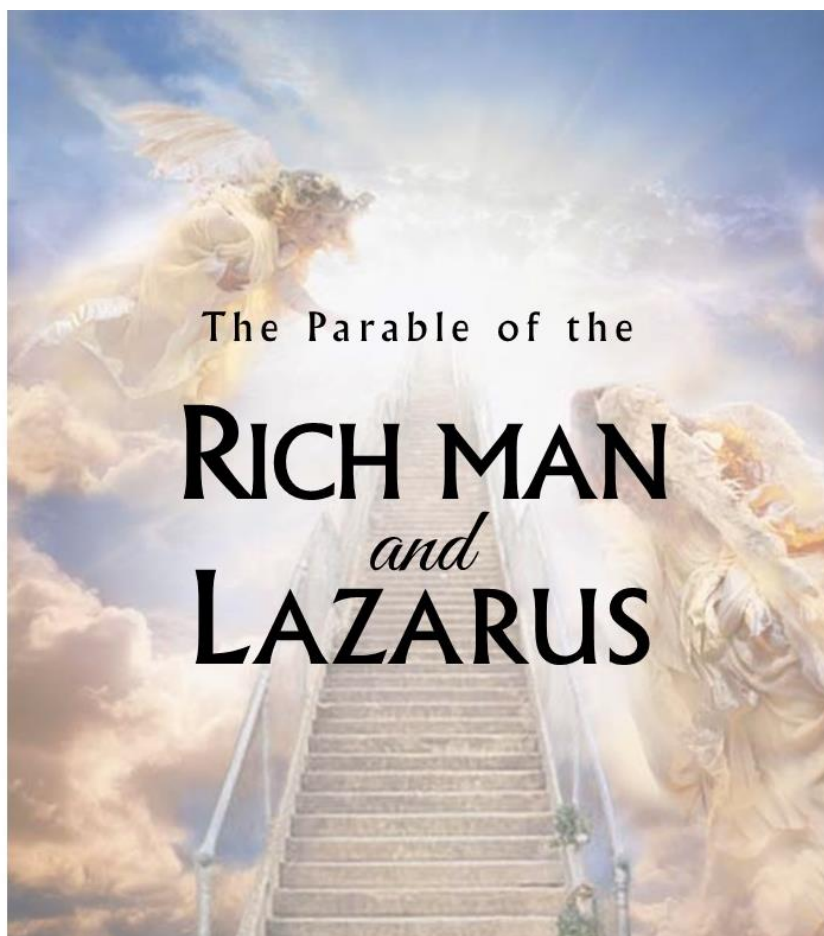




ST. PETER'S
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST



Sept. 28, 2025 | Sixteenth 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

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

Leader: Come together in worship to praise the
Lord of second chances.

**People: Our Father has given us many opportunities
to accept His Son as our Lord and Savior.**

Leader: Our Lord is a God of patience and love.

**People: Let us come to Him and praise Him for His
steadfast faith in us. Amen.**

CHORAL INTROIT

***HYMN #354** *"Leaning On the Everlasting Arms"*

INVOCATION: Sally Readinger

**Almighty Lord of love and patience, hear us as we pray.
You are the Lord of all eternity and without limit in Your
being. Yet your patience has a limit that extends only
to the moment of our death. For while we can seek and
accept salvation up until our last moment, we cannot
seek it beyond the veil of death. We have been warned
that salvation must be sought on this side of death, and
that rule must be enforced if You are to continue to be a
just God. Help us accept salvation now, and help us reach
out to those in need of salvation before it is too late.
In the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit we pray.
Amen.**

HYMN #335 *"Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus"* (sing twice)

Choral Anthem: *"Be Exalted, O God"*

Sharing Joys and Concerns:

Pastoral Prayer

+Lord's Prayer (debts & debtors)

HEARING THE WORD OF GOD

Sally Readinger

Psalm 22:1-8 #434

Luke 16:19-31 #851

* + Gloria Patri #623

SERMON: "Regrets"

OFFERING

Offertory

* + Doxology #625

*Prayer of Dedication

*Sharing the Peace of Christ

*HYMN #376 *"I Have Decided to Follow Jesus"*

*BENEDICTION

*Choral Benediction

*Pastoral Benediction

POSTLUDE

(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
Director of Music	Jennifer Wasilk
Scripture Reader	Sally Readinger
Ushers	Don Ramsey, Marcia Ramsey

Church News

Spread the Word! Join Us for a Special Organ Recital - You're Invited!

Come and experience the beautiful sounds of our historic pipe organ. Enjoy an afternoon of inspiring music performed by our talented organist. Everyone is welcome—bring your friends and family!

Date: Sunday, October 5th

Time: 3:00 P.M.

Location: St. Peter's U.C.C., Amherst, Ohio
Reception afterwards

Let's spread the word and fill the Sanctuary with music lovers!



Help Feed our Children

Items needed for Children's Weekend Backpack Program

- . 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 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!

Ponderings about St. Peter's

Prayer is an important part of our relationship with God and many times we find comfort in reading Psalms. An earlier Key shared the following with the members of St. Peter's.

The 23rd Psalm

The Lord is my shepherd – **That's relationship!**

I shall not want – **That's supply!**

He maketh me to lie down in green pastures – **That's rest!**

He leadeth me beside the still waters – **That's refreshment!**

He restoreth my soul! – **That's healing!**

He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness – **That's guidance!**

For His namesake – **That's purpose!**

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death

– **That's testing!**

I will fear no evil – **That's protection!**

For Thou art with me – **That's faithfulness!**

Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me – **That's discipline!**

Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies

– **That's hope!**

Thou annointest my head with oil – **That's consecration!**

My cup runneth over – **That's abundance!**

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life

– **That's blessing!**

And I will dwell in the house of the Lord – **That's security!**

Forever – **That's eternity!**

St. Peter's Directory Coming Soon

Photographs will be taken during the month of September in Fellowship Hall after service. Also, there will be a short form to fill out with your information . . . phone number(s), email address, home address. This gives us a chance to make sure we have everything up to date. This is for ALL folks coming to St. Peter's. Our last directory was completed in 2019.



Operation Christmas Child is just around the corner. Collection Week is November 17-24th. Once again the shoeboxes are being supplied for you. All you need to do is fill them and include \$10.00 for shipping. Please see Linda Gatz

in Fellowship Hall after the service to get your materials and have your questions answered.

Compassionate Care Meeting

Thursday, Oct. 2 at 10:30 AM in the Fireside Room.

We hope to see everyone there! -Joan Whitman



Carry-out only! SATURDAY, OCT. 25, 4-6:00 PM

Tickets will be available for purchase after Oct. 1st on each Sunday Service or at the church office Mon.-Thurs., 8:30 AM-2:30 PM. A \$15 ticket includes spaghetti, meatballs, sauce, salad, bread & butter, and dessert. Thank you for supporting St. Peter's UCC!

YOGA with Mary-K
Stretch 'n Flex, at your own pace
Wednesday Mornings | 8:30-9:45 AM
Thursday Evenings | 5:45-7 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.

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



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., Sept. 30 Bible Study 2-3:00 PM, Fireside Room
Wed., Oct. 1 YOGA with Mary-K 8:30-9:45 AM
 Coffee Chats, Sandstone 9-11 AM
Thurs., Oct. 2 Bible Study, 10:30-11:30 AM, Fireside Room
 Voice Choir Rehearsal, 1 PM, Sanctuary
 GriefShare, 2-4 PM, Fireside Room
 YOGA with Mary-K, 5:45-7 PM
 Handbell Rehearsal, 7PM, Sanctuary
Sun., Oct. 5 Worship Service 10 AM, Communion Sunday

----- **How To Reach Us** -----

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Please visit our website, **www.stpetersamherst.org**
to make your donation electronically via Breeze or Paypal.

Also, we now have the ability to accept donations by TEXT!

For more detailed information, contact the church office.

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