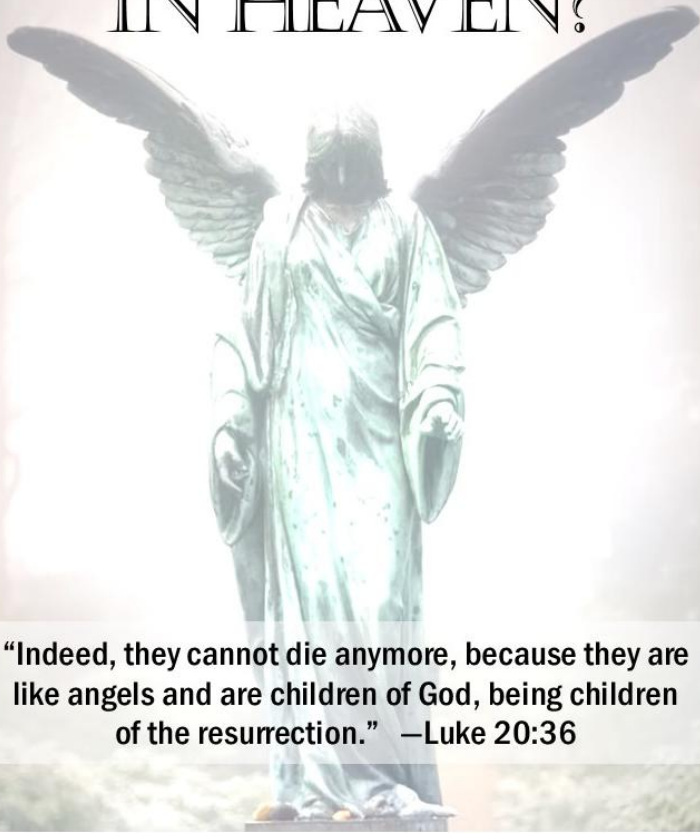




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MARRIAGE IN HEAVEN?



“Indeed, they cannot die anymore, because they are like angels and are children of God, being children of the resurrection.” —Luke 20:36

Nov. 9, 2025 | Twenty-Second 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, let us worship our resurrected Lord.

People: Sing praises to the One who gives us eternal life.

Leader: Never doubt His eternal promises. Have faith in the promise of salvation through Jesus Christ.

People: For God so loved the world that He gave us His only Son. Praise God Almighty! Amen.

CHORAL INTROIT

***HYMN # 573** *"God of Our Fathers"* (and mothers!)

INVOCATION

Les Kreeger

Almighty God, have mercy upon us and forgive us. For we are curious and uncertain about what is to come in the eternity that You have planned for us. We long for heaven, yet in some ways we fear it as well. We know that we should be content with the fact that You love us and have prepared what is best for each of us individually. But it is human nature to want to know what is coming. Stir in each of us and calm our fears and satisfy our longing to know. Help us trust You. In the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit we pray. Amen.

HYMN #108 *"Come Christians, Join to Sing"*

CHORAL ANTHEM: *"In Remembrance"*

Sharing Joys and Concerns:

Pastoral Prayer

+Lord's Prayer (debts & debtors)

HEARING THE WORD OF GOD

Les Kreeger

Luke 20:27-38 #855

Psalm 98 #480

* + Gloria Patri #623

SERMON: "Marriage in Heaven?"

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION (use booklet in hymnal rack)

OFFERING

Offertory

* + Doxology #625

*Prayer of Dedication

*Sharing the Peace of Christ

*HYMN #569 *"Battle Hymn of the Republic"*

*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.

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Jennifer Wasilk
Les Kreeger
Geoff Gatz, Linda Gatz
Lewis Zeller, Vicki Zeller

Church News

Annual Meeting, Sunday, Nov. 16th

On Sunday Nov. 16th immediately following worship, we will be holding our Annual Meeting of the Congregation. Voting members (those who have met the criteria set forth in our current Bylaws) will be voting for those who will hold the positions of Vice-president, Member at Large and Council Secretary. This year we have a multiple-choice ballot. We will also be voting to accept certain Bylaw changes as recommended by council. Coffee hour will be delayed on that Sunday until the meeting is adjourned.



Veterans Day is Tuesday, Nov. 11. Thank you to those who are now serving, and to those who have served in protecting our freedom and our country. *May God bless you and your family for your sacrifice.*

Ponderings about St. Peter's

One of St. Peter's missions is "Caring for Others". In exploring our past this has been something our church has done since its founding. Here is an example.

The first meeting of the St. Peter's Missionary Society was held in the church parlors on Thursday, February 21, 1924. Its objective was to #1- Educate and familiarize members about missionary conditions both at home and abroad; and #2-. Promote and better these conditions as best we can. The 15 members agreed to meet on the third Thursday of the month, and to pay dues of a minimum of 10 cents a month. Officers were elected, committees were formed, and the Executive Committee was tasked with writing a constitution for the group. Over the years they purchased study books to grow their knowledge and understanding of foreign lands. For example, in 1926 they studied "Building with India". True to their stated purpose they helped families in Lorain after the tornado; supported an orphanage in Jerusalem and a Honduras Boarding School; sent medical supplies to a hospital in India; and supported the Red Cross. These are only a few examples. In 1925 they contributed \$91.00 to foreign missions which today would amount to \$1671.62. Over the years this society would grow and stay true to their mission. What a wonderful heritage these ladies left for us.



Circle Six Pumpkin Roll Update

Circle Six will be baking pumpkin rolls on Sat., Nov. 8th and Sat., Nov. 15th and volunteers are more than welcome to help. Pumpkin rolls will be wrapped in the freezer and ready for **pick-up on Sunday, Nov. 9th or 16th.**

Blessings, Sally Readinger, President

Operation Christmas Child

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.

Offering Envelopes

We'll be ordering envelopes in the next week or so. If you want a box for 2026, please indicate so on your attendance card or call or email the church office. Thank you, Rebecca Woods



**Join us after worship on Sunday,
Nov. 23 for "Hanging of the Greens."
Everyone is welcome to help!**

YOGA with Mary-K

Stretch 'n Flex, at your own pace | Cost: \$10 per class

Wed. Mornings: 8:30-9:45 AM | Thurs. Evenings: 5:30-6:45 PM

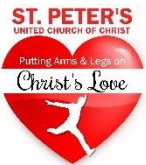
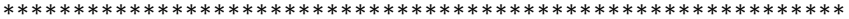


“For the month of November, each week, please bring 2 canned goods that are comfortable to hold in your hands. We will use them as weights in class, and then donate them to our food bank box! Thank you for helping feed Lorain County!”



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., Nov. 11 Veteran's Day
Bible Study 2-3:00 PM, Fireside Room
- Wed., Nov. 12 YOGA with Mary-K 8:30-9:45 AM
Coffee Chats, Sandstone or Panera Bread 9-11 AM
- Thurs., Nov. 13 Bible Study, 10:30-11:30 AM, Fireside Room
Voice Choir Rehearsal, 1 PM, Sanctuary
YOGA with Mary-K, 5:30-6:45 PM
No Handbell Rehearsal
- Fri., Nov. 14 **GriefShare, "Surviving the Holidays",
6:30-8:30 PM, Fireside Room**
- Sun., Nov. 16 Worship Service 10 AM, Annual Meeting
Pickup Circle Six's Pumpkin Rolls

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