



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

**"JUST 30  
SECONDS"**



April 12, 2026 | Second 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

PRELUDE: *"Happy Trumpeter"*, Gordan Young, organist: Pam Schuster

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

Leader: Gather together to shelter from the wind and waves  
of Life's tempestuous seas.

**People: The Lord is our rock and our salvation.**

Leader: Through the hurricanes of life we shall be led. The  
icebergs of sin and sorrow will not accost us.

**People: For we are the children of the One true God,  
sheltered under His protecting wings. He shall  
lead us by the still waters, now and forever. Amen.**

CHORAL INTROIT

Hymn #575 *"Eternal Father, Strong to Save"*

INVOCATION (*unison*) Terry Deliman

**Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, Captain and Navigator  
of our souls, hear us as we pray. The storms of life are  
raging around us. Winds of adversity and waves of despair  
attempt to blow us off course on a daily basis. We are  
foundering upon rough seas, and we need Your intervention.  
Be with us this day. Take the helm and guide us into still  
waters, that we may be safe from the gales that blow into  
our hearts. In the name of Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.**

HYMN #493 *"It Is Well with My Soul"*

CHORAL ANTHEM: *"Take the Name of Jesus With You"*

Sharing Joys and Concerns:

Pastoral Prayer

+Lord's Prayer (debts & debtors)

## HEARING THE WORD OF GOD

Terry Deliman

Exodus 14:21-25 #53

Matthew 8:23-27 #789

\* + Gloria Patri #623

SERMON: "Just 30 Seconds"

## OFFERING

Offertory: "*Fairest Lord Jesus*", James Mansfield,  
organist: Pam Schuster

\* + Doxology #625

\*Prayer of Dedication

\*Sharing the Peace of Christ

\*HYMN #393 "*Nearer, My God, to Thee*"

\*BENEDICTION

\*Choral Benediction

\*Pastoral Benediction

POSTLUDE: "*Toccata In C*", Johann Gottfried Walther,  
organist: Daniel Jacky

*(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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|-------------------|---|
| Minister          | Pastor Mike Boehm                             |
| Pianist           | Cindy Boehm                                   |
| Zoom Director     | Mary K. Kirsch                                |
| Zoom Assistant    | Tom Hollstein                                 |
| Worship Producer  | Brian Schieferstein                           |
| Director of Music | Jennifer Wasilk                               |
| Scripture Reader  | Terry Deliman                                 |
| Ushers            | Gary Thompson, Sharon Thompson,<br>Sue Cherry |

# Church News

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## Hello friends of St. Peter’s Preschool!

It is that time of year again to put our Preschool Yard signs in your yards! It helps us get the word out about the 2026 enrollment which is currently in progress!

Thank you,  
Mary-K Kirsch  
Preschool Liaison

## Ponderings about St. Peter's

The topic this Sunday is "Easter Traditions". Here at St. Peter's, we decorate the church with Easter Lilies. When I was a child, I always had a new "Easter Bonnet" for this important day. What were some of your traditions? Where did these traditions come from?

- In the United States the first "Easter Egg Roll" was held at the White House in 1878. ■ In Germany they have "Easter Markets" that feature hand painted eggs, crafts and delicacies.
- In France children are told the legend about bells flying to Rome to get blessed by the Pope. After they are blessed they return to France and on their way back they pick up Easter eggs that they scatter in the gardens. ■ The Ukraine is famous for their beautiful intricate Easter Eggs. The colors and patterns all have specific meanings.
- Easter Island has its name because Europeans discovered it on Easter Sunday. ■ In Jerusalem the "Holy Fire Event" is in the Church of the Holy Sepulcher on Easter Sunday when miraculously a fire appears in the Tomb of Jesus. This fire is used to light candles of thousands of pilgrims. ■ In Greece roast lamb is eaten – it symbolizes Christ's "sacrifice for the sins of the world."

These are just a few traditions from around the world but at the root of each is a form of recognizing the importance of this day to each Christian.

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## Children's Weekend Food Program

*Thanks for helping feed our children!*

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

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

- 1. Pasta 2. Spaghetti Sauce 3. Canned Tuna 4. Canned Fruit**

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!

## Request for Favorite Hymns

We are working on the summer and fall list of hymns and songs for the congregation to sing during the services. If you have favorite hymns for summer and fall, please send them to Jennifer Wasilk. Thank you.

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**Coffee Chats** Please join us Wednesdays from 9-11 AM at Panera Bread (Oak Point Road) for fun and fellowship. Bring a friend! We look forward to growing our breakfast group.

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## Prayer Shawl and Lap Blanket Ministry

This mission is for not just our congregation, but for the community, too. If you would like to donate a shawl or lap blanket for someone in need, please do not hesitate to do so. Knitted or crocheted, any size will be loved and appreciated. Donations of 4 ply acrylic yarn of any color are also appreciated. Contact Christine if you have any questions about making a created donation. Thank you so much. -Christine D Burman

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## St. Elizabeth Meal, April 15 at 4:30 PM 2726 Caroline Ave., Lorain

We need volunteers to serve starting at 4:30 PM, or to bake cookies or cupcakes. If you want to help or have questions, please contact Betty Pekare. Thank you!

# Circle Six News

In honor of America's 250th Celebration, Circle Six is proud to present "**An Evening with Abigail Adams**", portrayed by Anne McVoy, Women in History. The program will be held in the Sanctuary on **Tuesday, May 5 at 7:00pm**. This program is open to the congregation and to the public. A reception will be held in Fellowship Hall afterwards.

Sincerely, Sally Readinger, President

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## YOGA with Mary-K

**Stretch 'n Flex, at your own pace**

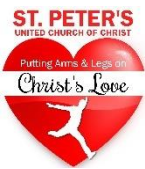
Wednesday Mornings | 8:30-9:45 AM

Thursday Evenings | 5:30-6:45 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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- Tues., April 14 Voice Choir Rehearsal, 12:30 PM, Sanctuary  
Bible Study, 1:45 PM, Fireside Room  
Handbell Rehearsal, 1:40 PM, Sanctuary
- Wed., April 15 Preschool Field Trip  
YOGA with Mary-K, 8:30-9:45 AM  
Coffee Chats, Panera Bread, 9-11 AM  
St. Elizabeth Shelter meal, 4:30 PM
- Thurs., April 16 Preschool Field Trip  
GriefShare, Fireside Room, 2-4 PM  
YOGA with Mary-K, 5:30-6:45 PM
- Sat., April 18 Preschool Art Show, 3-4:30 PM, Fellowship Hall
- Sun., April 19 Worship Service, 10 AM

## How To Reach Us

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