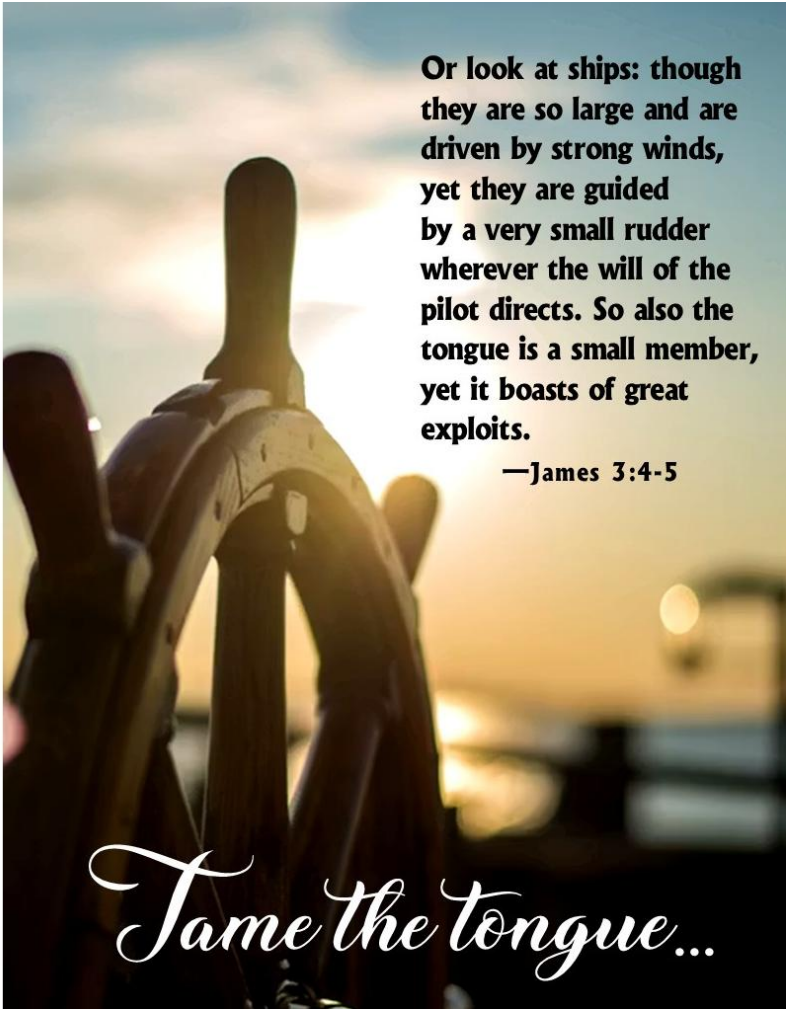




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Or look at ships: though they are so large and are driven by strong winds, yet they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great exploits.

—James 3:4-5

Tame the tongue...

June 28, 2026 | Fifth 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: *"Fugue in C Major"*, Johann Pachelbel /
arr. Lani Smith, organist: Daniel Jacky

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

Leader: We seek shelter from the hurricane winds of life.

People: Torrential rains of adversity seek to drown us.

Leader: We come to God to still the waters once again.

**People: Calm the storms that rage in our souls and
bring us safely into the harbor of Your kingdom.**

CHORAL INTROIT

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

INVOCATION (*unison*) Vicki Zeller

**Heavenly Father, hear us. The mainsails of our lives are set
and the tillers are lashed so as to bring us safely unto You.
Yet strong winds of temptation attempt to blow us off
course. Hidden reefs of sin creep up on us without our
seeing them until it is too late and we are lost. Take the
helm of our souls and guide us through the currents and
eddies of the ocean of daily living. Guide us past the
Sirens of Sin and bring us safely into port. In Jesus' name
we pray. Amen.**

HYMN #10 *"O Worship the King"*

Sharing Joys and Concerns:

Pastoral Prayer

+Lord's Prayer (debts & debtors)

HEARING THE WORD OF GOD

Vicki Zeller

Psalm 138 #503

James 3:4-8 #981

* + Gloria Patri #623

SERMON: "Iceberg Dead Ahead!"

OFFERING

Offertory: "*Jesus, Meine Zuversicht*", Reger,
organist: Daniel Jacky

* + Doxology #625

*Prayer of Dedication

*Sharing the Peace of Christ: *Please remain in your pew as your
share the peace of Christ.*

*HYMN #297 "*I Love to Tell the Story*"

*BENEDICTION

*Choral Benediction

*Pastoral Benediction

POSTLUDE: "*I Love to Tell the Story*", by William G. Fischer
(*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
Pianist
Zoom Director
Zoom Assistant
Worship Producer
Director of Music
Scripture Reader
Ushers

Pastor Mike Boehm
Cindy Boehm
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Tom Hollstein, Tanner Wasilk
Brian Schieferstein
Jennifer Wasilk
Vicki Zeller
Sue Cherry, Fred Helyes,
Lewis Zeller, Vicki Zeller

Church News



TODAY is Blessing of the Pets!

"Blessing of the Pets" will take place *outside* St. Peter's on **Sunday, June 28, 2026 from 1:00-2:30 p.m.** At 2:30 p.m. there will be a memorial service for pets that have passed on. We look forward to seeing you and your pets there on June 28!



Summer Coffee Hour Program

June, July, August the coffee hour is provided by the summer host and hostess program.

The sign-up sheet is located near the coffee for those who are willing to participate. All proceeds will go for the church improvement which includes the garden fund.

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.

Ponderings about St. Peter's



When you enter our church through the main doors on Church Street have you ever really studied our Narthex? Have you ever looked up?

A Narthex is defined as “an antechamber, porch or distinct area at the western entrance” of a Christian church. It is the entryway that connects the outside world with the main worship area. In 2014 our Interim Pastor, Rev. David Plant, wanted the church to brighten up the Narthex so that it would be a more inviting entry to St. Peter's. Lynn Hollstein oversaw selecting a new chandelier to do just that. You are invited to check it out.



Prayer Shawl and Lap Blanket Ministry

Prayer shawls and lap blankets are still available! These are for the public as well as our own congregation. You can lift someone up with prayers, love, and messages of healing! There is always a need for donations of yarn to create these prayer items.

Thank you! -Christine D Burman

St. Peter's UCC Food Pantry

In Partnership with Good Shepherd Baptist Food Pantry.

We will be stopping the food collection for the Children's Weekend Food Program through the summer, but will resume in the fall. We will continue to collect the following items for the Food Pantry for families in ne

**Pasta, Spaghetti Sauce,
Canned Tuna, Peanut Butter,
and Canned Fruit**



Please leave your donations in the drop off boxes. Becky will deliver items in Pam's absence. Thanks everyone!

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.



A rose by any other name would smell as sweet.

From Shakespeare's *Romeo and Juliet*, it reminds us that true value lies in essence rather than labels.

YOGA with Mary-K

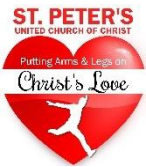
Stretch 'n Flex, at your own pace

Wednesday Morning | 8:25-9:45 AM

No Thursday Evening Yoga until September

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!



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

Wed., July 1 YOGA with Mary-K, 8:25-9:45 AM
 Coffee Chats, Panera Bread, 9-11 AM
Sun., July 5 Worship Service, 10 AM, Communion Sunday
Mon., July 6 Office closed, Independence Holiday

Pastor Mike will be on vacation from July 6 – July 12.

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