



ST. PETER'S
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Jesus defeats
Temptations



Sept. 6, 2026 | Fifteenth 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: *"Andante per l'Elevatione II"* - V. Petrali

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

Leader: We have come together to worship and praise
our God, who gives positive direction to our lives.

**People: We trust God to never lead us astray.
He is our Guide and our strength.**

Leader: Temptation comes from within, not from outside.

**People: Praise the Lord of love, who care for His
Children and wants the best for us.**

CHORAL INTROIT: *"Sanctuary"*

**Hymn #277 "The Church's One Foundation"*

INVOCATION (*unison*) Les Kreeger

**Come among us Almighty God, and whisper into each ear
the paths that You would have us tread. Through Your
scriptures, show us those ways that lead to Your heavenly
kingdom, and clearly mark the dark but attractive paths
that lead to sin and sorrow. Help us make righteous
decisions when confronted by temptations that look
inviting, and give us the strength to walk paths other than
those taken by those who know nothing about You. Keep
us steadfast to the Word of Your Son's teachings, and guide
us through this life of turmoil. In Jesus' name we pray.
Amen.**

HYMN #43 *"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"*

Sharing Joys and Concerns:

Pastoral Prayer

HEARING THE WORD OF GOD

Les Kreeger

Job 1:6-12 #392

Luke 4:1-13 #835

* + Gloria Patri #623

SERMON: "Times of Trial"

+Lord's Prayer (debts & debtors)

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

OFFERING

Offertory: *"Courante in d minor
from Piece de clavicin - P. Maisonblanche*



* + Doxology #625

*Prayer of Dedication

*Sharing the Peace of Christ

*HYMN #51 *"Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"*

*BENEDICTION

*Choral Benediction: *"God Be With You"*

*Pastoral Benediction

POSTLUDE: *"God be with you"* - Little Lucy Smith

(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
Organist
Zoom Director
Zoom Assistant
Worship Producer
Acolyte
Director of Music
Scripture Reader
Ushers

Pastor Mike Boehm
Walker Whitehouse
Mary K. Kirsch
Tom Hollstein, Tanner Wasilk
Brian Schieferstein
Xavier Wasilk
Jennifer Wasilk
Les Kreeger
Geoff Gatz, Linda Gatz

Church News

Film Study to Start!

On Wed., Sept. 9th at 11:30 a.m. we will begin our monthly film study. The study takes specially chosen secular films and looks for hidden theology within the film. **On the second Wednesday** of each month we will gather for a **potluck lunch**. Cindy and I will provide the main course (*chateau brion extremely unlikely!*), and we will watch the film while we eat. A guide sheet will be handed out before the film begins, telling the participant what to look for. We will begin our study with *Leap of Faith* starring Steve Martin. Come join us in this unique way to learn more about God and faith. ***RSVP would be appreciated.*** -Pastor Mike

Bible Study, Tuesdays

Begins Tues., Sept. 8th, at 1:45 PM in the Fireside Room.

Ponderings about St. Peter's

Many of us have the habit of thinking that our problems as a church are new, and some may be. However, often they are ones that St. Peter's has faced before. For example, on December 1, 1975, there was a special meeting of our Church Council called to discuss church attendance. The President of Council told the group that attendance at St. Peter's had dropped 40% in the last 10 years. After much discussion Council came up with the eight points below. Please consider the one/ones that might help us today.

1. More sermons on the Bible.
2. If a church member misses 2 Sundays or more, then a call should be made to see if they are ill or what other reason.
3. Sing songs appropriate to the sermon.
4. Try to have more special services.
5. More personal acquaintance with other members and guests.
6. Get a list of new people moving in town and invite them.
7. Have the President of Church Council and another person attend the new membership class and welcome them and answer any questions they might have.
8. Assign a member of Church to the new member for a 90 day period to be a buddy and kind of guide them into organizations and whatever other help they might need in becoming active members.

St. Peter's UCC Food Pantry

In Partnership with Good Shepherd Baptist Food Pantry.

Children's Weekend Food Program

Thanks for helping feed our children!

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 also a need of the following items for the Food Pantry:

Pasta, Spaghetti Sauce, Canned Tuna & Fruit, Peanut Butter

Please leave your donations in the drop off boxes at the church. Pam Miskov and Becky Woods will make sure donations are delivered. Thanks everyone for all you do in helping others!

Office Closed Labor Day, Sept. 7th

Also, I will be taking a vacation Tuesday-Thursday, Sept. 8-10, returning Monday Sept. 14. Please contact Pastor Mike if you need anything while I'm out and he'll be happy to help. Or send me an email or leave me a voice message and I will get back to you on Monday, Sept. 14th. *Thank you! Kaye*



**Voice Choir and Handbell Choir
are back in session and we look forward
to their special contribution to our
worship service.**

*Thank you, Jen Wasilk and Brian Schieferstein
and all participating members!*

**Welcome Back Preschool
Teachers and Students!**

We are proud of our Preschool.

Preschool's first day begins Tuesday, Sept. 8th at 9 AM with orientation. There will be morning classes. Kati Bell and Gabby Herold will be teaching M-F and helping is our wonderful aide, Samantha. Heidi will be teaching M-TH.
Please keep our excellent teachers and students in your prayers for a safe and successful season. Thank you!

Fall Mum Flower Sale / BSA Troop 427

Once again we are supporting this annual fundraising event. Order forms are at each entrance to the sanctuary. Please fill out and make payment made out to BSA Troop 427 and turn into the church office. If you want you can turn in your order to **Allie who will be here in church on Sunday, Sept. 20th to pickup/take orders.** Pickup of mums will be in our parking lot on Sept. 24th at 7pm. Thank you!

YOGA with Mary-K

Stretch 'n Flex, at your own pace

Wednesday Mornings | 8:25-9:45 AM

Enter the door by the Chapel. 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

Mon., Sept. 7	Labor Day Office Closed
Tues., Sept. 8	Kaye's vacation Sept. 8-10 Preschool Orientation, M-Th or T-TH classes Bible Study, 1:45 PM, Fireside
Wed., Sept. 9	Preschool Orientation, MWF classes YOGA with Mary-K, 8:25-9:45 AM Coffee Chats, Panera Bread, 9-11 AM
Sun., Sept.13	Worship Service, 10 AM

H o w T o R e a c h U s

Office Hours: Monday–Thursday 8:30-2:00 PM

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