



ST. PETER'S
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

FINALLY, BROTHERS AND SISTERS,
WHATEVER IS TRUE, WHATEVER IS
HONORABLE, WHATEVER IS JUST,
WHATEVER IS PURE, WHATEVER IS
PLEASING, WHATEVER IS COMMENDABLE,
IF THERE IS ANY EXCELLENCE AND IF
THERE IS ANYTHING WORTHY OF PRAISE,
THINK ABOUT THESE THINGS.

AS FOR THE THINGS THAT YOU HAVE
LEARNED AND RECEIVED AND HEARD AND
NOTICED IN ME, DO THEM,
AND THE GOD OF PEACE WILL BE WITH YOU.

PHILIPPIANS 4:8



October 11, 2026

ORDER OF WORSHIP

**(Stand as you are able.) + (if needed, use green insert in hymnal rack)*

GATHERING MUSIC

Words of Welcome and Announcements

PRELUDE: Felix Mendelssohn *"Maestoso"* from 4th Sonata in Bb

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

Leader: Let us come together today in harmony and unity.

**People: For there is but one faith. There is one body.
We are all united in the person of Jesus Christ.**

Leader: For that reason, we shall have no arguing
or gossiping among us, for we are one.

People: We stand united as one in the Three-in-One,
the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, now and forever.

CHORAL INTROIT

**Hymn #271 "Standing on the Promises"*

INVOCATION (*unison*)

Sue Cherry

There is One God, One faith, One birth. We are One in the Spirit. But we have not always acted as one. Over the years we have witnessed divisions in our church. We have allowed ourselves to be divided into factions, taking side against one another, instead of coming together to find common ground. Years later we still are feeling the effects of such divisions. Help us to put such things behind us. Help us bind up old wounds wherever possible. Help us be the church that we wish to be, united together, serving You. Amen.

HYMN #275 *"How Firm a Foundation"*

CHORAL ANTHEM: *"Seek and You Will Find"*, Natalie Sleeth

Sharing Joys and Concerns:

Pastoral Prayer

+Lord's Prayer (debts & debtors)

HEARING THE WORD OF GOD

Sue Cherry

Psalm 23 (unison) #435

Philippians 4:1-9 #955

* + Gloria Patri #623

SERMON: "Trouble in Paradise"



OFFERING

Offertory: *"Mendelssohn Andante Religioso"*

* + Doxology #625

*Prayer of Dedication

*Sharing the Peace of Christ

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

*BENEDICTION

*Choral Benediction

*Pastoral Benediction

POSTLUDE: *"Fantasia"*, - P. Maisonblanche

(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
Pianist	Walker Whitehouse
Zoom Director	Mary K. Kirsch
Zoom Assistant	Tanner Wasilk
Worship Producer	Brian Schieferstein
Acolyte	Xavier Wasilk
Director of Music	Jennifer Wasilk
Scripture Reader	Sue Cherry
Ushers	Luena Beale, Walter Beale, Tom Janas, Gary Thompson

Church News

Weekly Bible Study

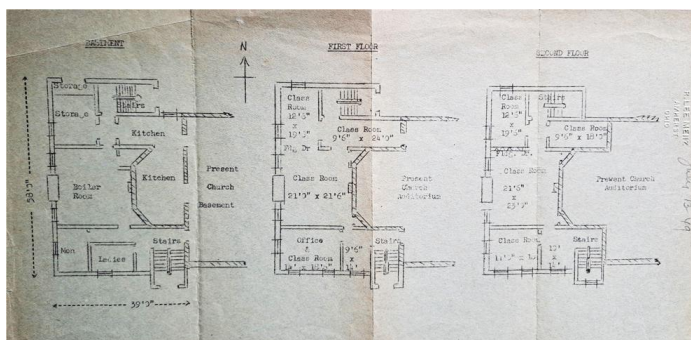
Tuesday at 1:45 PM in the Fireside Room

Please join us for our weekly Bible Study in the Fireside Room.

Ponderings about St. Peter's

To build the 1950's addition to our church the Church Council had to consider costs and fundraising for the project. The Council recommended a 40'x52' building that would provide a heating plant, new kitchen, new basement, and a first and second floor for Sunday School class and meeting rooms. They projected a cost of \$95,000. The preliminary drawing for

this is below. In February of 1950 the Council decided to employ an outside organization to conduct the finance campaign. In April they hired Rev. Kitterer of St. Louis to conduct this campaign. The set goal was to raise \$50,000 in cash and pledges. A Congregational Meeting was held in June to authorize the Church Council to obtain a loan for \$45,000. The church property would be the security for the loan. The loan was secured from Lorain County Savings & Trust Co. at a 4% interest rate.



St. Peter's UCC Food Pantry

In Partnership with Good Shepherd Baptist Food Pantry.

Children's Weekend Food Program

All for the Kids

Microwaveable Mac n Cheese cups, Spaghetti O's, Mac n beef, Ravioli, etc. Ramen Noodles, Chicken Noodle Soup, Small Individual Peanut Butter/Jelly servings, Pastry Tarts, Individual Cereal boxes, Oatmeal Breakfast Bars, Applesauce/Fruit cups, Chips, Pretzels, Cookies, Crackers, Granola Bars, Pudding Cups

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. In Pam's absence Becky Woods will make sure donations are delivered. Thanks everyone for all you do in helping others!

Film Study and Potluck | Oct. 14, 11:30 AM

Mark your calendar for Wed., Oct. 14th at 11:30 a.m. for our monthly Film Study and potluck lunch which will take place in the Fellowship Hall. We will view the next movie of our film study, "The Village". As we did last month, we will eat while we watch the movie. A guide sheet will be handed out before the film begins, telling the participant what to look for.

RSVP would be appreciated. -Pastor Mike

Circle Six Announcements

Our next meeting will be Tuesday, November 3, 2026 in Fellowship Hall at 10:30 a.m. At 11:30 a.m. We will be hosting a program featuring the 103rd OVI Civil War Museum located in Sheffield Lake. This program will be presented by Deb Wagner, Curator. The program is open to the congregation and friends. Refreshments will be provided afterwards.

Guess what folks! It's pumpkin roll time again. Order forms will be placed by the bulletins and in the church office. Please get your orders in early as we definitely will have a limited supply. We will be baking on Saturday, October 31st and Saturday, November 7th. Unfortunately, our group is getting smaller so we would be most appreciative for anyone interested in helping to bake on those days.

Circle Six is proud to present **The all-American Amethyst String Trio featuring** 1st Violinist Mary Beth Ions, 2nd Chair Carol Ruzicka & Cello Kent Collier on Tuesday, November 10 2026 at 7:00pm in the Sanctuary. This program is free and open to the public. Donations will be appreciated. Tickets are available from any Circle Six member and are available in the church office. Refreshments will be provided afterwards.

*Due to technical difficulties, the **Kirkin of the Tartan Service on November 8th has been cancelled.** We will still celebrate Heritage Sunday on that day. Please bring something that represents your heritage to be blessed during that service.*

Remembrance Sunday | November 1st

On November 1st we will once again hold a **candle lighting service** in remembrance of those who have joined God's heavenly realm. Remembrance request forms are at each entrance for your convenience. Please fill out the forms as indicated and return them to me by Sun., October 25th. If your loved one was remembered in last year's service, fill out the top questions only and put "same as last year" for the bottom section.

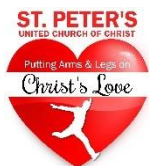
YOGA with Mary-K

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

- Tues., Oct. 13 Voice Choir Rehearsal, 12:30 PM, Sanctuary
Bible Study, 1:45 PM, Fireside
Handbell Rehearsal, 1:45 PM, Sanctuary
Pews & Views bus tour, 5:30 PM Good Shepherd
- Wed., Oct. 14 YOGA with Mary-K, 8:25-9:45 AM
Coffee Chats, Panera Bread, 9-11 AM
Film Study, 11:30 AM, Potluck, FH
- Thurs., Oct. 15 Voice Choir Rehearsal, 12:30 PM, Sanctuary
- Sun., Oct. 18 Worship Service, 10 AM

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

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