

ST. PETER'S UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST



Sunday School – 9:00 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship – 10:30 a.m.
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A banner for St. Peter's United Church of Christ. On the left is a circular logo with a cross and a crown, surrounded by the text "UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST" and "THAT THEY MAY ALL BE ONE". To the right of the logo is the text "St. Peter's" in red. Below that is "UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST" in black. At the bottom left is the phone number "815-465-6191". At the bottom center is the address "310 N. Meadow St. Grant Park, Illinois 60940". On the right is a large red graphic of a comma with the text "God is still speaking" written along its curve.

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OF CHRIST**

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310 N. Meadow St.
Grant Park, Illinois 60940

God is still speaking

ORDER OF WORSHIP

March 20th, 2022

10:30 AM

* - In the way you are able, whether in body or in spirit, please rise.

Welcome and Announcements

Heidi Frahm

Ringing of the Bell

Prelude

“My Tribute” (*Crouch*)

*Call to Worship

Heidi Frahm

Leader: We have come this day to learn about what God expects of us.

People: **Sometimes we really don't want to know what God wants.
We are afraid to make the commitments God seeks.**

Leader: God is persistent. God will not let us off the hook so easily.

People: **But we have failed so many times in the past. How can we
possibly serve now?**

Leader: Open your hearts to receive forgiveness and healing. Listen to God. Be ready to work with God for hope, peace, justice, and love.

People: **Be with us, Lord. Help us to turn around, to see you, to
serve you, and to witness to your Love. Amen.**

*Prayer of Invocation and Confession

*Words of Assurance

*Opening Song

“Blessed Assurance”

#426

Children's Message

The Apostle's Creed

Insert

Musical Selection

“Sweet, Sweet Spirit” (*Akers*)

Presentation of our Offerings

Offertory Sentence & Prayer

Offertory Pastorale (*Peterson*)

Doxology #34

**Praise God from Whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

Scripture Reading

Psalm 63:1-8

Heidi Frahm

Song

“Step by Step”

#494

Pastoral Prayer

Sharing of Joys & Concerns

Pastoral Prayer & the Lord’s Prayer

Responsive Song

“Gloria Patri”

#734

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen, Amen.**

Scripture Reading

Luke 13:1-9

Message

“Tough Sermons”

Pastor Kyle

*Closing Hymn

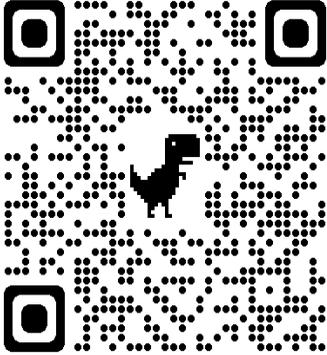
“He Leadeth Me”

#499

* Benediction

*Postlude (Depart to Serve) “Fugue in C Major” (*Handel*)

Giving of our Offerings and Financial Gifts



Forget your offering? Don't carry cash or checks anymore?

Scan our QR code to take you directly to our safe/secure online giving link.

God loves a joyful giver!

We at St. Peter's are praying for:

Gary Ekhoﬀ, Gene Sievers, Carter Fortin, Linda Havelly, Taylor Cleary, Nancy Lewke, Joy Currier, Donna Dorrough, Richie Rodriguez, Heather Phillips, Mary Ann Price, Marge Myers, and the family of Cheyenne Jones

Serving You Today:

Greeters: Tim & Heidi Frahm

Liturgist: Heidi Frahm

Organist: Ann Smith

Pastor Cory's & Pastor Kyle's Walk Update:

Today, the two will embark on a 20 mile walk, jog, run, crawl that begins at CVS Pharmacy on Washington Street in Kankakee (the location of where the new center (The Fort) will be). They will walk to St. Peter's UCC in Grant Park. A "send-off" will take place beginning at 3:00 pm as the two will depart at 3:20 pm (on 3/20), make their way to St. Paul church in Kankakee (current location of Fortitude) for a 3:33 pm prayer, and then continue on their way. To help meet the goal of \$5,000, please make your financial gifts by the end of March and give to Zion Lutheran Church, St. Peter's UCC Church, or Fortitude in honor of the Crazy Duo's Walk.

<http://app.donorview.com/106Rn> - Or you may use this direct link.

Announcements

Rummage Sale will be upon us soon. Please keep this in mind as you are cleaning out things to get rid of. We will be doing sales on June 17th and 18th (community sales weekend) and in September (Oktoberfest weekend). Would you rather "purchase" a parking spot and sell your stuff? We will be doing that too. If you have any questions, please contact Jackie Timmons at (815) 466-4048 or text (567) 249-5141. Thank you.

The Rummage Sale Committee will have a meeting Sunday, March 27, after church. If you would like to join our committee, please attend the meeting or contact Jackie Timmons. Thank you.

Worship Opportunities are available as we are looking for lay readers and ushers. If you are interested, please contact the church office.

Specialty marked envelopes have been made for Fusion and Fortitude. They are located on the back two tables in the sanctuary. Thank you for your generous support of these two wonderful programs.

Bunco will be held Friday, April 8th, at 7 pm. Tables of four people will be \$5 a person (\$20 a table). You can bring your own dice or three will be provided for you. Drinks and snacks will also be provided, along with raffle items. Tickets will be 6 for \$5. We will play four rounds with prizes awarded for each round. We are also looking for people to bring their card tables and provide raffle baskets and food (drinks, snacks, and desserts). Please call the church office to reserve a table at (815) 465-6191. All reservations need to be done before April 7th. Thank you.

Midweek Lenten Services (Soup, Scripture, and Song) have begun and will be held each Wednesday from 6- 7:30 pm in the Clyde Lange Fellowship Hall.

The **One Great Hour of Sharing** UCC denominational offering will be received on Sunday, March 27th. Envelopes for OGHS are available on the back tables in the sanctuary if you would like to support the offering.

The offering provides financial support which enables the UCC's ability to provide disaster support, refugee ministry, and sustainable development initiatives.

You may also text OGHS to 41444 to give or mail a check to United Church of Christ, PO Box 71957, Cleveland, OH 44194. Please make the check payable to OGHS.

The Manteno United Methodist Church is announcing their craft fair for Saturday, March 26th, from 9 am to 2 pm. They are located at 255 W. 2nd St. If you would like more information, please text/call Sue Ross at (815) 405-5021.

Fusion will be doing lunch and axe throwing April 3rd after church until 4 pm. If you want more information on attending, contact Josh Hamann or Neal Currier.

The Apostle's Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
He descended to hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended to heaven
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From there He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic* church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.



Want to help beautify our church sanctuary for Easter? We will be selling Easter Lilly plants for \$20 each. All proceeds will go to support the St. Luke's Food Pantry in Beecher. If you would like to purchase one or more, please fill out the following information with your payment. Please place it in the offering plate or turn it into the office. Forms must be turned in by Thursday, March 31. Thank you.

Name: _____

In Memory of: _____

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Christian Education Opportunity

SECRET CHURCH



Want to do something Radical?

Join us on Friday, April 29th, at 5:30 pm to attend Radical Church's simulcast for a 6-hour Radical experience.

More than 50,000 participants around the world will be pouring themselves into this intense study of God's Word and examination of how God created us.

Topics will include gender, sexuality, artificial intelligence, race, justice, genomics, and the Metaverse.

Life seems complicated these days, fragmented even. And everyone has an opinion. But what does the Bible say about all of these issues? About YOU? About ME? About the 7 billion people that fill every street, town, campus, village, apartment, and neighborhood?

Cost is \$35.00 person (includes snacks/drinks throughout the evening, course study guide, and the live simulcast here at St. Peter's). RSVP's must be made by March 31st for us to receive this price. Contact the church office if you want to be RADICAL.