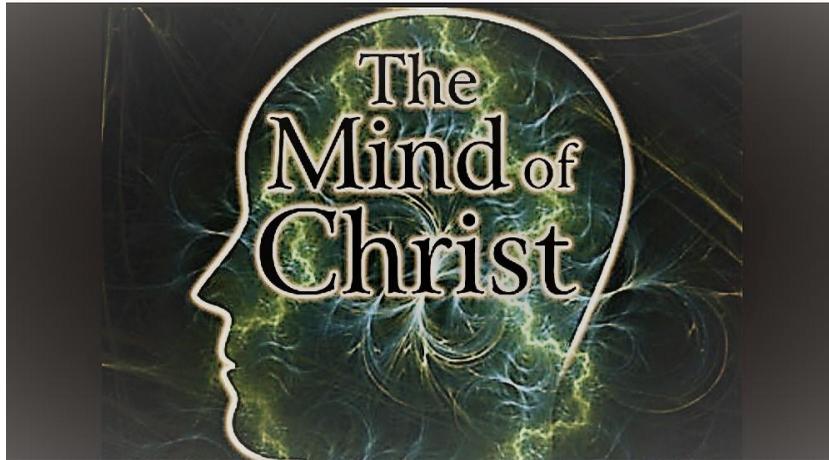


# ST. PETER'S UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST



**Sunday, September 27th, 2020**  
***Celebrating 150 years of faithfulness to our community***

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***“Who has known the mind of the Lord so as to instruct him? But we have the mind of Christ.” – I Corinthians 2:16***

**Pre-Service Music**

**Tolling of the Bell**

**Prelude**

Judy Schneider

**Welcome & Announcements**

**Opening Prayer**

**Opening Scripture**

Hebrews 4:14-16

**\*Worship in Song**

“God So Loved”  
“Draw Me Close to You”

**Children’s Moment**

**Pastoral Prayer (Concerns & Joys)**

**Scripture Reading**

Philippians 2:1-13

**Sermon**

“Mind Games”

Pastor Kyle

**\*Closing Song**

“And Can it Be?”

**\*Spoken Benediction**

**\*Benediction in Song**

“Take the Name of Jesus with You”

**Postlude**

Judy Schneider

## Scripture Reading: Philippians 2:1-13

**2** Therefore if you have any encouragement from being united with Christ, if any comfort from his love, if any common sharing in the Spirit, if any tenderness and compassion, <sup>2</sup> then make my joy complete by being like-minded, having the same love, being one in spirit and of one mind. <sup>3</sup> Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves, <sup>4</sup> not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others.

<sup>5</sup> In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus:

<sup>6</sup> Who, being in very nature<sup>[a]</sup> God,  
did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage;

<sup>7</sup> rather, he made himself nothing  
by taking the very nature<sup>[a]</sup> of a servant,  
being made in human likeness.

<sup>8</sup> And being found in appearance as a man,  
he humbled himself  
by becoming obedient to death—  
even death on a cross!

<sup>9</sup> Therefore God exalted him to the highest place  
and gave him the name that is above every name,

<sup>10</sup> that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow,  
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,

<sup>11</sup> and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord,  
to the glory of God the Father.

<sup>12</sup> Therefore, my dear friends, as you have always obeyed—not only in my presence, but now much more in my absence—continue to work out your salvation with fear and trembling, <sup>13</sup> for it is God who works in you to will and to act in order to fulfill his good purpose.

## Scripture Reading: Hebrews 4:14-16

<sup>14</sup> Therefore, since we have a great high priest who has ascended into heaven,<sup>[a]</sup> Jesus the Son of God, let us hold firmly to the faith we profess. <sup>15</sup> For we do not have a high priest who is unable to empathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are—yet he did not sin. <sup>16</sup> Let us then approach God's throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.



### **Sermon Notes:**

# Announcements

**Turkey Supper:** Due to concerns related to Covid this year's Turkey Supper will be canceled.

## **Christian Education Opportunities**

\*Please note that children & youth Sunday School classes will begin next Sunday at 9 am. Please advise your child(ren) that masks will be required (we will have some available if needed).

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### **This Week at St. Peter's**

*Office Hours are 9 am – 1 pm (Tuesday – Friday) – If you have an emergency, or need to contact the Pastor, please call him at 567-249-5130.*

Tuesday:

Sunday: Christian Education – 9 am, Worship Service – 10:30 am

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### **Are you giving? A principle for Christian giving:**

Our Lord Jesus expects and requires His followers to give. Jesus said, “when you give,” not “if you give” in Matthew 6:2. Therefore, Christian giving is vital and essential and not optional. Jesus desires His people to be faithful givers. Are you giving?

## **How can I give of my tithe and offerings:**

Option 1 – Place your offering envelope or gift in the offering plate on Sunday mornings.

Option 2 – You can mail in your financial gifts to the church office. The address is St. Peter's UCC, PO Box 231, Grant Park, IL 60940.

Option 3 – You can drop your financial gifts off to the church during office hours.

Option 4 – You can sign up to give automatically from your checking or savings account via an EFT automatic withdrawal – if you'd like a form to fill out, please contact the church office and we'll help you set one up.

Option 5 – You can visit our church webpage for giving and make a secure donation at [www.stpetersgp.org/give/](http://www.stpetersgp.org/give/) You can give just one time or set it up for reoccurring gifts as well.

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### **We at St. Peter's are praying for:**

Gary Ekhoﬀ  
Nancy Lewke  
Austin Delaney  
James Caton

Gene Sievers  
Melissa Mort  
Mason Beseke  
Delores Caton

Sherrie Hruby  
Carter Fortin  
Rev. Frank Hoss  
Linda Havely

*(If you wish for your name to be taken off this list, or would like to be added to the list, please let Pastor Kyle or the church office know. Thanks in advance).*

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### **We also remember our shut-ins:**

Mildred Katz

Mary Cirks

Minnie Pﬂingsten

Pauline Mitchell

Louise Sievers

# God So Loved

*CCLI Streaming License #20454163 – Performed by We The Kingdom*

Come all you weary  
Come all you thirsty  
Come to the well  
That never runs dry  
Drink of the water  
Come and thirst no more

While come all you sinners  
Come find His mercy  
Come to the table  
He will satisfy  
Taste of His goodness  
Find what you're looking for

(Chorus) For God so loved  
The world that He gave us  
His one and only Son to save us  
Whoever believes in Him  
Will live forever

Bring all your failures  
Bring your addictions  
Come lay them down  
At the foot of the cross  
Jesus is waiting there with open arms  
Can you see His open arms

(Chorus)  
The power of hell forever defeated  
Now it is well  
I'm walking in freedom  
For God so loved  
God so loved the world

(Sing twice):

Praise God - Praise God  
From whom all blessings flow  
Praise Him - Praise Him  
For the wonders of His love  
His amazing love  
(Praise God)

For God so loved  
The world that He gave us  
His one and only Son to save  
For God so loved  
The world that He gave us  
His one and only Son to save us

Whoever believes in Him  
Will live forever the power of hell  
Forever defeated  
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Jesus is waiting  
God so loved the world

# **Draw Me Close**

*CCLI Streaming License #20454163 – Michael W. Smith*

Draw me close to you - Never let me go  
I lay it all down again -To hear you say that I'm your friend  
You are my desire - No one else will do  
'Cause nothing else can take your place  
To feel the warmth of your embrace  
Help me find the way - Bring me back to you

(Chorus) You're all I want  
You're all I've ever needed  
You're all I want  
Help me know you are near

Draw me close to you - Never let me go  
I lay it all down again -To hear you say that I'm your friend  
You are my desire - No one else will do  
'Cause nothing else can take your place  
To feel the warmth of your embrace  
Help me find the way - Bring me back to you

You're all I want - You're all I've ever needed  
You're all I want - Help me know you are near  
You're all I want - You're all I've ever needed  
You're all I want

Help me know you are near  
Help me know you are near  
Help me know you are near

# Take the Name of Jesus with You

*CCLI Streaming License #20454163 – Lydia Baxter*

Take the name of Jesus with you,  
Child of sorrow and of woe.  
It will joy and comfort give you,  
Take it then where'er you go.

Refrain:

Precious name, O how sweet!  
Hope of earth and joy of heaven;  
Precious name, O how sweet!  
Hope of earth and joy of heaven.

Take the name of Jesus ever  
As protection ev'rywhere.  
If temptations 'round you gather,  
Breathe that holy name in prayer. [Refrain]

# And Can it Be?

*CCLI Streaming License #20454163 – Charles Wesley*

And can it be, that I should gain  
An int'rest in the Savior's blood?  
Died He for me, who caused His pain?  
For me, who Him, to death pursued  
Amazing love! How can it be  
That Thou, my God, should die for me?

Refrain:

Amazing love! How can it be  
That Thou, my God, should die for me?

He left His Father's throne above,  
So free, so infinite His grace;  
Emptied Himself of all but love,  
And bled for Adam's helpless race;  
'Tis mercy all, immense and free;  
For, O my God, it found out me. (Refrain)

No condemnation now I dread;  
Jesus, and all in Him is mine!  
Alive in Him, my living Head,  
And clothed in righteousness divine,  
Bold I approach the eternal throne,  
And claim the crown, through Christ my own (Refrain)