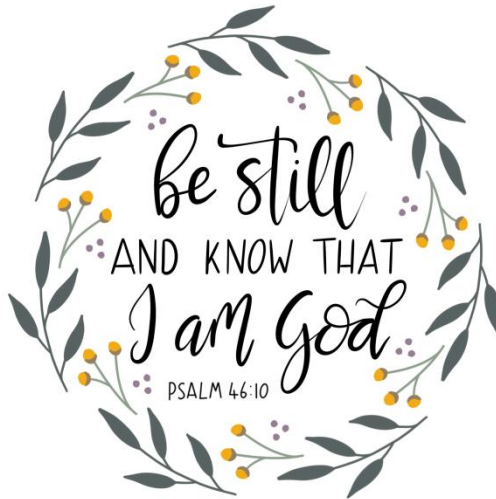


# ST. PETER'S UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST



**Sunday, October 18th, 2020**

***Celebrating 150 years of faithfulness to our community***

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***“God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble.”  
– Psalm 46:1***

## **Pre-Service Music**

## **Welcome & Announcements**

## **Call to Worship**

**Pastor:** Come, let us enter into the presence of the Most Holy.

**People:** We come to declare that He is God and God, alone.

**Pastor:** Let us sing our praises and glorify Him for all He’s done.

**People:** We bring a spirit of reverence as we worship our  
Creator, Redeemer, and King.

## **Opening Prayer of Invocation**

## **Opening Scripture**

Revelation 15

## **\*Worship in Song**

“Holy, Holy, Holy”

## **Missions Moment**

## **Concerns/Joys & Opening Pastoral Prayer**

## **Scripture Reading**

Psalm 46

## **Sermon**

“The Joys of Quietness”

Pastor Kyle

## **\*Closing Song**

“A Mighty Fortress”

## **\*Spoken Benediction**

# Scripture Reading: Revelation 15

I saw in heaven another great and marvelous sign: seven angels with the seven last plagues—last, because with them God’s wrath is completed. <sup>2</sup> And I saw what looked like a sea of glass glowing with fire and, standing beside the sea, those who had been victorious over the beast and its image and over the number of its name. They held harps given them by God <sup>3</sup> and sang the song of God’s servant Moses and of the Lamb:

“Great and marvelous are your deeds,  
Lord God Almighty.

Just and true are your ways,  
King of the nations.<sup>[a]</sup>

<sup>4</sup> Who will not fear you, Lord,  
and bring glory to your name?

For you alone are holy.

All nations will come  
and worship before you,

for your righteous acts have been revealed.”<sup>[b]</sup>

<sup>5</sup> After this I looked, and I saw in heaven the temple—that is, the tabernacle of the covenant law—and it was opened. <sup>6</sup> Out of the temple came the seven angels with the seven plagues. They were dressed in clean, shining linen and wore golden sashes around their chests. <sup>7</sup> Then one of the four living creatures gave to the seven angels seven golden bowls filled with the wrath of God, who lives for ever and ever. <sup>8</sup> And the temple was filled with smoke from the glory of God and from his power, and no one could enter the temple until the seven plagues of the seven angels were completed.

## Scripture Reading: Psalm 46

- God is our refuge and strength,  
an ever-present help in trouble.
- <sup>2</sup> Therefore we will not fear, though the earth give way  
and the mountains fall into the heart of the sea,
- <sup>3</sup> though its waters roar and foam  
and the mountains quake with their surging.<sup>Ⓜ</sup>
- <sup>4</sup> There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,  
the holy place where the Most High dwells.
- <sup>5</sup> God is within her, she will not fall;  
God will help her at break of day.
- <sup>6</sup> Nations are in uproar, kingdoms fall;  
he lifts his voice, the earth melts.
- <sup>7</sup> The LORD Almighty is with us;  
the God of Jacob is our fortress.
- <sup>8</sup> Come and see what the LORD has done,  
the desolations he has brought on the earth.
- <sup>9</sup> He makes wars cease  
to the ends of the earth.  
He breaks the bow and shatters the spear;  
he burns the shields<sup>Ⓜ</sup> with fire.
- <sup>10</sup> He says, "Be still, and know that I am God;  
I will be exalted among the nations,  
I will be exalted in the earth."
- <sup>11</sup> The LORD Almighty is with us;  
the God of Jacob is our fortress.

# Announcements

**Worship Music Team:** Would you be interested in assisting in music on Sundays by leading our singing during our hymns and contemporary singing? See Pastor Kyle for more details.

Are you interested in singing? Playing an instrument? We'd love to have you share your musical gift with the congregation. Let Pastor Kyle, or the church office, know that you'd be interested in providing special music and for which Sunday. Looking forward to hearing your musical gift shared with us.

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

*Office Hours are 9 am – 1 pm (Tuesday – Friday)*

### **Today:**

Christian Education – 9 am  
Early Worship Service – 9 am  
Worship Service – 10:30 am  
Confirmation – 11:30 – 2:00

### **Wednesday**

Missions' Team Meeting – 7 pm

### **Sunday (Oct 25<sup>th</sup>):**

Christian Education – 9 am  
Early Worship Service – 9 am  
Worship Service – 10:30 am

## **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 or drop off at the church during the week.

Option 2 – You can mail in your financial gifts to the church office. The address is St. Peter’s UCC, PO Box 220, Grant Park, IL 60940.

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/)

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

*(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).*

Gary Ekhoﬀ

Gene Sievers

Sherrie Hruby

Nancy Lewke

Melissa Mort

Carter Fortin

Austin Delaney

Mason Beseke

Rev. Frank Hoss

Delores Caton

James Caton

Linda Havelly

The family of Barb Jakaitis

The family of Mary Cirks

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

Mildred Katz

Pauline Mitchell

Minnie Pﬂingsten

Louise Sievers

# A Mighty Fortress

*Written by Martin Luther – CCLI Streaming License #20454163*

A mighty fortress is our God  
A bulwark never failing  
Our helper He amidst the flood  
Of mortal ills prevailing  
For still our ancient foe  
Doth seek to work us woe  
His craft and power are great  
And armed with cruel hate  
On earth is not His equal.

Did we in our own strength confide  
Our striving would be losing  
Were not the right Man on our side  
The Man of God's own choosing  
Dost ask who that may be?  
Christ Jesus, it is He  
The Lord of hosts His name  
From age to age the same  
And He must win the battle.

And though this world with devils filled  
Should threaten to undo us  
We will not fear for God hath willed  
His truth to triumph through us  
The prince of darkness grim  
We tremble not for him.  
His rage we can endure  
For lo! His doom is sure  
One little word shall fell him.

A mighty fortress  
A rock unfailing  
The King of Glory  
Forever amen.  
For endless ages  
Enthroned in praises  
The King of Glory  
Forever amen.

That Word above all earthly powers  
No thanks to them abideth  
The Spirit and the gifts are ours  
Through Him who with us sideth  
Let goods and kindred go  
This mortal life also  
The body they may kill  
God's truth abideth still  
His kingdom is forever.

It's forever and ever

A mighty fortress.  
A rock unfailing  
The King of Glory  
Forever amen.  
For endless ages  
Enthroned in praises  
The King of Glory  
Forever Amen.

(Repeat)

# Holy, holy, holy

*Written by John Bacchus Dykes – CCLI Streaming License #20454163*

Holy, holy, holy  
Lord God Almighty  
Early in the morning  
My song shall rise to thee  
Holy, holy, holy  
Merciful and Mighty  
God in three persons  
Blessed Trinity.

Holy, holy, holy  
All the saints adore Thee  
Casting down their golden crowns  
Around the glassy sea  
Cherubim and seraphim  
Falling down before Thee  
Who was, and is,  
And evermore shall be.

Holy, holy, holy  
Lord God Almighty  
All thy works shall praise Thy  
name  
In earth and sky and sea  
Holy, holy, holy  
Merciful and mighty  
God in three persons,  
Blessed Trinity.