

# ST. PETER'S United Church of Christ

310 North Meadow Street (Grant Park, IL 60940)

Sunday School--9:00 a.m.

Sunday Morning Worship – 10:30 a.m.

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## Sunday, January 5<sup>th</sup>, 2025

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

#### **Welcome & Announcements**

**Neal Currier** 

Ringing of the Bell

**Prelude** "For All the Blessings of the Year" (Hegarty)

**Lighting of the Candles** 

Luke Schneider

\*Call to Worship Neal Currier
Leader: Like the wise men of old, we too, journey to find the

Christ child in our world – bringing Him gifts of worship.

**People:** We bring our treasures, though they may not be much,

to continue the mission to proclaim the Gospel throughout our world. We bring Christ our talents, working together as His Church to bless and encourage one another. We bring our King our time, believing in confidence that we will sow on earth what we will reap in

Heaven.

Leader: Come, let us worship Christ the newborn King.

#### \*Prayer of Invocation

Pastor Kyle

\*Opening Song "We Have Come at Christ's Own Bidding" #245

<u>Pastoral Prayer</u> Pastor Kyle

Our Father, Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Scripture Reading Gen 43:11; 1 Sam 9:7-8; I Kings 10:2 Neal Currier

#### Children's Message

#### **Worshipping God with our Offerings**

Prayer of Dedication

Offertory "Oracion" (Hamilton)

\*Doxology #34

Scripture Reading Matthew 2:1-12 Pastor Kyle

\*Hymn "Songs of Thanksfulness and Praise" (vs 1 & 4) #243

**Sermon** "The Epiphany of the Magi" Pastor Kyle

### **Observance of the Lord's Supper**

\*Closing Hymn "Lord, Speak to Me" #593

#### \*Benediction

\*Postlude "We Have Come at Christ's Own Bidding" (Shrader)

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

Carter Fortin, Linda Havely, Taylor Cleary, Heather Phillips, Dorothy Kutemeier, Judy Schneider, Pamela Nolan, Kristopher Meyer, Jeff Jones, Jackqueline Dupuis, Sandy Erickson, Ken Erickson, Tim Langlois, Anita Bush, Ed Bush, Dornita Hamann, Tim Miller, Evelyn Bond, Claudia Scott, Natalie Lacer, Nancy Vittori, and Colette Lawrence

# We're Trying Something New!

Scan the barcode with your phone to access today's Scripture readings and announcements!



Don't have a phone? Still want a hard copy of the announcements? That's okay! ½ sheet inserts are available on the back table in the sanctuary with announcements. Feel free to pick one up!

St. Peter's United Church of Christ wishes you a happy 2025!

Fusion Events (Youth Group for 6th-12th graders): For more details, visit our Facebook page or go to our church website at www.stpetersgp.org, (Under Ministries Section). You can also contact Josh (815) 693-5341 or Neal (815) 549-5911.

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**Beecher Food Pantry:** The pantry is looking for donations of shampoo, deodorant, pudding, jello, canned fruit, cream corn, pasta noodles, soup (hearty variety), mayo, spam, tuna, boxed potatoes, canned pasta, hamburger helper, peanut butter, and toilet paper. Thank you.

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A Call to the Congregational Meeting: The annual congregational meeting will be held on February 2, 2025, following the 10:30 a.m. worship service.

**Mexican Progressive Dinner:** Church Life is hosting a Mexican Fiesta on January 25<sup>th</sup> at 5 p.m. Please sign up on the clipboard if you are interested in attending. This is an adults only event.

Plan now to enjoy this fun evening all held at the church as we move from room to room enjoying appetizers, soups, salads, a main dish, dessert, and beverages.

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