

# ST. PETER'S UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST



**310 North Meadow Street (Grant Park, IL 60940)**

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Sunday School – 9:00 a.m.

Sunday Morning Worship – 10:30 a.m.

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**“Whether you turn to the right or to the left, your ears will hear a voice  
behind you, saying, ‘This is the way; walk in it.’”**

**Isaiah 30:21, NIV**

# Sunday, March 12<sup>th</sup>, 2023

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

## Welcome & Announcements

Karen Brunello

## Ringling of the Bell

## Prelude

“The Old Rugged Cross” (*arr. DeCou*)

## \*Call to Worship

*Based on Psalm 25:1-10*

Karen Brunello

Leader: Come, people of God, and place your trust in He who is able.

People: **He is able to do all things.**

Leader: Let the Lord show you His ways; let Him teach you the paths to holiness and righteousness.

People: **We strive to allow God to guide us – in spirit and in truth.**

Leader: He will provide for us in every way. His great mercy and love is for all generations.

People: **Our Lord is good and upright. He will guide His humble children in what is right. All the ways of the Lord are loving and faithful for those who keep the demands of His covenant.**

## \*Unison Prayer of Invocation     *Based on Psalm 25:16-21*

*Holy and wonderful God, turn Your eyes to us and show us Your grace. Relieve the troubles of our hearts and set us free from anguish. Look upon our affliction and distress and take away all our sin. Guard our lives and rescue us with the presence and power of Your Holy Spirit. May our hope be in You. Amen.*

## \*Song of Worship

“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”

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**Scripture Reading**

Isaiah 30:15-21

Karen Brunello

**Children's Choir Anthem**

“Raise A Hallelujah” (*Clark*)

**Children's Moment**

**Pastoral Prayer**

Pastor Kyle

**\*Song**

“God Moves in a Mysterious Way”

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**Worshipping God with our Offerings**

Prayer of Dedication

Offertory

“A Quiet Place” (*Carmichael*)

\*Response

“Doxology”

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**Scripture Reading**

John 16:1-13

Pastor Kyle

**Sermon**

“Things to Search For: God's Guidance” Pastor Kyle

**\*Closing Song**

“Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise”

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**\*Benediction**

**\*Postlude**

“Go Forth” (*Koury*)

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

*Gene Sievers, Carter Fortin, Brian Koop, Linda Havelly, Taylor Cleary,  
Joy Currier, Heather Phillips, Mary Ann Price, Keith Myers, Marge Myers,  
Sandy Erickson, Dorothy Kutemeier, Judy Schneider, Delores Schimmin,  
Megan Breckenridge, Neal Currier, Pamela Nolan, Alexis Verhulst,  
Katheryn Hickey-Scott, Bucky Burrell, Delores Hartman, Ann Wessman,  
Patricia Regnier, the family of Richard Lorenz, and the family of Becky  
Contreras*

## Notes of Interest

\*\*\* We are still in need of lay readers for April 9<sup>th</sup> (Easter), 16<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup>, and 30<sup>th</sup>. If you are willing to do any of the above dates, please sign up on the lay reader sign up sheet on the back table in the sanctuary.

\*\*\* Please join us for Soup, Supper, and Scripture on the following Wednesday nights during Lent at 6 p.m.: March 15<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, and 29<sup>th</sup>.

## Announcements

**Adult Study Hour (Sundays @ 9 am):** Join us during the 9 a.m. Christian Education Hour in the Clyde Lange Fellowship Hall located in the church basement. We are studying the Book of Acts. Did you miss it? It's okay. Jump in any time. Last week's lesson & notes are available on our church webpage under Christian Education.

**Bunco Night:** We will be having a Bunco night on March 31<sup>st</sup> at 7 p.m. Please RSVP to the church no later than March 30<sup>th</sup>. Cost is \$5/person or \$20 a table. As always, if you have a card table to loan for the event, please include that in your reservation.

**Craft/Vendor Fair and Easter Egg Hunt:** First United Methodist Church located on 111 W. Fourth St. in Momence is having their annual craft/vendor fair and egg hunt on Saturday, April 1<sup>st</sup>, from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. The egg hunt will begin at 10:00 a.m. rain or shine. For more information, please contact Marilyn at (815) 592-0043.

**The Beecher Food Pantry:** is asking for any non-food items. Donations may be dropped off in the baskets located by the courtyard entrance. Thank you.

**Fusion Events (Youth Group for 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> graders):** For April's event, all are invited to St. John's (IN) Shrine of Christ's Passion walk. We will meet there at 1 p.m. For more details, visit our Facebook page or go to our church website at [www.stpetersgp.org](http://www.stpetersgp.org), (Under Ministries Section). You can also contact Josh (815) 693-5341 or Neal (815) 549-5911.

**Fusion Lunch Sign-Up:** There is a sign-up list sheet on the back table in the sanctuary for individuals, families, friends, groups, (however you want to do it), to provide lunch for the Fusion Youth Group each month. You may sign up to cover a month by bringing lunch and serving it, by providing it and letting them serve it, or providing a monetary donation to offset the cost of the lunch. Josh Hamann or Neal Currier will be in touch with you prior to the month that you sign up for to confirm the date (which is normally the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month). On average, there are nearly 25 students and leaders to feed. Fusion truly appreciates your support as this allows them to keep the gatherings free for the students.

**Feed My Starving Children:** Members of Zion Lutheran Church of Grant Park have scheduled a 'servant project' with Feed My Starving Children (Aurora, IL). We wish to invite our closest neighbors to join us for a food packing event! Join us on Monday, April 10, 2023, @ 4:30-6:15 p.m. to go to Aurora, IL, to 'pack meals' for those in need of food. Carpooling will be established among those attending--departure will be 3 p.m. that day from Zion's (GP) parking lot. Children (age 7 and older), youth, and adults are all encouraged to participate. A 3:1 student to adult ratio is recommended. Call Zion GP's church office at 815-465-6011 to place yourself on the volunteer list. Check out <https://www.fmsc.org/about-us/faqs> for more information.

**2023 Young at Heart Meetings:** The United Methodist Church of Grant Park would like to invite you to their Young at Heart meetings every third Monday of the month from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. at the Grant Park Community Center. On March 20<sup>th</sup>, they will be serving salads. If you have any questions, please contact Dianna at (815)-465-6933. Thank you.

## Sleep in Heavenly Peace

Members of several Grant Park churches, in support of the Fusion Youth Group at St. Peter's UCC in Grant Park, are raising funds and hands-on support to provide beds and bedding to children without them so that they don't have to sleep on floors.

The missions' project the area churches will be supporting is called "Sleep in Heavenly Peace" ([www.shpbeds.org](http://www.shpbeds.org)). The ministry is a group of volunteers dedicated to building, assembling, and delivering top-notch bunk beds to children and families in need.

To purchase and assemble 30 beds (at a minimum), an amount of \$7,500 needs to be raised (\$250 per bed). Once the minimal goal is raised, the beds will be ordered and a date/location will be set for assembly by anyone in the area who is willing to help.

There are several options to donate to the fund:

Direct cash/check donations may be made to the church. Please put in the memo line/or on the envelope that the donation is towards "Sleep in Heavenly Peace" Project.

You may give online by going to [www.stpetersgp.org/give](http://www.stpetersgp.org/give) and choose the "Give to: Sleep in Heavenly Peace" category.

All donations are tax deductible. Stay tuned to the Grant Park facebook page and St. Peter's website for updates on amounts raised, upcoming assembling date/location, and more. On behalf of the Fusion Youth, we appreciate your support.



## **Cinnamon Roll Fundraiser:**

Who doesn't enjoy homemade cinnamon rolls?

The Fusion youth group will be selling them by the half dozen for \$10. Please fill out this pre-order sheet below before April 2<sup>nd</sup>. Enclose payment when turning in your order sheet to the office. We will give you a call the following week when they are ready. All proceeds will go to Sleep In Heavenly Peace. Thank you for your support!

Name\_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

6 Cinnamon Rolls      Qty\_\_\_\_\_      Total\_\_\_\_\_