<u>St. Peter's</u> <u>United Church of Christ</u>



310 North Meadow Street (Grant Park, IL 60940)

Sunday School – 9:00 a.m. Sunday Morning Worship – 10:30 a.m. Church Office – (815) 465-6191 Parsonage phone – (815) 466-4048 Pastor's Cell – (567) 249-5130 *Website:* www.stpetersgp.org *Email:* stpetersgp@sbcglobal.net *Facebook:* St. Peters UCC Grant Park

> "Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding." Proverbs 3:5, NIV

Sunday, March 26th, 2023

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

Welcome & Announcements

Audrey Lehnert

Pastor Kyle

Ringing of the Bell

Pastoral Prayer

Prelude

"Chanson" (Faber)

*Call to Worship Audrey Lehnert Believers, let us join together to worship God, for He is great! Leader: God has blessed us with life, with faith, and with **People:** community. Let us worship God, for He is good -Leader: **People:** God forgives us, encourages us, and loves us. Let us worship God, for He is the author of our salvation! Leader: We belong to Him! We will praise Him for His redeeming **People:** love and the gifts He has provided for us. ***Prayer of Invocation** *Song of Worship "What Wondrous Love is This" (vs 1, 3 & 4) #257 **Scripture Reading** Proverbs 3:1-6, 13-20 Audrey Lehnert **Children's Moment**

***Song** "Lead Me to Calvary" #253

Worshipping God with our Offerings

Prayer of Dedication		
Offertory *Response	"Odagio" (Beethoven) "Doxology"	#34
Scripture Reading	Psalm 119:129-136	Pastor Kyle
<u>Sermon</u>	"Things to Search For: Understanding"	Pastor Kyle
*Closing Song	"When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"	#261
*Benediction		
*Postlude	"Come Thou Almighty King"	

We at St. Peter's are praying for:

Gene Sievers, Carter Fortin, Brian Koop, Linda Havely, Taylor Cleary, Joy Currier, Heather Phillips, Mary Ann Price, Keith & 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, and Patricia Regnier

Holy Week

Holy Week Schedule: Holy Week is one of the most important observations as Christians during a calendar year. We invite you to join us for this week of Christ's passion and to remember, reflect, and celebrate your Christian faith.

Sunday, April 2 nd :	Palm Sunday (10:30 am)
Thursday, April 6 th :	Maundy Thursday Service (7 pm)
Friday, April 7 th :	Good Friday Service (7 pm)
Sunday, April 9 th :	*Easter Sunrise @ Heldt Park (6:30 am)
	Easter Breakfast (9 am)
	Children's Easter Egg Hunt (9:30 am)
	Easter Worship Celebration (10:30 am)

*The Easter Sunrise service at Heldt Park is led by the United Methodist Church, but all are welcome to attend.

Notes of Interest

*** We are still in need of lay readers for April 9th (Easter), 16th, 23rd, and 30th. 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 the last Soup, Supper, and Scripture of the Lenten season this Wednesday night, March 29th, at 6 p.m.

*** We are in need of the following for our Maundy Thursday Service: an acolyte, three or four children/youth to help with the processional entry of service elements, four Scripture readers (contact the office for the Scripture), and one adult willing to "act out" foot washing with Pastor Kyle. If you are interested in doing any of the above, please contact the church office.

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 at any time. Last week's lesson & notes are available on our church webpage under Christian Education.

Fusion Events (Youth Group for 6th-12th 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. on April 2^{nd} . 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.

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. 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 1st 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.

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 this Saturday, April 1st, 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.

Bunco Night: We will be having a Bunco night this Friday, March 31st, at 7 p.m. Please RSVP to the church no later than March 30th. 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.

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.

Feed My Starving Children: Members of Zion Lutheran Church of Grant Park have scheduled a 'servant project' with Feed My Starving Children (Aurora, IL). 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 parking lot. Children (age 7 and older), youth, and adults are all encouraged to participate. Call Zion GP's church office at 815-465-6011 to place yourself on the volunteer list. Check out <u>https://www.fmsc.org/aboutus/faqs</u> for more information.

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). We are the in home stretch of meeting this goal. Once the \$7,500 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. You can donate by direct cash/check donations to 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 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 2nd. 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