



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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April 21st, 2024

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

Welcome & Announcements

Kelly Schneider

Ringing of the Bell

Prelude

“I Love Thee” (*Ingall’s Christian Harmony*)

Lighting of the Candles

Ryleigh Schneider

***Call to Worship**

Based on Psalm 25:1-9

Kelly Schneider

Leader: Come, Christians, lift up your hearts to the Lord!

People: **To You, O Lord, we lift up our hearts! In You we trust!
Do not let us be put to shame.**

Leader: God is full of compassionate love. He brings sinners back to His way and teaches the humble the way they should go.

People: **Show us the right path, O Lord; point out the way for us to follow. Lead us by Your truth and teach us, for You are the God who saves. We put our hope in You!**

***Unison Prayer of Invocation and Confession**

O Lord God, we have sinned against You and we have even held onto our sin rather than enjoying the fellowship with You that has been purchased by our Savior. Forgive us, Lord, for clinging to the things that aren’t important. Thank You for giving us Your Holy Spirit to guide us and to advocate for us before Your throne. In the precious name of Jesus Christ, Your Son, we pray. Amen.

***Opening Worship**

“Leaning on the Everlasting Arms”

#496

Scripture Reading 2 Samuel 7:4-16 Kelly Schneider

Adult Choir “Teach Me, O Lord” (*Nolan*)

Children’s Sermon

Pastoral Prayer

Worshipping God with our Offerings

Prayer of Dedication

Offertory “Consolation #2” (*Liszt*)

Song of Response “Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus” #472

Scripture Reading I John 1:5-2:2 Pastor Kyle

Hymn “Open My Eyes, That I May See” #480

Sermon “Four Words of Comfort: Part II (Advocate)” Pastor Kyle

***Closing Hymn** “Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken” #598

***Benediction**

***Postlude** “Postlude on the Greek Amen” (*Porter*)

We at St. Peter’s are praying for:

*Carter Fortin, Linda Havelly, Taylor Cleary, Joy Currier, Heather Phillips,
Dorothy Kutemeier, Judy Schneider, Delores Schimmin, Pamela Nolan,
Roger Sturm, Kristopher Meyer, Jeff Jones, Dean Lohrbach, Jackqueline
Dupuis, Sandy Erickson, Don Claussen, Tim Langlois, Walker Hamann,
Dawn Schroeder, Dornita Hamann, Jack Hiland, and Tim Miller*



Graduation information: Are you or do you know a student who is graduating this year? Please contact the church office with the name of your preschooler, 8th grader, high schooler, or college graduate with some information about their achievements and future plans.

Baccalaureate Service: The Grant Park High School Baccalaureate service will be held at St. Peter's UCC on Wednesday, May 15th, at 6:30 p.m.

Graduation: The Grant Park high school graduation ceremony will be held on Friday, May 17th, and the Grant Park 8th grade graduation ceremony will be held on May 21st.

Graduation Sunday: Graduates will be honored on May 19th during the worship service.

Announcements

Fusion Events (Youth Group for 6th-12th graders): We will not be having a May event. 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.

Beecher Food Pantry: The pantry is looking for donations of shampoo, conditioner, dish soap, laundry soap, mayo, ketchup, mustard, hamburger helper, canned fruit, cereal, chunky soups, canned tomatoes, canned pasta, and syrup. Thank you for your continued support.

Bunco Night: We will be having a Bunco Night on Friday, May 10th, starting at 7 p.m. Cost is \$5 a person and all proceeds will go to the Bev Junker Music Scholarship. If you are willing to donate a raffle basket, have a card table you can bring, or just want to come and enjoy a night of fun, please contact the church office at (815) 465-6191 by May 8th.

Lay Readers: We are in need of lay readers beginning May 19th. If you are interested in signing up, please put your name on the lay reader sign up or contact the church office.

Teacher Book & Supply Drive: Our second annual Teacher Book and Supply Drive is underway. If you know any teachers in the local area that would like to benefit from this, please have them contact the church office at (815) 465-6191 or email stptersgp@sbcglobal.net. There is a form they can fill out with their needs for the upcoming school year. They will be able to pick their items up in August.

Dine in to Donate events: We are once again raising money for our Teacher Book and Supply Drive. Our first event is at Texas Roadhouse on Monday, May 6th, from 3p.m.-10 p.m. You **must** present the flier enclosed or have a picture of it to get credit for it. The other dates are at Culver's on Wednesday, June 19th, and Wednesday, July 10th, from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. You do not need to show the flier as all sales during this time will be donated. They do require a certain amount of adult volunteers during this time, so if anyone is interested in helping, please contact Jackie Timmons by texting (567)-249-5141. Thank you!

Teacher/Homeschool Sale: We will be having our sale July 18th through July 20th this year. Anyone wanting to sell their teaching/homeschooling items may reserve a table or more. There will be no cost, but any donations will go toward the Teacher Book and Supply Drive. If you or someone you know is interested, please have them contact Jackie Timmons.

Rummage and Vendor Sale: Our annual rummage sale is fast approaching. This year, we are teaming up with Momence in an effort to get more traffic. We also would like to sell parking spots to vendors and have a farmer's market during this time. Dates are set for June 13th, 5 p.m.-8p.m., June 14th, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and June 15th, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. If you are interested in a table, please contact Jackie Timmons. If you are dropping items off for the rummage sale, drop off dates are June 9th-June 12th during office hours or by appointment. For more information, please contact Jackie Timmons.