



ST. PETER'S United Church of Christ

310 North Meadow Street (Grant Park, IL 60940)

Sunday Morning Summer Worship – 9:00 a.m.

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Sunday, July 9th, 2023

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

Welcome & Announcements

Kevin Mussman

Ringling of the Bell

Prelude

“How Deep the Father’s Love” (*Townsend*)

***Call to Worship**

Kevin Mussman

Leader: Come, those who are weary and tired and receive rest.

People: **God is our help. He is the One Who gives peaceful rest.**

Leader: He is trustworthy – today, tomorrow, and forever.

People: **Let put aside our own desires and walk in His ways.**

***Prayer of Invocation**

Pastor Kyle

***Opening Worship**

“Fairest Lord Jesus”

#123

Scripture Reading

I Thes. 4:1-12

Kevin Mussman

Children’s Moment

Pastor Kyle

Pastoral Prayer

Special Music

“The Blessing”

Rebecca Timmons

(*Brown, Carnes, Jobe, Furtick*)

Worshipping God with our Offerings

Prayer of Dedication

Offertory

“Offertory on ‘St. Elizabeth’” (*arr. Dixon*)

*Response

“Gloria Patri”

#734

Scripture Reading

Galatians 1:6-12

Pastor Kyle

***Hymn**

“I Will Sing of My Redeemer”

#356

Sermon

“Summer Baggage: People Pleasing”

Pastor Kyle

***Closing Song**

“Just As I Am” (vs. 1, 2, 4)

#354

***Benediction**

***Postlude**

“Hope Eternal” (Broughton)

*** We are still in need of lay readers for July 16th and 23rd, and August 13th. A sign up list is on the table in the back of the sanctuary.

*** Pastor Kyle and Jackie will be on vacation this week (July 10-14). If you need anything during this time, please call the church office and leave a message with Marcia. Thank you.

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 & Marge Myers,
Sandy Erickson, Dorothy Kutemeier, Judy Schneider, Delores Schimmin,
Megan Breckenridge, Pamela Nolan, Katheryn Hickey-Scott, Ann Wessman,
Roger Sturm, Delores Thiessen, Ione Engleking, Larry Ohm,
and Jaycie Couwenhoven*



Teacher Book and Supply Drive: Last year, we had a great Supply Drive for the kids at Grant Park Schools. They still have leftovers! This year, we are doing a Teacher Book and Supply Drive. It will run similarly to the school supply drive, but with a few changes. We are hoping to help about 30 local teachers to get books and some other supplies for their classrooms that they would normally pay out of pocket for. Teachers have a “wish list” **on the back table in the sanctuary**, or you can donate directly and we can buy the items for you. We have also put a jar in the back of the sanctuary for you to drop your change (noisy offering) which will also go to this drive. Want to help another way? We have a Panera dine in to donate night set up on July 21st from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. We get 40% of the profits for this fundraiser! (You **MUST** take a flier with you or show the flier from your phone for us to get credit for these). We can also get credit for online orders. Please read the flier for more details. If you have any questions, please contact Jackie Timmons at 815-466-4048 or text 567-249-5141. Thank you!

Teacher/Homeschool Sale: Tell all your teacher friends! On July 20th, (5 p.m. to 8 p.m.), July 21st, (9 a.m. to 5 p.m.), and July 22nd, (9 a.m. to 12 p.m.), we will be holding a teacher/homeschool curriculum, books, and supplies sale. If you know a teacher or homeschool family that would like to sell their items/trade them with someone else, please pass on the information. Tables are \$10 each and proceeds will support the Teacher Book and Supply Drive. Please contact Jackie Timmons for any more information.

Announcements

Wine & the Word (Wednesdays this Summer): Everyone is invited to join us Wednesday nights on the side porch of the parsonage as we fellowship with one another, share time in God's Word, and have a time of prayer. KIDS ARE WELCOME to come and play in the side yard (weather permitting). If the weather is bad, we'll meet in the church basement. You may bring an adult beverage (or two) to enjoy; otherwise we will have ice water & lemonade available each week. We will also have some wine to share for those who would like a glass. Feel free to bring a snack to share if you want (not necessary). Please bring a chair (in case we run out). We gather at 6:30 p.m., begin our time of devotion at 7 p.m., and are done around 7:30 p.m. (you may stay longer if you desire). We currently meet every Wednesday through August 23rd (except this Wednesday, July 12th). As always, invite a neighbor or friend as this will be a casual time of gathering and a great time to meet and learn more about one another.

Fusion Events (Youth Group for 6th-12th graders): Fusion would like to thank everyone who supported the car wash fundraiser. 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.

The Beecher Food Pantry: is asking for corn, cereal, dish soap, canned fruit, deodorant, shampoo, conditioner, body wash, hamburger helper, paper towels, toilet paper, canned tomatoes, french style green beans, baking mixes, ketchup, canned tuna, and pancake mix. Donations may be dropped off in the baskets located by the courtyard entrance. Thank you.

Noisy Offering: A big glass jar is located in the back of the sanctuary to donate your loose change (it makes "noise" as you drop it in) or bills. This money will go toward the Teacher Book and Supply Drive. Thank you.

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 July 17th, they will have an indoor picnic. If you have any questions, please contact Dianna at (815)-465-6933. Thank you.

Culver's Donate While You Dine Night: Thank you to all who came out to support our fundraiser! We raised \$470 for the Teacher Book and Supply Drive!

Texas Roadhouse Dine In To Donate: Thank you to all who came out to support our fundraiser! We are still waiting to hear back how much was raised.

Panera Bread Fundraising Night: Mark your calendars for July 21st from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Panera will donate 40% of their sales during this time to the Teacher Book and Supply Drive. You **MUST** present the flier or show a picture of it when ordering. You can also order online and put in the promo code for us to get credit! Please see the flier for more details. Thank you for your generosity!

Vendor Sale: We will be having a vendor sale during the Grant Park festival this year. We are looking for home based vendors (Tupperware, Scentsy, etc.) and crafters who are interested in selling their items on Friday, September 8th, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday, September 9th, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Cost is \$10 per table and set up will be Thursday, September 7th. If you are a home based vendor or know of someone who is in the church, please contact Jackie Timmons asap as only one vendor per each business will be allowed to sell. Please contact the church office at 815-465-6191 if interested.



Sunday, August 20th - 2 to 5 PM

Everyone is welcome to join us for a family fun event on Sunday, August 20th, at St. Peter's UCC (310 N. Meadow Street) in Grant Park, IL.

There will be a dunk tank to raise money for local missions' projects (on a donation basis), a large sand pit area for children to play in, an inflatable Lumberjack Axe Throwing Game, a Water Inflatable castle/slide, an inflatable volleyball/jousting ring, a dry inflatable for kids to play in, a bags (aka corn hole) area, an outdoor volleyball area, and more.

The inflatables are FREE for everyone.

Hungry? Pick up a pulled pork sandwich or meal (with chips, a dessert, and a beverage). Cost to be determined prior to the event for food purchase.



Holy Land 2025 Trip: Pastor Kyle is eager to lead another trip to the Holy Land. Are you interested? Have you ever considered the opportunity to walk in the footsteps of Jesus? Not sure, but want to learn more?

Join us for an informative meeting and discussion about a trip in 2025. The meeting will be on Tuesday, August 8th @ 7 pm in the church conference room.

Interested, but unable to attend the meeting? Let Pastor Kyle know and he'll provide information as plans begin to unfold.