

ST. PETER'S United Church of Christ

310 North Meadow Street (Grant Park, IL 60940)

Sunday Morning Summer Worship – 9:00 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

Sunday, July 30th, 2023

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

Welcome & Announcements		Shari Ohm		
Ringing of the Bell				
<u>Prelude</u>	"Prelude in C" (Bach)			
<u>*Call to Worship</u>		Shari Ohm		
Leader:	Almighty God, this morning we ask that			
	You would open our ears.			
People:	Help us to hear Your Word.			
Leader:	Open our eyes			
People:	that we may see Your presence.			
Leader:	Open our arms			
People:	that we may embrace our community.			
Leader:	Open our minds			
People:	that we may understand the beauty of truth.			
Leader:	Open our hearts			
People:	to experience the joy of new life.			

*Prayer of Invocation and Confession

*Opening Worship	"Rock of Ages"	#384
Scripture Reading	Psalm 119:89-106	Shari Ohm
<u>Children's Moment</u>		

Pastoral Prayer

Worshipping God with our Offerings

Prayer of Dedica	ation	
Offertory	"Offertory in G" (Kohler)	
*Response	"Gloria Patri"	#734
Scripture Reading	Ephesians 6:10-20	Pastor Kyle
<u>*Hymn</u>	"He Leadeth Me"	#499
<u>Sermon</u>	"Time to Take a Stand"	Pastor Kyle
*Closing Song	"Spirit of the Living God"	#492
*Benediction		
<u>*Postlude</u>	"My Hope is Built on Nothing Less"	

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, 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, Bill Riley, and the family of Jackie Davis



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. We have put a jar in the back of the sanctuary for you to drop your change (noisy offering) or bills into. Thank you to all who have supported the Dine in to Donate events. It has brought in a total of \$745.16! If you have any questions, please contact Jackie Timmons at 815-466-4048 or text 567-249-5141. Thank you!

Announcements

Wine & the Word: Everyone is invited to join us for the last Wine and the Word this Wednesday night 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. 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). 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): On August 13th, the youth will be going to the Kankakee Water Park. 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. There will be no meeting in August. If you have any questions, please contact Dianna at (815)-465-6933. Thank you.

Roof Update: Work on the east part of the roof will begin on August 12th. We are in need of 3 or 4 workers to help remove the old roof and several hands on the ground for clean up. Parking on that side of the church may not be available while the work is being done. If you are interested in helping, please contact Jim Schneider or the church office. Thank you.

Panera Bread Fundraising Night: Thank you so much for all who attended this fundraiser. We raised \$150.16!

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.

Financial Secretary: St. Peter's will be in need of someone to fill the financial secretary position beginning later this year. Training will be available. If you are interested, please contact the church office. Thank you.



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 held on Tuesday, August 8^{th} , @ 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.