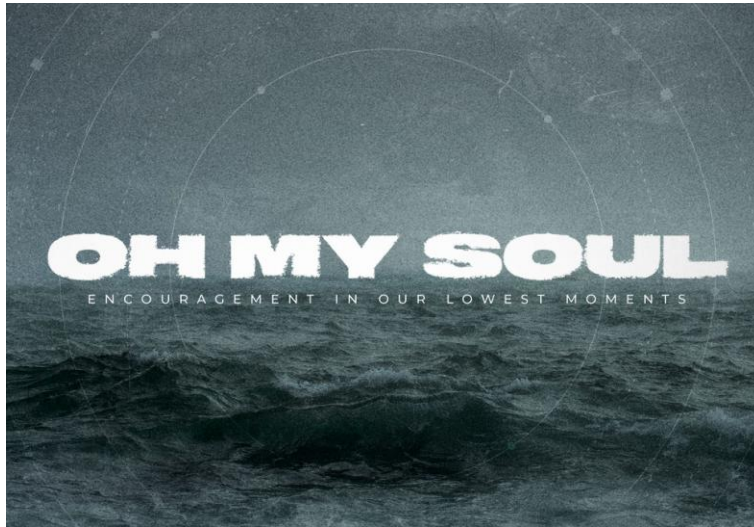


ST. PETER'S UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST



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God is still speaking

ORDER OF WORSHIP

August 21st, 2022

9:00 AM

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

Welcome and Announcements

Neal Currier

Ringing of the Bell

Prelude

*Call to Worship

Neal Currier

Leader: We often feel as if we are wandering through our lives, searching for something we cannot name. We come today to listen for hope, to pray for strength, and to experience God's love.

People: **Speak to us of faith, hope, and love, O Lord.**

Leader: As the deer longs for flowing water in the wilderness, we long to drink deeply of God's promise for us. Knowing God is here, we join together on our journey.

People: **Lead us to your still waters, O Lord.**

Leader: Imprisoned by rules of our own making, we come to remember and claim our faith. Assured by the vision of Christ, whose sacrifice leads us to heaven, we come in fellowship with one another.

People: **Clothe us in the love of Christ, O Lord.**

Leader: With shouts of praise and songs of thanksgiving, we come to celebrate the God of hope, the Spirit of peace, and the Christ of redeeming love.

People: **We come to pray. We come to sing. We come to worship and praise.**

***Unison Prayer of Invocation**

Lord of the ages, in the hurry of our lives we do not always make time to love, pray, or worship You with our praises. Our desire is to be strong, but we often feel like we have no control. The winds of change toss us around like unanchored vessels; our relationships often feel like they are rocked by earthquakes or burned by the fires of doubt. Forgetting that which we cannot see, we ask, "Oh, God – have you forgotten me?" Help us trust more in Your presence, even when we feel completely alone. With the promise of Christ as our hope, lead us from our own wilderness wanderings into the well-tended garden of Your great mercy and love. Amen.

***Opening Worship**

“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”

#71

Children’s Message

Pastoral Prayer

Sharing of Joys & Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

Lord’s Prayer

Scripture

Psalm 42

Neal Currier

Worship Song

“As the Deer”

#471

Presentation of our Offerings

Offertory Sentence & Prayer

Offertory

*Doxology

#34

Scripture

I Kings 19:1-18

Pastor Kyle

Song

“Trust and Obey”

#443

Message “Oh, My Soul-Confidence in God” Pastor Kyle

***Closing Song** “’Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus” #442

***Unison Spoken Benediction**

Pastor: Praise the God of Elijah, Who is steadfast and strong
in the wilderness.

People: **Our hope is in God!**

Pastor: Praise the God of the lost, Who is our rock and our help
in times of need.

People: **Our help is in God!**

Pastor: Praise the God of Jesus Christ, Who makes us children
of the beloved.

People: **Our life is in Christ! Amen!**

***Postlude**



We at St. Peter's are praying for:

*Gary Ekhoﬀ, Gene Sievers, Carter Fortin, Brian Koop,
Linda Havely, Taylor Cleary, Joy Currier, Richie Rodriguez, Heather
Phillips, Mary Ann Price, Keith Myers, Marge Myers, Sandy Erickson,
Dorothy Kutemeier, Judy Schneider, Tanner Barrera, Delores Schimmin,
Mark Millay, and the family of Opal Hartman.*

Announcements

Fall Worship Schedule will begin on Sunday, September 11th. Worship will begin at 10:30 am. Youth Choir and Sunday School will begin on September 25th at 9:00 am for Sunday School and 9:45 am for Youth Choir.

Fusion Events (Youth Group for 6th-12th graders) are happening each month. On September 17th, they will be marching in the Grant Park Festival parade. More details will be available on our Fusion Youth Facebook page or by going 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 the following donations: baked beans, canned potatoes, pasta (spaghetti, egg noodles, and mostoccoli), tuna, canned chicken, jello (regular and sugar free), tomato soup, canned pasta, shampoo, conditioner, deodorant, and body wash.

The Church Blessing Box is getting empty. If you have items that can be placed in the box (that won't perish in the heat, etc.), please feel free to fill the box up or bring the items to the church office and we'll stock as needed.

The Gaither Vocal Band is performing at Olivet on Saturday, November 19th. We have limited tickets left. If you are interested in going, please submit your payment to the church office. Thank you.

Our Second Rummage Sale weekend is approaching. If you didn't have time in the spring to go through your stuff, now is the time! Drop off will be Monday, September 12th-14th during office hours or by appointment. We will need helpers to sort and price throughout the week and work the sale. We will be open Thursday, September 15th, 5 pm to 8 pm, Friday, September 16th, 9 am to 5 pm, and Saturday, September 17th, 9 am to noon. Please contact Jackie Timmons if you have questions or can help with the sale.

Summer Fun Day

September 11th 2 pm-4 pm

Spiderman
&
Rapunzel



*Registration will fill up quickly, so please submit your forms to St. Peter's UCC (PO Box 220, Grant Park, IL) or email pastorkyletimmons@live.com

Join us to meet one or both of your favorite characters (and get a picture with them), enjoy an activity with that character (TBD), make a craft, have some food, and hear a Bible lesson expressing how valuable you are to God!

Event is open for 6th graders and below and must have a parent/guardian present.

Cost is \$15 a child (\$10 for each additional child in your household).

**Don't let money be an issue; if you can't afford the full amount, please let us know – the cost is to help offset the cost of the characters, crafts, and food. We are not trying to make a profit.

More details will be provided about activities, food, etc. at stpeters.org (go to Events, Summer Fun Day).

Please submit the following information to the church office, email pastorkyletimmons@live.com, or mail to the church: Name(s) of children, ages, parent/guardian information (i.e. name, address, email, and phone number), food allergy, and payment.

Fusion (Youth Group)

Fusion is igniting the lives of young people here at St. Peter's and our local communities through event gatherings, meals, fundraisers, and more!

We are extremely thankful to all who have helped with our recent endeavors through financial support, hands on support, meal support, and prayer.

In the upcoming months, we could use a little more help. Here are some more ways you can help us ignite our program:

Sponsor or Serve a lunch/meal to Fusion when needed.

Purchase a second Fusion Banner - \$180

Bags of Candy (or monetary donation towards) – for GP Fest Parade

If you are able to donate any of the above items or make a donation towards the purchase of these items, we will graciously accept any donation to help offset the cost.

Again, we thank you for your support and look forward to bringing the hope and love of Jesus Christ to our community.

Rally Day

Mark your calendars for September 25th as we celebrate Rally Day!



We will start with Sunday School at 9 am and the youth choir having their first practice of the year at 9:45 am.



After the 10:30 am service, we will have a spaghetti lunch, bike-a-thon, and balloon release.

This is going to be an exciting day that you don't want to miss! Hope to see you there!

Fusion Fundraiser



Who doesn't like pizza? There's a great way to support Fusion and enjoy some delicious pizza at the same time.

The youth group will be selling Little Caesar's Pizza kits. Each kit is \$20.99 and includes two pizzas. You can also purchase breadsticks and desserts. Once you place the order, it will be shipped directly to your house.

To order, please scan the QR code above or go to the following link:

<https://fundraising.littlecaesars.com/fundraisers/support/923dd692-b3c0-4c4a-832b-e5648a6c9485>

***This is only available until September 4th, so don't delay. Thank you again for your continued support of our Fusion Youth Group.

Save the Date

We have many upcoming events.
Please make sure to mark your calendars.

- September 11th: Worship Service @ 10:30 am
Spiderman & Rapunzel Event @ 2 pm
- 15th-17th: Rummage Sale
- 25th: Rally Day (Spaghetti Luncheon, Bike-a-
thon, and balloon release)
- 28th Adult Choir rehearsal begins @ 7 pm
- October 7th: Bunco @ 7 pm
- November 5th: Turkey Supper
- 11th: Wine & Canvas Night @ 6 pm
- 19th: Gaither Vocal Band Concert @ Olivet