# ST. PETER'S UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST



Sunday School – 9:00 a.m.

Sunday Morning Worship – 10:30 a.m.

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# **ORDER OF WORSHIP**

October 16<sup>th</sup>, 2022 10:30 AM

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

#### **Pre-Service Music & Countdown**

### **Welcome and Announcements**

Audrey Lehnert

# **Ringing of the Bell**

**Prelude** "Love Was When" (Wyrtzen)

\*Call to Worship Audrey Lehnert

<u>Leader</u>: Rejoice, Christians, Jesus is in our midst! **People:** Feed us, Jesus, and fill us with hope.

<u>Leader</u>: Be glad, Christians, Jesus has bread and fish to spare!

**People:** Free us, Jesus, from the pursuit of food that does not satisfy.

<u>Leader</u>: Sing for joy, people of God; God gathers up the pieces of

our lives, that nothing may be lost.

**People: Thanks be to God!** 

# \*Unison Prayer of Invocation

Pastor Kyle

God of our hopes and dreams; we come to You empty and long to be filled; we come hungry and long to be fed; we come lost and long to be found. Gather us into Your amazing love and pick up the pieces of our lives, just as Christ gathered up the fragments of the five loaves and two fish that remained after the feeding of the five thousand. Call us anew to eat our fill and to find true nourishment and satisfaction in the Bread that comes from Heaven, Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen.

\*Hymn

"All Creatures of Our God and King"

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# **Children's Sermon**

Scripture Reading Isaiah 25:6-8, 40:10-11 Audrey Lehnert

**Hymn** "Praise Him! Praise Him!" #95

Pastoral Prayer Pastor Kyle

Sharing of Joys & Concerns

Responsive Pastoral Prayer (see insert)

Lord's Prayer

Adult Choir Anthem "In the Shadow of Your Wings" (Blake)

#### **Presentation of our Offerings**

Offertory Proyer

Offertory Prayer

Offertory "Traumerei" (Schumann)

\*Doxology #34

Scripture Luke 9:10-17 Pastor Kyle

Message "Dinner with the Masses-No Excuses Allowed" Pastor Kyle

\*Closing Song "O God, Our Help in Ages Past" (vs. 1-4) #84

# **Spoken Benediction**

\*Postlude "Finale in C Major" (Purcell)

# We at St. Peter's are praying for:

Gary Ekhoff, Gene Sievers, Carter Fortin, Brian Koop, Linda Havely, Taylor Cleary, Joy Currier, Heather Phillips, Mary Ann Price, Keith Myers, Marge Myers, Sandy Erickson, Dorothy Kutemeier, Judy Schneider, Delores Schimmin, Megan Breckenridge, Neal Currier, Tom Barrera, Pamela Nolan, the family of Bev Junker, the family of Ryan Krupianik, the family of Peggy Dauphin, the Verhulst family, and Jill & Jeff Miller (& baby)

# **Serving you today:**

Greeters: Ken & Sandy Erickson

Lay Reader: Audrey Lehnert

Organist: Ann Smith

# This week at St. Peter's:

Wednesday, Oct. 19<sup>th</sup>: Adult Choir Rehearsal (7 pm) Wednesday, Oct. 19<sup>th</sup>: Dartball @ Manhattan (8 pm)

# **Announcements**

**Round Table Discussions (Sundays @ 9 am)** We will be having a series of discussions for adults in the Clyde Lange Hall to discuss a variety of topics including how to encourage people to return to church, issues within the United Church of Christ, short and long term visions for St. Peter's, and more. We need you and your thoughts, opinions, and interactions. The first gathering will be October 30<sup>th</sup> @ 9 am. We will also meet November 13<sup>th</sup>, November 20<sup>th</sup>, and go from there.

Fusion Events (Youth Group for 6th-12th graders) are happening each month. They will be serving the food at the Turkey Supper for the month of November. 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: canned carrots, spaghetti noodles, pasta sauce, creamed corn, canned pasta, hearty soups, pancake mix, syrup, shampoo, conditioner, dish soap, laundry detergent, and paper towels.

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

October

30<sup>th</sup>: Round Table Adult Class @ 9 am

**November** 

5th: Turkey Supper @ 4:00 pm

\*6th: Special Guest Speaker @ 10:30 am

11th: Wine & Canvas Night @ 6:00 pm

19th: Gaither Vocal Band Concert @ Olivet

23rd: Thanksgiving Eve Service @ 7:00 pm

\*Please join us on Sunday, November 6<sup>th</sup>, to welcome Jeff McDaniel as he shares some of his life's experiences from growing up in the small town of Grant Park to his current ministry. Jeff is the founder of 220 Life Ministries in Washington, D.C. Along with his wife Beth, he is passionate about God's calling to make disciples of all nations. Jeff will share experiences from his military career as an officer to his making disciples on six different continents. Jeff has authored several books and will have some available following November 6th's worship service.

# 100<sup>th</sup> Annual Turkey Supper

For 100 years, our faithful congregation has hosted an annual Turkey Supper. It could not have gone on this long without everyone coming together to help. This year, we want to celebrate this accomplishment, but we need your help.

We need people to cook the turkeys. While this is a need every year, it would be extremely helpful to have our sign-up sheet filled now so we are able to plan better. \*\*Please mark your names on your roaster if you are bringing and leaving it. This helps us tremendously to make sure you get your roaster back in a timely manner.

We need desserts. Please sign up on the sheet and tell us what you plan on bringing.

We NEED workers. We start October 30<sup>th</sup> and work until after the Supper is over. Whether you can help for an hour, all week, or help during the Supper, you are needed! If a lot of us do a little bit, it will help those working all week enormously.

We need raffle baskets. The goal this year is 100 baskets for 100 years. We would like to try something a little different. We still want people to do the baskets. If you don't normally do a basket or have no interest in doing a basket, we ask that you consider making a donation toward the purchase of an item or basket. We would like to buy some more expensive prizes this year, so a donation would be greatly appreciated. Please make sure to designate your donation specifically to the raffle basket purchases so it is allocated appropriately. \*\*\*We would like the baskets ASAP so we can advertise them and sell tickets early.

Contact Shirley Koehn at (708) 254-2694 for more details. Thank you.

# Wine and Canvas Night



# Friday, November 11<sup>th</sup> – 6 PM

To make reservations to attend our Wine and Canvas evening hosted by Grant Park's art teacher, Jennifer Capizzano, contact the church office at 815-465-6191.

Cost is \$50 a person and includes hors d'oeuvres (i.e. snacks), wine, canvas, and supplies.

### **Gaither Vocal Band Concert**



The Gaither Vocal Band is coming to Olivet on **November 19<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm.** We have a limited amount of tickets left for \$26 each. If you are interested in going, please stop by the church office to let Jackie know.

#### **Responsive Pastoral Prayer**

<u>Pastor</u>: Loving God, You have created all life and are the Giver of each breath that we have. When Your hand opens, it satisfies the hunger and thirst of every living being. We come to You this hour, seeking to be filled, trusting in Your love and Your abundant goodness.

<u>People</u>: As You once fed the hungry crowds with five loaves and two small fish, we ask that You would again fill those who are empty this day. Pour out Your Spirit on all who hunger and thirst.

<u>Pastor</u>: We pray for those who are physically hungry – whose stomachs are empty. We think of the people around the world who face food shortages; those suffering the effects of malnutrition and starvation and those watching helplessly as loved ones die.

**People:** Lord, in Your mercy, open Your hand. Pour out Your Spirit, so that they may be filled.

<u>Pastor</u>: We pray for those who are emotionally empty – who are lonely and long for companionship and love; those who are caught in the grip of depression or overwhelmed with grief.

**People:** Lord, in Your mercy, open Your hand. Pour out Your Spirit, so that they may be filled.

<u>Pastor</u>: We pray for those who are spiritually empty— who are troubled, but don't know where to turn; who long for purpose and meaning, but don't know where to look; who need You, but do not yet know You.

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**<u>People</u>**: Lord, in Your mercy, open Your hand. Pour out Your Spirit, so that they may be filled.

<u>Pastor</u>: Heavenly Father, we also pray for our loved ones -- those hurting physically, those working to regain their health and strength; those grieving the loss of loved ones. We especially pray today for:

We lift them up into Your loving care.

<u>People</u>: Fill us all with Your compassion and love to care for one another, to encourage the downcast, to pray for the sick, and to provide for the needy. Lord, in Your mercy, open Your hand. Pour out Your Spirit, so that all may be filled.

<u>Pastor</u>: God, we praise You for Your abundant gifts in our lives. We share, in joy, the many blessings we all encounter daily in our lives. We worship You for all that You have done, all that You are doing, and all that You will do among Your people. We pray these things in the name of Jesus Christ – the One Who taught His disciples to pray:

<u>People</u>: Our Father, Who art in Heaven. Hallowed be Thy Name. Thy Kingdom come, Thy Will be done, on earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.