


ST. PETER'S UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST



Sunday School – 9:00 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship – 10:30 a.m.
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**UNITED CHURCH
OF CHRIST**

God is still speaking

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310 N. Meadow St.
Grant Park, Illinois 60940

ORDER OF WORSHIP

November 27th, 2022

10:30 AM

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

Pre-Service Music & Countdown

Welcome & Announcements

Kevin Mussman

Ringing of the Bell

Prelude

“Sing We Now of Christmas” (*Krug*)

*Call to Worship

Kevin Mussman

Leader: I was glad when they said to me, “Let us go to the House of the Lord!”

People: **To give thanks to the name of the Lord.**

Leader: Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: “May they prosper who love you.”

People: **“Peace be within your walls and security within your towers.”**

Leader: For the sake of my relatives and friends I will say, “Peace be within you.”

People: **For the sake of the House of the Lord, our God, I will seek your good.**

*Prayer of Invocation

*Hymn

“Star-Child”

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Scripture Reading

Isaiah 2:1-5

Kevin Mussman

Children's Message

Lighting of the Advent Candle

Pastoral Prayer

Sharing of Joys & Concerns
Pastoral Prayer
Lord's Prayer

Special Music

“Prayer” (*Glover*)

Rebecca Timmons

Worshipping God with our Offerings

Prayer of Dedication

Offertory

“Huron Carol” (*Fedak*)

*Responsive Song

“Emmanuel, Emmanuel”

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Scripture

Psalm 122

Message

“Moving On Up”

Pastor Kyle

*Closing Song

“Lift Up Your Heads, O Mighty Gates”

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*Spoken Benediction

*Postlude

“Come Thou Long-Expected Jesus” (*Wesley*)

This week at St. Peter's:

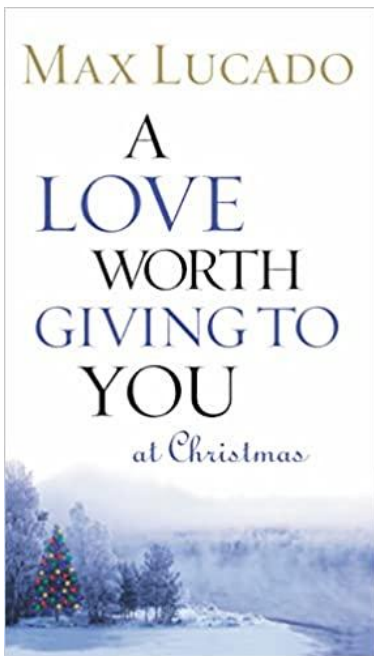
Wednesday, Nov. 30th: Choir Rehearsal (7 p.m.)

Wednesday, Nov. 30th: Dartball vs. Peotone (8 p.m.)

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 Myers, Marge Myers, Sandy Erickson, Dorothy Kutemeier, Judy Schneider, Delores Schimmin, Megan Breckenridge, Neal Currier, Tom Barrera, Pamela Nolan, Alexis Verhulst, the Verhulst family, the family of Alex Meyer, the family of Michael Williamson, and Jill & Jeff Miller (& baby)

“A Love Worth Giving to You at Christmas”



The Missions' Team has purchased 150 copies of Max Lucado's book *A Love Worth Giving to You at Christmas* as an opportunity for you to share the love of Jesus with someone nearby this Christmas.

With each book, we have provided a postcard with our Christmas Eve service times and other information to invite the recipients to worship with us.

Our hope is that you take a copy (or a few) and hand them to someone you know as an invitation to worship with us. Being strategic in using them to give to someone who doesn't already attend church, has been gone for a while, or as an opportunity to share God's love with someone who really needs encouraging this Christmas season will help us make the most out of this outreach opportunity.

The books are available on the tables near the back of the sanctuary.

Announcements

Deeper During Advent Discussions (Sundays @ 9 am): Join us during the 9 a.m. Christian Education Hour during Advent for a Bible Study geared towards celebrating Advent. Classes will meet in the Clyde Lange Fellowship Hall on November 27th and December 4th, 11th, and 18th.

Advent Daily Devotionals by PK: Beginning November 27th, Pastor Kyle will release a new Advent Daily Devotional each day during the Advent Season.

These will be available on our church website at www.stpetersgp.org under Media/Devotions. We will also try to post them daily on the St. Peter's UCC Facebook Page.

If you'd like to receive these daily devotionals via email each day, please email Pastor Kyle at pastorkyletimmons@live.com to be added to the daily email list.

Christmas Program (Children & Youth) Information: The children and youth have been rehearsing the past few weeks during the Sunday School hour for the Christmas Program next Sunday. The kids would love for you to attend and join them afterwards for Santa, and a soup, salad, and dessert luncheon.

Join us for a Fellowship Lunch: Next week following the Christmas Program, please bring a soup, salad, or dessert to share. Sandwiches will be provided.

The Beecher Food Pantry: is asking for canned carrots, spaghetti noodles, pasta sauce, creamed corn, canned pasta, hearty soups, pancake mix, syrup, shampoo, conditioner, dish soap, laundry detergent, and paper towels.

Fusion Events (Youth Group for 6th-12th graders): The youth will be having a lock-in on December 16th at 5:30 p.m. Pick up is on December 17th at 9 a.m. 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.

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Christmas Eve Services: will be at 4:00 p. m. and 7:00 p.m. on December 24th. Communion will be shared during the 7:00 p.m. service. We will have candlelight at both services.

Christmas Day Worship: will be at 10:30 a.m. There will NOT be Sunday School that morning. **New Year's Day** service will be online ONLY. It will be available on our facebook page, our church website at www.stpetersgp.org (Under Media & Sermons), and on YouTube (Search Reverend KJT for the page).

Closing the Gap: As we near the end of the year, we have found that our church giving for 2022 is below our church budget/expenditures by roughly \$6,000. This is not terrible considering the economic times we are in; however, if you are able to give a little more during the upcoming weeks or are making your end of the year contributions, please prayerfully considering giving above and beyond to help St. Peter's finish the financial year on a strong note. Thanks!

Holiday Helper presents are to be returned unwrapped and with the original tag taped to it by December 11th. Thank you to everyone who generously supports the local program that provides presents to area families in need at Christmas.