

THE KEYS

ST. PETER'S UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST GRANT PARK, IL



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St. Peter's

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OF CHRIST**

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God is still speaking.



Just this past weekend, the women's 400-meter hurdles world record was broken at the World Athletics Championships by Sydney McLaughlin.

Her time of 50.68 broke her previous record as she became the first female athlete to post a time of under 51 seconds in the event.

Following her race, like so many other athletes before, she offered all the credit to her Savior and said that she was "in awe of God."

She went on by quoting Hebrews 4:16, "Let us then approach God's throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need."

A message the world really needs to hear.

Christians, we belong to a loving God who allows us to approach Him. We don't need to go through any other avenue. We can simply come to His throne and do so confidently.

God showed us mercy through His Son, Jesus Christ, and His grace is the free gift of salvation for anyone who believes.

Do you have a need that is void and empty right now? Turn it over to Jesus. He will help you in your need.

As our church sign currently reads, "We all have problems only Jesus can fix."

Love in Christ,

Reverend Kyle J. Timmons

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AUGUST CALENDAR OF EVENTS (TENTATIVE)

DATE:	TIME	EVENT
2ND	7:00 PM	CHRISTIAN ED. MEETING
7TH	9:00 AM	WORSHIP SERVICE
7TH	10:30 AM- 4:00 PM	FUSION EVENT-LUNCH AND MINI GOLF
11TH	7:00 PM	MISSIONS TEAM MEETING
14TH	9:00 AM	WORSHIP SERVICE
14TH	12:00 PM- 2:00PM	BACK TO SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE GIVEAWAY
21ST	9:00 AM	WORSHIP SERVICE (TAILGATE)
23RD	7:00 PM	COUNCIL MEETING
28TH	9:00 AM	WORSHIP SERVICE

Monthly Church Council Minutes

If you are interested in receiving a copy of the previous month's council minutes, please contact the church office. An e-mail copy can be sent or we can supply a printed version.

stpetersgp@sbcglobal.net

Church Website: www.stpetersgp.org

Facebook: St. Peters UCC Grant Park

Office Hours: Monday–Thursday: 8AM – 11AM

Friday 8AM-12PM

STAFF

Rev Kyle Timmons, Pastor

Jacquelyn Timmons, Office Administrator

Beverly Junker, Financial Secretary

Ann Smith, Senior Choir Director

Betty Wolfe, Youth Choir Director

Judy Schneider and Shari Ohm, Organists

Jake Ewoldt, Custodian

Neal Currier & Josh Hamann, Youth Advisors

Neal Currier & Josh Hamann, Connect Leaders

2022 CHURCH COUNCIL

David Lehnert, President

Brian McKinstry, Vice President

Heidi Frahm, Secretary

Larry Voigt, Treasurer

Carrie Langlois, Assistant Treasurer

Lou Ann Hamann, Shirley Koehn, Rhiannon Currier, &

Jim Schneider



***No Matter Who You Are or Where You Are on Life's Journey,
You Are Welcome Here***

How to Worship With Us Online

Facebook: Search for our church page by typing in St. Peters UCC Grant Park. Follow our facebook page. Each Sunday (10:30 am during the traditional school year), our live service will be available.

YouTube: Go to www.youtube.com. In the search engine, type St. Peter's Grant Park (choose the one with the Upper Case "S" in the Red Circle). We will post recorded services here as we upload them. https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCZYV5H_JF-C71se0_kxPl8g

Church Website: Go to www.stpetersgp.org . On the top menu, go to Media, Choose Sermons, and click the one you want to watch.



You are the Body of Christ!

If you haven't been to church in a while....

It's okay – we are ready to have you back.



The Missions' Team at St. Peter's would like to encourage everyone to be involved in serving Jesus. **There are several ways you can actively and financially support local and church missions' projects:**

BEECHER FOOD PANTRY

The Beecher Food Pantry housed at St. Luke's is in *desperate* need of our support. They are asking for donations of soups, ramen noodles, canned fruit, canned pasta, mayo, ketchup, mustard, jelly, peanut butter, paper towels, toothpaste, deodorant, and shampoo. Donations can be placed in the basket located in the entrance of the courtyard doors. Thank you.

ST. PETER'S UCC BLESSING BOX

Don't forget that we have a "Blessings' Box" outside the courtyard church entrance. It is starting to become bare. Feel free to donate to it as you can. *Several area youth often check it out to see if there are snacks and other families have relied on it over the years.

MISSION'S SUPPORT AVAILABLE

Are you, or someone you know, in need of financial assistance or support? Perhaps assistance in paying a bill? Food assistance? Help with a mission trip? If you'd like a request form, please email stpetersgp@sbcglobal.net, pastorkyletimmons@live.com, call us at (815) 465-6191, or check out our forms on our church website. Forms are to be submitted to the Mission's Team.



Supporting St. Peter's

The congregation of St. Peter's UCC in Grant Park has always been a generous people.

We continue to thank God for those who prayerfully and financially support St. Peter's UCC and its' ministries.

We want to make sure that our church continues to grow and is around for a much longer time. Therefore, we kindly ask you to prayerfully consider giving financially on a consistent basis.

Here are some ways you can honor God with the support of your local church, in addition to the traditional mode of giving your gifts via the weekly offering plates:

Electronic (EFT) Giving

Contact the church office, or Bev Junker, and ask for help to get set up with an EFT (electronic transfer) from your bank account. You can have your gifts taken out weekly, bi-monthly, monthly, etc. and you always have access to changing the amount or canceling at any time.

This is a GREAT way to make sure you are giving on a regular basis (even if you miss church due to illness, vacation, or weather).

Website Giving

In addition to EFT giving, there is another avenue that you can plug into your phone right now that is safe and protected. You can provide a credit card number or a bank account and set it up to give as frequently as you desire. Feel free to share the web address with others. <https://tithe.ly/give?c=696160>



Students in Grades 6-12

Fusion August Event: On August 7th, the youth will have lunch in the fellowship hall after church and then go to play mini golf. 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.

Fusion gathered in July for lunch and went to Splash Valley Waterpark in Kankakee.



Fusion financial gifts may be given at any time through your offerings or dropped off at the church office. *Please be sure to note that your gift(s) are for Fusion Youth Group so that the money is allocated appropriately. Thank you to all who have donated. It's greatly appreciated.

Do you have a student in grades 6-12 or know of a student who may benefit from a Christ-centered program? Contact us for more information about our Fusion Youth Group and stay updated on future meetings, events, and ways to get involved.

Summer Fun Day



September 11th

2:00 pm –4:00 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.

AUGUST BIRTHDAY LIST

These birthdays are compiled from church membership records.

Please call our attention to any omissions or corrections.

Linda Ault	2	Matt Hamann	19
Jacquelyn Timmons	4	Richard Boicken	19
Jessica Bornemann	4	Anna Timmons	21
Shirley Riley	4	Evelyn Bond	22
Jared Heldt	7	Gavin Reynolds	22
Bob Hoevet	8	Dorothy Kutemeier	23
Larry Ohm	8	Barbara Fanning	26
Dennis Granger	9	Patrick Koehn	26
Jan Voigt	11	Russell Koehn	26
Karen Spangler	11	Tyler Williamson	26
Susan Williamson	15	Chase Bornemann	27
Nicholas Timmons	17	Kelly Schneider	27
Eric Frahm	19	Paige Sherwood	29

In Our Thoughts and Prayers:

Gary Ekhoﬀ, Gene Sievers, Melissa Mort, Reverend Frank Hoss, Carter Fortin, Mason Beseke, Keith Myers, Marge Myers, Heather Phillips, Austin Delaney, Linda Havely, Taylor Cleary, Joy Currier, Richie Rodriguez, Dorothy Kutemeier, Mary Ann Price, Judy Schneider, Tanner Barrera, Sandy Erickson, and Delores Schimmin

CONTACT INFORMATION FOR MEMBERS NOT ABLE TO ATTEND CHURCH ON A REGULAR BASIS

Minnie Pfingsten
703 N. East Street
Hudson, IL 61748

Rev Frank Hoss
601 Lutz Road
Bloomington, IL 61704

Announcements

Worship Opportunities: We are looking for lay readers and ushers. If you are interested, please contact the church office.

Rummage Sale: The Rummage Sale was a huge success! Thank you to all who sorted and priced items, and volunteered to help work the sale. We couldn't have done it without you. We raised over \$1,500. If you weren't able to drop off your items for this sale, we will be having another one the weekend of Oktoberfest (September 15th-17th). Please drop off your items September 12th-14th. We will also need workers to help sort and work the sale. Please contact Jackie Timmons if you are interested in helping. Thank you again for your support!

Specially marked envelopes: Envelopes have been made for Fusion and Fortitude. They are located on the back tables of the sanctuary. Feel free to use those or mail in your donations. Thank you for your support of these two wonderful programs.

Announcement Deadlines for Bulletins & Newsletters: Just a friendly reminder that announcements for church related functions need to be submitted to the office by Thursday, 10 am, to be included in the bulletin for that week. Newsletter items need to be submitted prior to the 25th of each month. Lastly, if you'd like something included on the church facebook or webpage, please let the church office or Pastor Kyle know. Thank you.

Bakers Needed for Communion Sunday



Bakers Kneaded (Needed) - Can you bake? We are in need of volunteers to bake different breads (recipes provided) and bring fresh to our Sunday, October 2nd (Communion Sunday) Breads from Around the World 9 am educational hour (for adults & children).

Most of the recipes should be relatively easy; however, if you are up for a challenge, let us know and we'll see if we can put you to the test.

Let Pastor Kyle know ASAP if you are willing to make a bread, two, or even more. He will provide the instructions.



Back to School Supply Drive

The “Back to School Supply Drive” is this month for the elementary kids (Preschool-5th grade) here in Grant Park. I’m excited to announce that we have had wonderful support of this event with in kind and monetary donations. How exciting it is to serve our kids, parents, and teachers in the community!

On August 14th, we will organize all the supplies on tables for families to come pick up for free. We will need help distributing the items out on the tables and serving the families that come in to get them. If you are interested in helping out, please contact Jackie Timmons at (815) 466-4048 or text (567) 249-5141. Thank you!



The UCC outdoor ministries have several camps and retreat opportunities for children, youth, adults, and families. Check out their website at www.outdoorministries.org to learn more.

If you, or someone you know, is interested in attending a camp or retreat, please let the church know. The Christian Education Team has scholarships available to help offset the cost(s).

Wine and Canvas Night



Friday, November 11th – 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 19th at 6 pm.** Tickets are \$26 each. If you are interested in going, please stop by the church office to let Jackie know.