# <u>St. Peter's</u> <u>United Church of Christ</u>

**ORDER OF WORSHIP - August 8**<sup>th</sup>, 2021

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Summer Worship – 9:00 am Church Office – (815) 465-6191 *Website:* www.stpetersgp.org *Email:* stpetersgp@sbcglobal.net *Facebook:* St. Peters UCC Grant Park



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

#### **<u>Ringing</u>** of the Bell

Prelude

"He Leadeth Me" (Kirkland)

Shari Ohm

#### Welcome & Announcements

#### \*Call to Worship

Leader: People of God, grace and peace to you!

People: Though we have anxieties and worries, though our lives are full of busyness and stress, we accept God's grace and peace.

- Leader: Humbly clothe yourselves with Christ's righteousness. Enter into this sanctuary, among the Body of Christ, to prepare yourselves for service in Christ's Kingdom.
- **People:** We strive to prepare ourselves to be fit for Christ; physically healthy, spiritually ready, and mentally prepared for whatever He calls us to do.
- Leader: It is good for us to care for our whole selves. So, now, may you be in good health and may the Lord be with your spirit.
- People: And with your spirit as well. Amen.

#### \* Praver of Invocation

*Opening Worship	"On Eagles' Wings"	#438
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#### **Children's Moment**

#### **Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer**

**Special Music** 

Piano Medley Rebecca Timmons

Scripture Read	<b>ing</b> Psalm 19:7-14	
*Hymn of Resp	onse "Be Still, My Soul"	#451
<u>Sermon Scriptu</u>	IT I	
<u>Hymn</u>	"It is Well"	#428
<u>Sermon</u>	"How's Your Health?: Is Your Soul Well?	" Pastor Kyle
*Closing Hymn	"Blessed Assurance"	#426
*Benediction		
*Postlude	"March in G" (Kirland)	Shari Ohm



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

Gary Ekhoff Louise Sievers Austin Delaney Mildred Katz Minnie Pfingsten Gilbert Stadt Cheyenne Jones Gene Sievers Nancy Lewke Mason Beseke Pauline Mitchell Melissa Mort Dennis Balgemann Carter Fortin Linda Havely Rev. Frank Hoss Joy Currier Taylor Cleary Donna Dorrough Margaret Johnson stpetersgp@sbcglobal.net Church Website: www.stpetersgp.org Facebook: St. Peters UCC Grant Park Church Office Hours: Monday – Thursday: 8:00 AM - 11:00 AM Friday 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM

#### **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 Peg McCraw, Custodian Jessica Bornemann & Kole Stadt, Youth Advisors Neal Currier & Josh Hamann, Connect Leaders

**2021 CHURCH COUNCIL** 

Max Toppen, President Brian McKinstry, Vice President Heidi Frahm, Secretary Michelle Claussen, Treasurer Karen Ekhoff, Assistant Treasurer Rhiannon Currier, Larry Voigt, Carrie Langlois, & David Lehnert

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



## **Children & Youth News**

<u>Sunday School Rally Day</u> (September  $19^{th}$ ) – Join us on September  $19^{th}$  at 9 am as we kick off our new Sunday School year. Classes are available for Pre-School –  $5^{th}$  grade,  $6^{th}$ - $8^{th}$  grade,  $9^{th}$ - $12^{th}$  grade, and adults!

<u>**2021-2022 Confirmation Class**</u> – Attention parents of students entering 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade (or higher) who have not been confirmed or would like to learn more about the confirmation program. We will meet on September 19<sup>th</sup> following church to discuss the upcoming year. If you are unable to attend, please let the church office know.



St. Peter's is looking for someone (or more) to voluntarily lead our Fusion Youth Ministry as Kole Stadt and Jessica Bornemann have recently announced that they are stepping down.

Fusion is for students in grades 6-12. Leaders will be asked to plan and lead missions projects, organize

monthly gatherings and events, or have unique and fellowship style events for our youth. To learn more, please see Pastor Kyle.

## **Adult Christian Education Opportunities**

**Bad Characters in a Godly Person** – We will meet on Sunday mornings from 9 am – 10 am in the Clyde Lange Fellowship Hall. Coffee (and maybe treats) will be provided. All are welcome to join us at any time as we explore characteristic traits of a faithful Christian. Our first Sunday will be September 19<sup>th</sup>.



Thank you Michelle Claussen for making us this bulletin board.

**Man-to-Man Group** – <u>Faith</u>, <u>Fellowship</u>, <u>Food</u>, and maybe <u>Football</u>. ALL men are welcome to join us on Mondays at 7 pm beginning September 20<sup>th</sup>. We will discuss some books (don't worry, you don't have to buy/read the book if you don't want to) written by Retired LTG William G. Boykin, former Commander of the U.S. Army Special Forces. There will be great fellowship, plenty of food, and if you want to stay and watch football with us that evening, you may do so as well. Currently the plan is to meet in the church basement, but stay tuned for any changes just in case.

**Virtual Bible Study with Pastor Kyle** – Aren't able to join us for a weekly Bible Study, but would still like to receive additional spiritual nourishment? Sign-up for a virtual Bible Study by Pastor Kyle. Email <u>pastorkyletimmons@live.com</u> if you'd like to receive a weekly reading schedule, discussion questions, and other spiritual emails. These will begin in Mid-September.



Are you a handyperson? Or, simply willing to do a task or two around the church? We are in need of everyone's help to accomplish tasks, big and small, in and around the church grounds. A list will be on the bulletin board near the church office soon, or you can contact the church office for a list and description of things that need to be done.



## **Rummage Sale Committee**

There will be a rummage sale meeting August 15<sup>th</sup> after church. Please let Jackie Timmons know if you are unable to attend.

#### Scripture Reading: Psalm 19:7-14 (NIV)

<sup>7</sup> The law of the LORD is perfect, refreshing the soul. The statutes of the LORD are trustworthy, making wise the simple. <sup>8</sup> The precepts of the LORD are right, giving joy to the heart. The commands of the LORD are radiant. giving light to the eyes. <sup>9</sup> The fear of the LORD is pure, enduring forever. The decrees of the LORD are firm, and all of them are righteous. <sup>10</sup> They are more precious than gold, than much pure gold; they are sweeter than honey, than honey from the honeycomb. <sup>11</sup> By them your servant is warned; in keeping them there is great reward. <sup>12</sup> But who can discern their own errors? Forgive my hidden faults. <sup>13</sup> Keep your servant also from willful sins; may they not rule over me. Then I will be blameless, innocent of great transgression. <sup>14</sup> May these words of my mouth and this meditation of my heart be pleasing in Your sight, LORD, my Rock and my Redeemer.

#### Scripture Reading: I Thessalonians 5 (NIV)

**5** Now, brothers and sisters, about times and dates we do not need to write to you, <sup>2</sup> for you know very well that the Day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. <sup>3</sup> While people are saying, "Peace and safety," destruction will come on them suddenly, as labor pains on a pregnant woman, and they will not escape.

<sup>4</sup> But you, brothers and sisters, are not in darkness so that this Day should surprise you like a thief. <sup>5</sup> You are all children of the light and children of the day. We do not belong to the night or to the darkness. <sup>6</sup> So then, let us not be like others, who are asleep, but let us be awake and sober. <sup>7</sup> For those who sleep, sleep at night, and those who get drunk, get drunk at night. <sup>8</sup> But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, putting on faith and love as a breastplate, and the hope of salvation as a helmet. <sup>9</sup> For God did not appoint us to suffer wrath, but to receive salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>10</sup> He died for us so that, whether we are awake or asleep, we may live together with Him. <sup>11</sup> Therefore, encourage one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing.

<sup>12</sup> Now we ask you, brothers and sisters, to acknowledge those who work hard among you, who care for you in the Lord and who admonish you. <sup>13</sup> Hold them in the highest regard in love because of their work. Live in peace with each other. <sup>14</sup> And we urge you, brothers and sisters, warn those who are idle and disruptive, encourage the disheartened, help the weak, be patient with everyone. <sup>15</sup> Make sure that nobody pays back wrong for wrong, but always strive to do what is good for each other and for everyone else.

<sup>16</sup> Rejoice always, <sup>17</sup> pray continually, <sup>18</sup> give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.

<sup>19</sup> Do not quench the Spirit. <sup>20</sup> Do not treat prophecies with contempt, <sup>21</sup> but test them all; hold on to what is good, <sup>22</sup> reject every kind of evil.

<sup>23</sup> May God Himself, the God of peace, sanctify you through and through. May your whole spirit, soul, and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>24</sup> The one who calls you is faithful, and He will do it.

<sup>25</sup> Brothers and sisters, pray for us. <sup>26</sup> Greet all God's people with a holy kiss. <sup>27</sup> I charge you before the Lord to have this letter read to all the brothers and sisters.

<sup>28</sup> The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.