

ST. PETER'S UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

ORDER OF WORSHIP - July 25th, 2021



Summer Worship – 9:00 am
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God is still speaking

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Grant Park, Illinois 60940

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

Ringing of the Bell

Prelude “The Power of Your Love” (*Bullock*) Judy Schneider

Welcome & Announcements

*Call to Worship

Leader: Welcome this day to the house of our God.

People: **We are greeted in peace and in love.**

Leader: Welcome this day to the worship of our Creator.

People: **We worship in hope and with grace.**

Leader: Welcome this day to our community of faith.

People: **Where we are sisters and brothers in Christ.**

Leader: Friends, let us worship God.

*Unison Prayer of Invocation

Holy and magnificent God, in this hour of worship, praise, prayer, and spiritual growth, we ask for Your Spirit to guide us through each moment of this service. Change our hearts and clear our minds that we may see You in a new way and prepare our lives for service beyond this service and these walls. In the name of Jesus Christ our Savior, we pray. Amen.

*Opening Worship “Jesus Calls Us O’er the Tumult” #345

Scripture Reading Psalm 95

Pastoral Prayer & Lord’s Prayer

*Song “My Hope is Built on Nothing Less” #405

Scripture Reading

I Timothy 4:1-16

Sermon

“How’s Your Health: Spiritually Prepped”

Pastor Neal

***Closing Hymn**

“I Am Thine, O Lord”

#408

***Responsive Benediction**

Leader: Now, share with me in today’s benediction: May the Lord bless you and keep you.

People: **May His face shine brightly upon each of us that His light might be evident to all.**

Leader: May the Lord be gracious to you.

People: **With that same grace, may we love our neighbors as ourselves.**

Leader: May the Lord turn His face upon you.

People: **His love is evident to us; may we all find peace in our spiritual journey with Him.**

All: Amen.

***Postlude**

“Lord, Dismiss Us With Your Blessing”

Judy Schneider

(Sicilian Melody)

We at St. Peter’s are praying for:

Gary Ekhoﬀ

Gene Sievers

Carter Fortin

Louise Sievers

Nancy Lewke

Linda Havelly

Austin Delaney

Mason Beseke

Rev. Frank Hoss

Mildred Katz

Pauline Mitchell

Joy Currier

Minnie Pﬂingsten

Melissa Mort

Taylor Cleary

Gilbert Stadt

Dennis Balmemann

Donna Dorrough

Cheyenne Jones

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Church Office Hours: Tuesday – Friday: 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM

STAFF

Rev Kyle Timmons, Pastor

Jacquelyn Timmons, Office Administrator

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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

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

Children & Youth Ministry



Children & Youth News

Fusion (6th-12th grade) Escape Room Trip

(Monday, August 2nd) – Bring a friend or come alone. We’re going to Cedar Lake to the “Locked In at the Lake” Escape Room. Departure time will be around 5 pm – should return by 9:30 pm. Cost is \$25/person (however, we’ll cover your cost if you can’t afford it – just let Pastor Kyle know if you need assistance).



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

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

NEW HOURS

Beginning August 2nd, St. Peter's UCC will have new office hours for the Office Manager.

Monday – Thursdays (8-11 am)
Fridays (9-12 am)



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.



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.

Psalm 95 (NIV)

- ¹ Come, let us sing for joy to the LORD;
let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation.
- ² Let us come before Him with thanksgiving
and extol Him with music and song.
- ³ For the LORD is the great God,
the great King above all gods.
- ⁴ In His hand are the depths of the earth,
and the mountain peaks belong to Him.
- ⁵ The sea is His, for He made it,
and His hands formed the dry land.
- ⁶ Come, let us bow down in worship,
let us kneel before the LORD our Maker;
- ⁷ for He is our God
and we are the people of His pasture,
the flock under His care.
Today, if only you would hear His voice,
- ⁸ "Do not harden your hearts as you did at Meribah,^[a]
as you did that day at Massah^[b] in the wilderness,
- ⁹ where your ancestors tested Me;
they tried Me, though they had seen what I did.
- ¹⁰ For forty years I was angry with that generation;
I said, 'They are a people whose hearts go astray,
and they have not known My ways.'
- ¹¹ So I declared on oath in My anger,
'They shall never enter My rest.'"

I Timothy 4:1-16 (NIV)

4 The Spirit clearly says that in later times some will abandon the faith and follow deceiving spirits and things taught by demons. **2** Such teachings come through hypocritical liars, whose consciences have been seared as with a hot iron. **3** They forbid people to marry and order them to abstain from certain foods, which God created to be received with thanksgiving by those who believe and who know the truth. **4** For everything God created is good, and nothing is to be rejected if it is received with thanksgiving, **5** because it is consecrated by the word of God and prayer.

6 If you point these things out to the brothers and sisters,^[a] you will be a good minister of Christ Jesus, nourished on the truths of the faith and of the good teaching that you have followed. **7** Have nothing to do with godless myths and old wives' tales; rather, train yourself to be godly. **8** For physical training is of some value, but godliness has value for all things, holding promise for both the present life and the life to come. **9** This is a trustworthy saying that deserves full acceptance. **10** That is why we labor and strive, because we have put our hope in the living God, who is the Savior of all people, and especially of those who believe.

11 Command and teach these things. **12** Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith, and in purity. **13** Until I come, devote yourself to the public reading of Scripture, to preaching, and to teaching. **14** Do not neglect your gift, which was given you through prophecy when the body of elders laid their hands on you.

15 Be diligent in these matters; give yourself wholly to them, so that everyone may see your progress. **16** Watch your life and doctrine closely. Persevere in them, because if you do, you will save both yourself and your hearers.