

# ST. PETER'S United Church of Christ

310 North Meadow Street, Grant Park, IL 60940

Sunday Morning Worship – 9:30 a.m.

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# Sunday, September 7, 2025

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

### **Welcome & Announcements**

**Audrey Lehnert** 

**Ringing of the Bell** 

<u>Prelude</u> "Forward Through the Ages"

Leatherman

### \*Call to Worship

**Audrey Lehnert** 

One: We gather to worship our God who crafted the whole of creation, yet who can be neither contained by its expanse nor fully described by its beauty and majesty.

Many: We gather to worship our God who gave birth to our entire human family, who brought us into being as bearers of the divine image.

One: We gather to worship our God, who stirs us with the breath of Spirit and inspires us with the call to serve in Christ's name.

Many: We gather this day as God's people, brothers and sisters to one another, proclaimers of the good news in every time and place.

## \*Prayer of Invocation (In Unison)

Gracious God, you have given vitality to our church by letting your Spirit flow through its words, work, and worship. You have made us a holy household, a family of faith. You have called us to be active as the body of Christ in the world. Keep us fit as a body of persons in service to others. Keep us healthy as a body of persons striving toward holy living. Keep us strong as a body of persons desiring to develop in faith. Help us, we pray, truly to be your church. In Christ's name we pray. Amen

\*Opening Hymn "Come Thou Almighty King"

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**Scripture** 

Psalm 139:1-6

**Audrey Lehnert** 

### **Children's Message**

### **Pastoral Prayer**

Joys & Concerns

Lord's Prayer

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.

\*Hymn

"Seek Ye First"

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# **Worshipping God with our Offerings**

Offertory "Lento Religioso" Nevin
\*Doxology Page 34

O God, we often affirm our love for others by presentations of gifts and by vows of commitment. Receive these offerings as sincere affirmations of our love for you. In Christ's name we pray. Amen

**Scripture Reading** Luke 14:25-33

<u>Sermon</u> Rev. Zimmerman

### **Sacrament of Holy Communion**

Invitation, Words of Institution Consecration of and Sharing the Elements

<sup>\*</sup>Offertory Prayer (In Unison)

\*Closing Hymn "Stand Up and Bless the Lord" Page 11

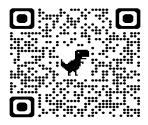
\*Benediction

\*Postlude "My Life is in You, Lord" Gardner

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

Dorothy Kutemeier, Ken & Sandy Erickson, Judy Schneider, Ed & Anita Bush, Dornita Hamann, Betty Jones, Brad Fisher, Tim Langlois (Marcia's son), Kristopher Meyer (Krystal Frahm's brother), Jeff Jones (Betty's son), Russ Koehn, Del & Jone Engleking, and Tim Miller (Norma Lehnert's brother).

**LOOKING FOR TODAY'S SCRIPTURE:** Scan the barcode with your phone to access today's Scripture readings.



**LITURGIST/SMALL GROUP SIGN-UP:** Wednesday is the last day for small group meetings, its not to late to sign up. Please fill up that liturgist sign up sheet! ©

**90<sup>th</sup> BIRTHDAY:** Tonita (Toni) Reifsteck is turning 90 on September 11<sup>th</sup>. The family would love for her to be showered with cards from the people who remember her here in Grant Park. She is still living in her own home and as her daughter Elaine stated "Mom is as stubborn and self sufficient as always!" Her address is: Tonita Reifsteck, 110 Lincolnwood, Lincoln IL 62656.

RALLY DAY: Rally Day is next Sunday! (See Insert) Christian Ed would like to invite everyone to a potluck meal after church...bring a dish to share!

### THIS WEEK AT ST. PETER'S:

Office Open – Monday and Friday (8:00am-12:00pm) Monday – 4-H Meeting

Wednesday – Dart @ Home, 7:30pm Friday – Girl Scouts 4:30-6:00pm

### **SERVING YOU TODAY:**

Guest Speaker – Rev. Doug Zimmerman

Crganist – Shari Ohm

Liturgist – Audrey Lehnert

Greeters/Ushers – Chris and Michelle Claussen