

March 20-21, 2010

WELCOME

Welcome to St. Peter's United Church of Christ. If you have no church home, we hope you will consider St. Peter's UCC as that place. Whether guest or member, please make your presence known by signing the Friendship Register in the pews and greet those near you.

Our prayer chapel is open following this service and daily from 9-4 for personal meditation and communion. It is located off the second floor elevator. Sunday school for children ages 4 to Grade 6 begins after the Children's moment. A class for youth grades 7-12 begins at 10:00 underneath the sanctuary. Adult Sunday school is 9 AM on Sundays. Child care is offered during the 10 AM service.

This week at St. Peter's:

Sunday	9:00	Adult Bible study (lectionary-based)
	9:20	Coffee hour in auditorium
	10:00	Worship & Sunday school
	11:00	Congregational Meeting
		Coffee hour in auditorium
		Confirmation (mentors present; confirmands to attend congregational meeting first)
Monday	6:00	AA
	6:30	Quilting
Tuesday	10:30	Staff Meeting
Wednesday	9:00	Quilting
	12:00	"Great Decisions" study on Egypt – atrium meeting room
	5:15	Weds.@St. Pete's Soup Dinner
	6:00	Lenten Vespers
	6:00	AA
	6:00	Chapel Bells
	6:15	Small Groups begin
	6:45	Vesper Bells
	7:30	Chancel Choir
Thursday	6:30	Scout Pack Meeting - auditorium
	6:00	AA
	7:00	Mental Illness Support Group
Saturday	10-1	Census Bureau training – dining room
	5:00	Worship
Sunday		PALM SUNDAY
	9:00	Adult Bible study (lectionary-based)
	9:20	Coffee hour in auditorium
	10:00	Worship & Sunday school
	11:00	Coffee hour in auditorium

Plan now to attend Holy Week and Easter Services and Activities

Palm Sunday Services, March 27-28, Sat. 5 PM, Sun. 10 AM

Maundy Thursday Seder Supper Service (in dining room), April 1, 6:30 PM

Good Friday Vespers Service, April 2, 7 PM

Easter Services, April 3, Sat. 5 PM, Sun. April 4, 8 & 10 AM

Easter Breakfast in dining room, April 4, 8:30-9:45 AM

The **Social Concerns Committee is collecting bars of soap** for the Washington Overseas Mission trip to Honduras. They will collect until April 4. Please place items in the box located near the church office.

The **Women's Fellowship is collecting empty prescription bottles for Haiti**. Please remove labels. Empty Tylenol, aspirin, Advil, etc. bottles will also be accepted. The collection box will be above the coat rack in hallway by the office until April 4.

Anyone who wishes to honor a loved one or anniversary by donating **altar flowers or worship bulletins** for any given week, the schedule for 2010 is posted on the Market Street hall bulletin board beside the doors leading outside or you may contact the church office. Thank you for your generous contribution to our services.

Adult Class Enters Jerusalem Our Sunday morning adult class invites you, member or visitor, to join us in Jerusalem on March 28. We will travel with Jesus through discussion of Luke 19:28-40. We will join in a parade, which will prepare us for the last week of Jesus' life. Will this parade be the triumphal entry of a celebrity or will it spell the tragedy of powerless love? Where will we be in this parade? Will we go with joyful steps or will we back peddle and try to get lost in the crowds? Jesus faced a choice when he entered Jerusalem. We also face the joy and cost of discipleship as his followers. Our sharing together will help us take the journey to our Jerusalem. The leader for the class will be our student minister, Debbie Douglas. We meet in the atrium just below the sanctuary from 9 to 9:45 AM. Wherever you are on your journey of life, you are welcome to join us for open discussion and prayer.

The **Annual Spring Gathering of the Eastern Association of the Missouri Mid-South Conference** will be held April 25 at 2 PM at St. Paul UCC, Hermann. Registration information is available in the office. Congregational representatives needed.

Cub Scout Pack 811 will sponsor an **American Red Cross Blood Drive** at St. Peter's Church Mon., March 29 from 3-7 PM in the auditorium. There will be signs posted. You are asked to bring photo I.D. For anyone wanting to make an appointment to eliminate wait time contact Tanya Kleekamp at 636-221-1814 or cubscoutmom811@yahoo.com.

The **Census Bureau** will be testing here at the church on Saturdays in March at 10 AM and has openings for the following positions in Franklin County: 1) Census Takers, 2) Crew Leaders & Assistants, 3) Recruiting Assistants. You must be 18 years of age. (Veterans given preference). **PLEASE CALL: 866-861-2010 – OR – 573-818-3330**

Passion Play – New Melle, March 21, 27, 28

Sausage Dinner – Friedens Peace UCC, New Melle, March 21, noon-6 PM

Men's Float Trip & Golf Outing, April 16–18, Shannondale Community Center, \$70 per person. Financial grants available. Contact Pastor Paul for registration.

Cystic Fibrosis Foundation Trivia Night – St. Vincent de Paul Parish Hall, Dutzow, April 17. Contact: daytime Rachel 270-816-5381, evenings Mary 636-433-5408.

Emmas Homes Walk Run 'n Roll for People of All Abilities. April 24

Women's Retreat April 30-May 2, Camp Mo-Val (limited to 120 women)

For more information on these and other events, remember to check the Market Street bulletin board every week.

Presentation on Stretching and Strength Training: Kathy Bitser, a physical therapist, will offer a session on stretching and strength training at 2 PM Mon., March 22, at St. John's

Mercy Hospital in Washington. The public is invited to attend the free event, which is sponsored by the Diabetes Support Group. For more information, call 636-239-8248.

EASTER MEMORIALS If you wish to place an Easter memorial please complete this form & return it to the church office by March 29.

I would like to make a contribution to: Memorial Fund \$ _____ Atrium Fund \$ _____

In memory of (name or names) _____

Given by (names) _____

Phone _____ or email _____

HAVE WE HEARD FROM YOU? **St. Peter’s Messenger is “Going Green”!** We will “Think Green” beginning with the April issue being the first comprehensive effort. You can now receive notice and view the newsletter each month on the web. If you desire or need the newsletter mailed to you as it currently is, we will be happy to continue to do so, **but you must let us know**. Please return the form below directing us to continue mailing your copy. **If we do not hear from you, then we will assume you are presently reading it online, or not reading *The Messenger* at all.** Hard copies of the newsletter will be available for pickup during services. All shut-ins and nursing home residents will continue to have their newsletter mailed. Please complete the form below and return it to the office or drop it in the offering plate.

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