

May 1-2, 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	Coffee hour in auditorium
	11:15	Confirmation
Monday	9:00	Retired Men's Group - Cowan's Restaurant
	6:00	AA
	6:30	Quilting
Tuesday	10:30	Staff Meeting
	7:00	Social Concerns Committee - amr
	7:00	Board of Christian Education
	7:00	Cemetery Board
	7:00	Eastern Association Council
Wednesday	9:00	Quilting
	10:00	Prayer Network
	12:00	Bible Study on Acts continues – Acts 9:1-31, the conversion of Saul.
		New participants welcome! - amr
	6:00	AA
	6:30-8:00	Scout committee meeting - amr
	6:40	Chapel Bells
	7:30	Chancel Choir
Thursday	12:00	National Day of Prayer at Riverfront
	6:00	AA
Saturday	11:00	Ladies Luncheon - auditorium
	5:00	Worship
Sunday	9:00	Adult Bible study (lectionary-based)
	9:20	Coffee hour in auditorium
	10:00	Worship (Family Sunday)
	11:00	Coffee hour in auditorium

National Day of Prayer will be held May 6 at Noon, Washington Rennick Riverfront Park. Pastor Paul is participating. All are invited.

The **Ladies' Spring Luncheon** will be held Sat., May 8, at 12:00 noon in the auditorium. Twenty tables have been completely filled for this event. Proceeds for the event will benefit the Atrium Fund.

The **Women's Fellowship is collecting empty prescription bottles for Haiti**. Please remove labels. Empty Tylenol, aspirin, Advil, etc. bottles will also be accepted. They are also **collecting postage stamps**. Please tear off the part of the envelope with the stamp and they will do the trimming. Collection boxes for both items are located on the coat rack outside the church office. Business owners are encouraged to save stamps, too.

Mark your calendars for May 16th. This is Pentecost Sunday, and Donna Houchins will once again have a kite flying exhibit in the auditorium after the children's message. It's really something to see! Additionally, this Sunday will also be "Teacher Appreciation Sunday", where the Sunday School Teachers will be recognized for all their hard work. The teachers will be recognized at the beginning of the church service, and then the students and teachers will proceed to the auditorium for the kite flying exhibit, and then a cookies and punch reception will be held in the atrium following the church service.

It's time to sign up for summer camp! Children, youth and the young at heart of all ages are encouraged to take a week and go to church camp this summer! Registration materials and instructions on how to sign up are available on the youth bulletin board in the Market Street Hallway (follow the orange camp signs). Questions about camp? Pastor Leah has spent many summers at Camp Mo-Val and would be more than happy to answer your questions. To meet early camp registration deadlines, all registrations and money should be turned in to St. Peter's Church Office by Wed., May 12. St. Peter's believes in, supports and benefits from the Christian education and faith formation that takes place at Camp Mo-Val. Every participant will have half of their registration costs covered for one week of conference-sponsored church camp. We hope to see you at camp!

Welcome to Marvin & Norella Keller who united in membership this Sunday. Both grew up in Hermann and were baptized in Stolpe, Missouri. They soon will celebrate their 55th wedding anniversary on May 14. They have two children, Lesa Buttry and David Keller. Both enjoy gardening, reading and walking. They recently moved to Washington to retire. Welcome!

Book Signing! *Timothy Tree Frog*, a children's book written by a member of St. Peter's, Audrey Nourse, will be available for purchase for \$15 after worship on May 16 in the atrium. Audrey will be present to sign your book. *Timothy Tree Frog* is the story of a tadpole who wishes with all his heart to become a tree frog. What happens next is a charming and accurate account of transformation, love, and the continuing cycle of life begetting new life. Preschool and younger elementary children will love the story, the songs, and the surprise ending. You are invited to stop at the book signing table to get your book signed!

Senior Health Fair: East Central College, May 14, 9-1, including free vision screening, hearing tests and special glaucoma testing sponsored by Washington Lions Club

Quilt Show: sponsored by Eastern Association, May 15, at St. John's UCC, Cappeln

Spring Festival/Chicken Dinner—Ebenezer UCC, Augusta, May 16, 11:30-5:30 PM

Grief Support Group sponsored by Heartland Hospice & Homestead at Hickory View, May 17-June 28, every Monday for 6 weeks (excluding May 31,) 1:30-3:30 PM at Homestead. Contact Heartland Hospice 390-4723. Seating is limited.

Alzheimer's Association Support Group: For caregivers and people with early memory loss at Homestead at Hickory View, Third Thursday of every month at 6 PM.

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

Members and guests. Copies of the May edition of the "St. Peter's Messenger" newsletter are located in the atrium and south entranceway, or visit www.stpeters-washington.org to view it online.

Curious about the lectionary? Pastor Paul made reference to the New Revised Common Lectionary. It is a great tool to help your personal Bible study by providing a series of four bible readings, each week—a Gospel, OT, NT and Psalm. To download a copy of the lectionary and to receive daily and weekly devotionals from it, go to UCC.org. The pastors regularly preach on one or more of the lectionary passages.

Offering Envelope Notice: To help insure proper credit is given for donations, please put your offering envelope number on each donation (including special offering envelopes). Thank you.

I am **collecting old cell phones** (can be broken) for my Girl Scout Bronze Award project. I will take the cell phones to the St. Louis Zoo to be properly recycled. All money raised will go to animal conservation/habitat renovation efforts all over the world. I have set up a display outside the office with more information and a collection box. Please help clean up the environment for animals AND for you and me. Thank you. Grace Koch

Like to Knit? Like to Crochet? Emmaus Homes Needs You! Emmaus Homes is starting a Prayer Shawl Ministry and is seeking individuals who enjoy knitting or crocheting to make prayer shawls. The shawls will be given to Emmaus residents, family members, or employees who may be going through a difficult time in their lives. If you or someone you know may be interested in making a shawl, contact Chris Adams, Director of Annual Giving at 636-534-5218 or email adamsc@emmaushomes.org.