

May 15-16, 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. Adult Sunday school is at 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 - atrium
	10:00	Worship
	10:15	Children's Pentecost Kite Flying - auditorium
	11:00	Coffee hour - atrium
	11:00	Audrey Nourse book signing - atrium
	11:15	Confirmation
	6:30-8:00	Youth Group (grades 7-12)
Monday	6:00	AA
	6:30	Quilting
Tuesday	10:30	Staff Meeting
	1:30	Stewardship Board
	2:30	Cedar Crest Worship Service
	6:00	Pastoral Relations Committee
	7:00	Church Council
Wednesday	9:00	Quilting
	Noon	Bible Study on Acts 12:1-24
	6:00	AA
	7:30	Chancel Choir
Thursday	10:30	Grandview Healthcare Center Worship Service
	6:00	AA
Friday	9:00	Newsletter articles due in the church office or to Laura Placht at lplacht@fidnet.com
Saturday	5:00	Worship
Sunday	9:00	Adult Bible study (lectionary-based)
	9:20	Coffee hour - auditorium
	10:00	Worship & Sunday school – Rite of Confirmation
	11:00	Reception for Confirmands – auditorium

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!

Pentecost is next Sunday! On Sunday, May 23, in addition to Confirmation, we will be celebrating Pentecost which is the "birthday" of the Christian Church, universal. We would encourage everyone to wear red that day which is symbolic of the Holy Spirit's tongues of fire in Acts 2:1-3 (a great symbol for our youth joining the church that day as well)!

St. Peter's UCC - a Spiritually Engaged Congregation The church council is hosting a special workshop on what it means to be Spiritually Engaged in your personal life of faith and how this shapes your church. Please plan on coming to learn more Wed., May 26 at 7 PM.

Jonathan Jones is a member of St. John's UCC in Chesterfield, coordinator of the Missouri Mid-South Conference men's retreat and a professional corporate consultant. He has done extensive research, particularly with the Gallup Faith Research organization and is eager to help churches affect change for spiritual growth. He will be leading the workshop.

This seminar is especially for church council, board and committee members but is provided also to all St. Peter's folks who want to grow spiritually in our fellowship. To RSVP and for more information, contact Pastor Paul or the church office.

St. Peter's is lending our support to a congregation experiencing loss. Grace UCC in O'Fallon, MO is mourning the death of their minister, the Rev. Jim Caughlan. To lend our support and solidarity as they prepare for calling a transitional ministry specialist, we are lending our ministers to fill their pulpit twice this month. Rev. Bilinski is preaching there at both of their services today (Sunday) and Dr. Koch will be with them on May 30.

St. Peter's Church once again will be sponsoring a **breakfast at Miller's Grill**. Tickets for the June 12, 8-10 AM, event are \$5 in advance (from Cecil Blankenship, Phil Butler, Kaye Nurnberger, Tom Hogan, Joyce Sanfilippo or the church office) or \$6 at the door. The menu includes French toast, scrambled eggs, bacon, coffee, milk and juice. Proceeds will benefit the atrium fund. If you'd like to help, please contact Kaye Nurnberger.

The **Social Concerns Committee is collecting items to make health kits** which will be sent to Haiti. Please deposit the following items in the box marked "Health Kits for Haiti" located outside the church office on or before May 30:

1 hand towel, 1 wide tooth comb, 1 nail clipper,
1 bar soap, 1 wash cloth, 6 band-aids, 1 toothbrush

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.

Diabetes Support Group at St. John's Hospital: Linda Hussey, registered nurse and Certified Diabetes Educator will offer a presentation on Skin Care at the next Diabetes Support Group meeting at 7 PM, Mon., May 24. For more information: (636) 239-8248.

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.

Spring Picnic/Quilt Auction: St. John's UCC, Bem, May 29, 4-9 PM

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

Members and guests. If you haven't done so already, please pick up and read the May edition of the "St. Peter's Messenger" newsletter. Copies are located in the atrium and south entranceway, or visit www.stpeters-washington.org to view it online.

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.

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.

The **Women's Fellowship is collecting postage stamps**. Please tear off the part of the envelope with the stamp and they will do the trimming. A collection box is located on the coat rack outside the church office. Business owners are encouraged to save stamps, too.

Don't forget...The **MPS Clothing Drop Box** is on the parking lot. Please recycle items that others can use. Please bag items (a 13 gallon kitchen trash bag works well). Put in any reusable, non-breakable items such as clothing, shoes, books, linens, plastic plates and bowls, etc. The company that collects pays a small amount per pound and that money is donated to worthwhile causes through the Social Concerns Committee.

The Congregation of St. Peter's

announces the

Sacred Rite of Confirmation

for the Class of 2010

Pentecost Sunday

May 23 10 AM

All are cordially invited