

September 19-20, 2009

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. Child care is offered during the 10 AM service.**

This week at St. Peter's:

Sunday	10:00	Worship & Fall Sunday school begins (after children's moment)
	11:15	Confirmation Begins - auditorium
	6:30-8:00	Youth Group (Grades 7-12)
Monday	9:00	Newsletter articles due in the church office or to Laura Placht via email <a href="mailto:lplacht@fidnet.com">lplacht@fidnet.com</a>
	6:00	AA
	6:30	Quilting
	7:00	Civic Chorus Rehearsal
Tuesday	11:00	Bipolar Support Group
	7:30	Al Anon
Wednesday	9:00	Quilting
	6:00	Chapel Bell Choir
	6:00	AA & Al Anon
	6:45	Vesper Bell Choir
	7:30	Chancel Choir
Thursday	6:00	AA
Friday	4-7	KC Fish Fry to benefit Emmaus Homes
Saturday	5:00	Worship
Sunday	10:00	Worship & Sunday school
	11:15	Confirmands depart for Eastern Association meeting

**Registration for Weds.@St. Pete's:** 50 adults, youth and children are signed up to date! Come join them. Choose from exciting groups such as What Matters to You? Matters to Us (a great group for new members or others wishing to know more about our UCC faith traditions), Leaving Church, Great Decisions and The Long Snapper, plus groups for age 4-grade 3, grades 4-6, grades 7-12 and child care. All church programs held on weeks small groups do not meet include author David Rice on The Year of Jubilee, a special Veterans Day salute and historical program, and a UCC history program led by Rev. Dr. Bill Schwab. Volunteers are needed to help with the meals. See sign up sheet at the information table. The next book order will be placed Oct. 1.

**EXPERIENCE PRAYER IN A WHOLE NEW WAY!** Our St. Peter's youth group has set up five multi-sensory prayer stations that can be found starting outside the auditorium (near the elevator) and in the auditorium (directions at each station guide you through the rest). Reflections are provided at each station. The prayer stations will be available to you through the month of September, both on the weekends and during weekday office hours.

**FALL SUNDAY SCHOOL** for children and youth begins this weekend: Sept. 20 at the 10 o'clock service with classes for preschool through sixth grade (grades 7-12 will begin next Sunday). Children are encouraged to attend the beginning of worship with their parents, join in the children's message and then go to their Sunday school classes. The

second Sunday of each month will continue to be Family Sunday where children and youth remain in service with their families.

The **Knights of Columbus Fish Fry** to benefit the **Emmaus Home** will be held Fri., Sept. 25<sup>th</sup> at the Washington KC Hall. As we have done for many years bakers of St. Peter's are asked to provide desserts, especially PIES! You may drop off your pies in the afternoon at the KC Hall or take them with you when you go to enjoy the fish fry. **Please sign the friendship register "Pies" and the number you will make so we can let Emmaus know how many pies we will be providing.**

The quilters invite everyone to **view the quilts on display in the atrium:** those on upper level are for the Emmaus Bazaar; those on the lower level are for the Festival of Sharing.

**Shall We Gather at The River? The worship service for World Communion Sunday Oct. 4 will be held in the Ronsick Pavilion at the downtown Riverfront Park.** Join us for a fun celebration! After the service, stick around for a grill-out and potluck picnic. There will be a bouncy house for the kids, games, and fun for everyone. The adjacent parking lot next to the old water works will be reserved for handicap parking and drop-offs for people who need them. If you need to worship indoors, the regular Saturday service will be held as usual in the sanctuary at 5:00. In case of inclement weather, Sunday worship will be held in the dining room. Thanks to the church council for sponsoring and planning for this fun day of worship and fellowship. **Volunteers are need for certain preparations. See Rhonda Stocklausner or the signup form in the atrium.**

**Emmaus Bazaar** is Oct. 11, Emmaus Homes, West (Marthasville). We need at least **50 volunteers** to work in the dining room: 1st shift—11:00-2:00; 2nd shift—2:00-5:00. Please sign the friendship register with your name and the shift you will work or call Sherry Limbert. The confirmation class has volunteered to work the second shift. We need at least **100 pies**. Please have pies in the church kitchen by 9:45 Oct. 11 so volunteers can deliver them to the bazaar. Please sign the friendship register with your name and the number of pies you plan to bring. On Oct. 1 there will be recycled pie pans in the kitchen for anyone who would like to use them.

**Noon hour Bible studies resume Sept. 30** (Wednesdays, from noon-12:45) with a brand new series and approach. Published by the UCC, nine different voices interpreting nine different biblical passages urgently say one thing: we serve a living, loving God who is still speaking, who is not finished creating yet, who has more truth and light to break forth, and who is calling you and me to respond this day - right now! Each participant will receive a colorful devotional guide and study booklet. Dr. Koch and Rev. Bilinski will be leading various sessions. Spend your lunch hour with us and invite your friends! Please see the September newsletter for more information

**New/prospective/revitalized member classes are forming soon.** You have your choice of Wednesday evenings ("What Matters to You Matters to Us") or Sunday after church. Please contact Pastor Paul if interested.

The **St. Peter's Family of Trees** will be a part of our Christmas celebration. Reserve your tree now! Look in the atrium or stop by the office to pick up a green form.

Anyone interested in seeing many of the **quilts** to be auctioned at **the Festival of Sharing** is invited to go to College United Methodist Church, Warrenton, Sept. 24, 11-2.

We will carpool from the church parking lot, leaving at 10:15. Everyone is invited to go. You do not need to be a quilter.

**St. Peter's Church** will be sponsoring a breakfast at Miller's Grill, Oct. 10, 8-10 AM. Tickets are \$5 in advance (from Cecil Blankenship, Pat Hartzell 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.

Friedens UCC, Warrenton, Annual Church Picnic/Dinner, Sept. 20, 10:30-4:00.

St. Paul's UCC, Marthasville, Chicken Dinner, Sept. 20, 12-5

Frisella Nursery, Defiance, Emmaus & Our Lady's Inn Benefit, Sept. 26, 10 AM-4 PM

St. Paul's UCC, Defiance, Sausage Dinner, Sept. 27, 11 AM-5:30 PM

St. John's UCC, Owensville, German Dinner, Oct. 3, 4-7

Immanuels UCC, Holstein, Chicken Dinner, Oct. 4, 12-6

Friedens Peace UCC, New Melle, Pork Sausage Dinner, Oct. 4, 12-6

Emmaus Bazaar, Marthasville, Oct. 11, 12-5

Ebenezer UCC, Augusta, Chili & Beef Dinner, Oct. 18, 11 AM-6 PM

**SAVE THE DATE: Plowsharing Craft Sale, November 14 & 15.**