

THE KEYS

**ST. PETER'S UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
GRANT PARK, IL**



February 2017

815-485-6191

St. Peter's

**UNITED CHURCH
OF CHRIST**

God is still speaking.

310 N. Meadow St.
Grant Park, Illinois 60940

2017 COUNCIL MEMBERS

Sandy Erickson, President
Evelyn Bond Vice President
Vicki Gawlinski, Secretary
Kaleb Frahm, Treasurer,
Susan Williamson, Assistant Treasurer
Karen Brunello, **Jim Hamann**,
Ron Hamann & Bruce Heldt



2017 COMMITTEE/BOARD REPRESENTATIVES

Board of Christian Education: Susan Williamson
Budget Committee: Kaleb Frahm
Cemetery Committee: Jim Hamann
Church Life Committee: Bruce Heldt
Endowment Committee: Evelyn Bond
Memorial Committee: Sandy Erickson
Missions Committee: Ron Hamann
Property and Maintenance Committee: Kaleb Frahm
Shepherding Committee: Vickie Gawlinski
Worship Committee: Karen Brunello

**INSTALLATION OF CHURCH OFFICERS, COUNCIL,
COMMITTEE,
AND BOARD MEMBERS**

During worship on Sunday, Feb 12th, we will have the installation of Church Officers and members of the Church Council, Committees, and Boards of the church. If you are an officer or a Council, Committee, or Board member, you are invited to participate in the installation service.



YOU'RE INVITED FOR COFFEE BEFORE WORSHIP!

Don't forget the coffee bar in the Sunday school entrance area each Sunday morning from 9:00 am – 10:15 am.
You're invited to have a cup of coffee before worship.
Proceeds support Board of Christian Education programs.



GRANT PARK SENIORS MEETING

The Grant Park Seniors will meet on **Monday, Feb 20th from 12:00 – 3:00 PM** at the Community Center, Dixie Highway in Grant Park.



FARMERS AND FRIENDS

Farmers and Friends, a support group for men whose spouses have died, will meet at the USA Restaurant in Grant Park at **12:30 pm on Wednesday, February 15^h**.



DART BALL

Grant Park finished the season with a record of 65 wins and 43 losses to lead the Eastern Association Dartball League. Matteson finished with 51 wins and 57 losses; Peotone had 51 wins and 58 losses; and Manhattan had 50 wins and 59 losses. We begin playoffs on February 1; Grant Park will play Manhattan and Peotone will play Matteson. Team members for St Peter's UCC are: Randy Pettet, Ken Heldt, Dale Lietz, Daren Lehnert, Jeff Hamann, Mike Reaman, Steve Keys, Roger Sturm, Kaleb Frahm, Gary Dahm, Calvin Pettet, Brad Coates, Dean Lohrbach and Ed Bush.



CHRISTMAS CARD MAIL BOX

Thanks to everyone who supported the Christmas Card Mail Box! A total of **\$59.05** was donated, which will support our Confirmation program. 10 cards were mailed to families that didn't pick them up.

CONCERNS

The family and friends of Bill Weybright who passed away on December 26, 2016.

The family and friends of Donna Whorrall who passed away on January 13, 2017.

JOYS

The 101st birthday of Mildred Katz.

PRAYER CONCERNS

We encourage you to keep the following people in your thoughts and prayers:

Cynthia Gerdez – (friend of Margret Chesterfield) – cancer,

Nancy Adas (mother of Marge Myers) – Alzheimer’s,

Christopher Paez (husband of Jamie Bakhaus Paez)

Leukemia,

Peggy Heusing – prayers for healing,

Gary Ekhoﬀ - prayers for healing following surgery,

Gene Sievers – prayers for healing from injuries following an accident

Dean Schneider - prayers for healing during treatment,

Jeff Schneider – confronting ALS,

Ron Rundquist - heart issues

Nancy Lewke – prayers for healing,

Mabel Phebus – prayers for healing from injury following a fall,

and all of God’s children seeking comfort, peace, and love.



FEBRUARY MISSION GIVING

Our Churches Wider Mission (OCWM) or Basic Support –

Our contributions, sent to the Illinois Conference office, support God’s mission in Illinois, nationally, and globally. 71% of our contribution stays in Illinois to carry out the mission of the Illinois Conference. 29% of our contribution goes to the national setting of the UCC to support ministry that reaches from our church to people in need throughout the world.

Chicago United Eden; CUE Seminaries of the United Church of Christ

The mission of the seminaries includes preparing new leadership for our churches, nurturing and supporting current leaders, and maintaining and adding to the tradition of theological scholarship in the UCC

SHEPHERDING COMMITTEE SIGN-UPS

There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the Sunday School entrance for those interested in being on the Shepherding Committee. Please contact Beverly Junker with any questions, 815-465-6347. Thank you!

RED HAT

Our Mission Committee is currently in the process of organizing a new project. On February 23rd we will be having a "Red Hat" craft day with the women veterans at the Manteno Veterans' Home. If interested, you can help by donating a red hat, flowers, feathers, ribbon, etc.or you are also welcome to join us in the decorating process! We will be meeting at 3:00 p.m. on Thursday, February 23rd at the volunteer office of the Veterans' Home.



FOOD PANTRY

The **Food Pantry** is the 2nd Saturday of the month in Beecher at St. Lukes U.C.C. from 9:00-11:00 am. Donations may be placed in the basket in the Sunday School entry.

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAY LIST

These birthdays are compiled from church membership records. Please call to our attention any omissions or corrections

Tom Wieghaus	1	Jill Claussen	16
Kristine Koehn	2	Sarah Senesac	16
Max Markland	3	Jacob Dickson	18
Dornita Hamann	5	John Loitz	19
Will Schneider	5	Nancy Marcotte	19
Krysta Farina	9	Caleb Benson	22
Dan Holm	9	Adam Jacobson	24
John Lewke	13	Connor Claussen	26
Max Currier	14	Steven Lawrence	28
Mike Dillman	14	Daren Lehnert	28
Kevin Mussman	15	Bella Rodriguez	28

FEBRUARY 2017
CALENDAR OF EVENTS



1	7:00 pm	Adult Choir practice Dartball playoffs at GP
5	9:00 am	Sunday School
	10:30 am	Worship Service - Communion
7	7:00 pm	Board of Christian Education meeting
8	5:30 pm	Brownie Troop # 71518
	7:00 pm	Adult Choir practice Dartball Championship
12	9:00 am	Sunday School
	10:30 am	Worship Service Installation of Officers and Committees
15	12:30	Farmers and Friends Lunch
	7:00 pm	Adult Choir
18	4:00 pm	Grant Park LLSS 4-H Fundraiser
19	9:00 am	Sunday School
	10:30 am	Worship Service
20	1:00 pm	Young at Heart
23	7:00 pm	Church Council Meeting
22	5:30 pm	Brownie Troop # 71518
	7:00 pm	Adult Choir practice
25		Toppen baby shower in Fellowship Hall
26	9:00 am	Sunday School
	10:30 am	Worship Service
28	7:00 pm	Church Council Meeting

HAVE YOU HEARD??

Many times you, the members and friends of St. Peter's United Church of Christ, learn of events, illnesses, and deaths before we do in the office. Please contact the church office (815.465.6191) with the information you learn about.



**CONTACT INFORMATION FOR MEMBERS NOT ABLE TO ATTEND
CHURCH ON A REGULAR BASIS**

Mrs. Louise Sievers
Riverside Senior Life
85 Burns Road
Bourbonnais, IL 60914

Mr. Clarence Heldt
Heritage Woods Rm 191
355 Diversatech Dr.
Manteno, IL 60950



Mrs. Doris Laking
Humme Home for the Aging
604 S Webb
Whittenberg, WI 54499

Jesus Is My Valentine

**Jesus is my Valentine;
I talk to Him each day.
He never, never leaves me;
and always listens when I pray.
Yes He is my Valentine;
there is no love like His.
He is the heart of all that is;
for Him I breathe and live.
He's a Valentine that never lies;
never hurts or breaks.
He always has forgiven me;
for all my past mistakes.
If you only knew my Valentine;
You would love Him too.
For His love is always perfect;
His love is always true.
So if your heart is longing;
for a love that never ends,
for someone that is faithful;
you know you can depend.
call upon my Valentine;
He'll wash away your sin.
He will be your Valentine;
and your dearest, dearest friend.**

**By: Simon Y Nikitnaks
December 2008**

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Grant Park LLSS 4-H Club FUNDRAISER



BINGO NIGHT & Chili Dinner

When: Saturday, February 18, 2017

Dinner starts @ 4p.m.

Bingo Games start @ 5p.m.

**Where: St. Peter's United
Church of Christ**

310 N Meadow, Grant Park

Cost: \$1per card or 6 cards for \$5

Dinner: 1 Bowl Chili & Drink \$6 &

Desserts \$1

Prizes include cash and gifts

Please SUPPORT

Grant Park LLSS

4 -H Club

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Facebook: St. Peters UCC Grant Park

Church Office Hours: Tuesday – Friday; 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM

STAFF

Marcia Langlois, Office Administrator

Beverly Junker, Financial Secretary

Ann Smith, Senior Choir Director

Kathy Ekhoﬀ, Junior Choir Director

Judy Schneider and Shari Ohm, Organists

Christine Garbaciak, Custodian

Rhiannon Currier & Rhonda McKinstry Youth Advisors

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***No Matter Who You Are or Where you Are on Life's Journey,
You Are Welcome Here***