



UNITED PROCLAMATION OF THE GOSPEL:

Light of Christ  
St. John's Windish  
St. Peter's

# 'Till We Meet Again!

Week of June 25 & June 26, 2022

## weekend worship

Worship on **Saturday, June 25** at **5:00 PM** will be held at **St. Peter's**. Worship on Sunday, **June 26** at **9:00 AM** will be held at **Light of Christ**.

### WORSHIP MINISTERS FOR THIS WEEK

**Presiding Minister:** Pastor Mike

June 25:

**Assisting Minister:** Sandra Butch

June 26:

9:00 AM

**Assisting Minister:** Joe Bleier

**Lector:** Ken Remaly

**Communion Assistant:** Delynn Gerhard

## This Week

### COVID-19 SAFETY MEASURES UPDATE

We are **recommending** that masks should be worn during all in-person activities. Windows will also remain open during worship services, so please dress appropriately.

### SUMMER SCHEDULE

There will be **one service on Sundays** at **9:00 AM**. There will be **no Sunday School**. There will still be the **5:00 PM Saturday live stream** at St. Peter's. Please call your church office if you have any questions.

### STRIDERS WALKING SCHEDULE

Join the Striders for a fun walk on **June 29th**, at **Sand Island/Tow Path, Bethlehem** (meet near the Ice House).

### CALLING ALL WORSHIP MINISTERS

Following worship on **Sunday, June 26th** and **Sunday, July 31**, we will hold two informal meetings to discuss ways to combine our three campuses traditions, and create a new worship minister experience for our new community of faith! We want YOUR input on what our assisting ministers, communion assistants, ushers, acolytes, and lectors should do.

All worship ministers, members of the Worship and Music Committee, and all congregants are welcome to attend!

### HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE JUNE JOINT COUNCIL MEETING

The summer worship schedule will be extended through Sept. 11, 2022 to accommodate GWOH Sunday

The worship time on Sunday, July 17 & Sunday, August 07 will be moved to 1030 to accommodate the Polka Mass & Picnic in the Park

The UPG is currently interviewing candidates to fill the Executive Assistant position for when Brynn leaves to attend Seminary studies

James Ritchie & Matthew Bleier have resigned from St. Peter's council

Financial updates for May 2022:

SJW: Income = \$11,479.00

Expense = \$21,991.00

LOC: Income = \$11,767.00

Expense = \$19,495.00

STP: Income + \$17,668.00

Expense = \$21,045.00



### NEXT WEEK'S WORSHIP MINISTERS

The worship ministers for July 2nd and 3rd are listed here. Contact Josh Gulotta if you have any questions: **July 2nd:** Assisting Minister: Brynn Anderson. **July 3rd 9:00 AM:** Assisting Minister: Gina Brockway; Communion Assistant: Ron Leposa; Lector: Liliana Brockway; Ushers: Guy Lintner and Douglas Bleier.

### VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Dear UPG Families,

Summer is here, and here at the UPG we are planning an exciting Vacation Bible School experience! Sign up today for ReNew: The Green VBS! This fun-filled VBS is for everyone in grades PreK-6.

The program begins **August 15th and continues through August 19th at St. Peter's.** Each day begins at **9:00 AM** and wraps up at **noon.**

At ReNew, kids explore the Bible and discover ways to care for God's creation. Emphasizing stewardship and community, kids will have an amazing times growing in faith, having fun, and changing the world!

Registration is going on now. Contact a church office for more information or to register for VBS.

**We are also looking for volunteers to lead and help lead classes!**

### GWOH/SAM PROJECT

**Please save aluminum pop tabs and cans during the summer. Pop tabs can be saved in plastic bags and please, please, please rinse and crush the cans. We don't want to attract ants.** If in doubt about whether a can is aluminum, it will not attract like a magnet. We hope to combine our efforts to turn tabs/cans into financial help for Ronald McDonald House or a cancer charity. The committee members of God's Work. Our Hands and Stewards, Angels in Ministry are sponsoring this collection. **Tabs/cans may be dropped off on Sundays (LoC/June, SJW/July, STP/August, LoC/Sept) or during the week on the porch of LoC.** Collection containers will be available on all campuses. **Thank you.**

### IRON PIGS GAME

Pastor Dan Brettell has reserved 100 Iron Pigs tickets for **Friday, July 8th;** game time at **7:05 PM.** The tickets are **\$11.00 each,** and are on the third base side of the Ball Park in sections 118 and 119. If you are interested in buying a ticket, please call your church office.

### IN THE



### SOCIAL JUSTICE ISSUES

Let's put our faith in action. Check out the Pennsylvania Conference of Churches webpage for ways that you can get involved. See [pa-churches.org](http://pa-churches.org) for more info. The US Senate is close to passing a bill for commonsense gun legislation, send letters to Senator Toomey and Senator Casey supporting this bill. Letters to local US Representatives would be great too! Also, for those who want to go one step further to ban assault rifles you can email our legisla-

tors at the link found in the weekly emails.

Another great reference for gun violence is CeaseFirePa.org. This group has pushed for wearing orange to support commonsense gun legislation. Their website has multiple links to express your desire to see multiple kinds of legislation aimed at decreasing gun violence.

We are the beacon of light shining God's love into our community and our world. This is our call to action.

**Bear Creek Sponsorship:** If your child wants to attend Bear Creek Camp this summer, the church is willing to cover part of the cost! When registering on the Bear Creek website, input the sponsorship code **SPBETH22** for \$169.00 to be covered. If you have any questions, please call the church office.

**Pastor's Discretionary Fund:** If you are able to, please consider donating to the Pastor's Discretionary fund. This fund goes toward helping those in the community who are in need. Please direct your donation to your church office and make sure it is designated to the Pastor's Discretionary Fund.

**Visitation:** If you or a loved one are in the hospital and would like a visit, please let the church office know.

**Pennsylvania Homeowner Assistance Fund:** The Pennsylvania Homeowner Assistance Fund is a program that provides eligible Pennsylvania homeowners with up to \$30,000 in assistance to ease mortgage delinquencies, foreclosures, and utility disconnection. To be eligible for assistance, you must own a home in Pennsylvania, meet certain income requirements, and have experienced financial issues due to the COVID-19 pandemic. If you are interested in

this program, visit [pahaf.org](http://pahaf.org) or call 888-987-2423.

### WEEKLY MAILINGS

If you have returned to in-person Worship and are no longer in need of the weekly mailing packet, please contact the church office.

### PASTOR'S CONTACT INFORMATION

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## **THIS WEEK IN THE UPG: JUNE 25TH— JULY 3RD**

### **Saturday June 25**

- 9:00 AM Striders Walking Group at Jacobsburg State Park
- 5:00 PM Worship at St. Peter's with Live Stream on the UPG Facebook page

### **Sunday June 26**

- Worship available on YouTube and the UPG website ([upgbethlehem.org](http://upgbethlehem.org)) by 8:00 AM
- 9:00 AM Worship at Light of Christ
- 10:00 AM Worship Minister Meeting

### **Tuesday June 28**

- 8:00 AM Men's Breakfast at The Palace Restaurant

### **Wednesday June 22**

- 7:00 AM Fellowship Group
- 9:00 AM Wednesday Morning Ladies Projects, Devotions, and Lunch
- 7:00 PM Striders Walking Group at Sand Island/Tow Path, Bethlehem

### **Saturday July 2**

- 5:00 PM Worship at St. Peter's with Live Stream on the UPG Facebook page

### **Sunday July 3**

- Worship available on YouTube and the UPG website ([upgbethlehem.org](http://upgbethlehem.org)) by 8:00 AM
- 9:00 AM Worship at St. John's Windish