

WELCOME!

Families are valued here! Thank you for trusting us with your time and spiritual care. Kids activity sheets and crayons are available on tables as you enter worship.

Two family-friendly rooms are located to the left and right of the main level sanctuary. One room is exclusively for nursing moms while the other is available for families who might need a quieter environment or simply more space to move during worship.

Kids Care is available during the 10:45 AM worship service in the Kids Ministry hallway. Little ones (Birth–Pre-K) will be welcomed into an engaging and fun experience. They will learn how much God loves them, what a special creation they are, and how Jesus wants to be their best friend forever!

HOLY COMMUNION

Today we celebrate the Lord's Supper as instituted by Jesus the night before He died. In keeping with 1 Corinthians 11:26-29, we ask everyone seeking communion to examine themselves by asking:

Am I sorry for my sins and desire forgiveness?

Do I believe that Jesus, by His death, offers me forgiveness?

Do I believe that I receive the true body and blood of Christ with the bread and wine?

Do I desire, with the help of the Holy Spirit, to turn from my sinful ways?

All who trust in these words of Christ, "Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins," who share our confession of faith, and can answer "Yes!" to the questions above, are invited to join us in this celebration!

If you choose not to commune with us, we invite you and any children who have not yet received communion instruction to come forward to receive a blessing. To communicate that you want a blessing instead of communion, simply cross your arms when you come forward. For those who prefer, we offer grape juice and gluten-free wafers. Grape juice is in the center of the communion trays, and you can ask for a gluten-free wafer when you come forward.

Our worship assistants and ushers are available to bring communion to those unable to come to the rail. To indicate that you need this service, please speak to one of our team members with the blue-colored lanyards before communion, and they will make sure to bring it to you.

Please speak with a Pastor before the service if you have questions regarding communion.

Prelude

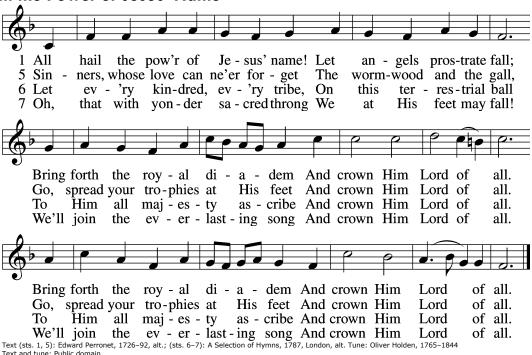
Announcements

Welcome

Please stand

Passing of the Peace

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name



Invocation

- **P** In the name of the Father and of the

 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Confession and Absolution

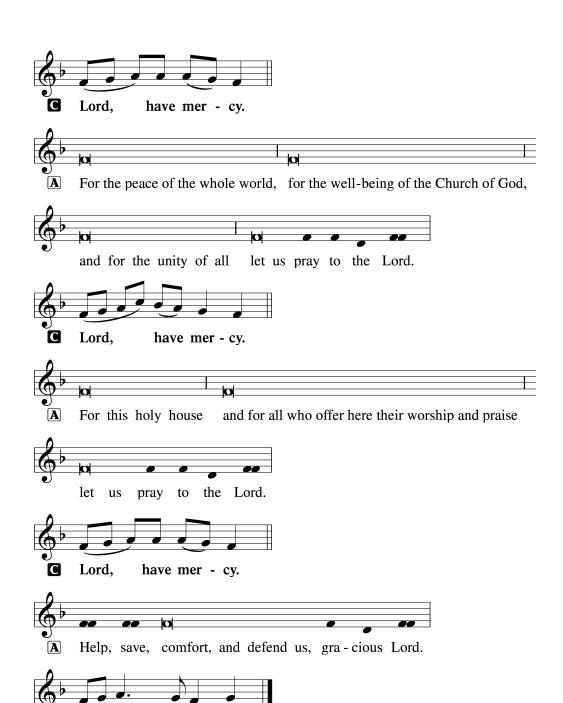
- **P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

- P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.
- Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Kyrie





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A

This Is the Feast



Please be seated

Offering & Connect





Old Testament Reading

Deuteronomy 6:1–12

These are the commands, decrees and laws the LORD your God directed me to teach you to observe in the land that you are crossing the Jordan to possess, ² so that you, your children and their children after them may fear the LORD your God as long as you live by keeping all his decrees and commands that I give you, and so that you may enjoy long life. ³ Hear, Israel, and be careful to obey so that it may go well with you and that you may increase greatly in a land flowing with milk and honey, just as the LORD, the God of your ancestors, promised you. ⁴ Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one. ¹⁵ Love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength. ⁶ These commandments that I give you today are to be on your hearts. ⁷ Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up. ⁸ Tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads. ⁹ Write them on the doorframes of your houses and on your gates. 10 When the LORD your God brings you into the land he swore to your fathers, to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, to give you—a land with large, flourishing cities you did not build, 11 houses filled with all kinds of good things you did not provide, wells you did not dig, and vineyards and olive groves vou did not plant—then when you eat and are satisfied. 12 be careful that you do not forget the LORD, who brought you out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery.

- **A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

Please stand

Alleluia and Verse



Holy Gospel

Mark 10:13-16

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the tenth chapter.



People were bringing little children to Jesus for him to place his hands on them, but the disciples rebuked them. ¹⁴ When Jesus saw this, he was indignant. He said to them, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these. ¹⁵ Truly I tell you, anyone who will not receive the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it." ¹⁶ And he took the children in his arms, placed his hands on them and blessed them.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



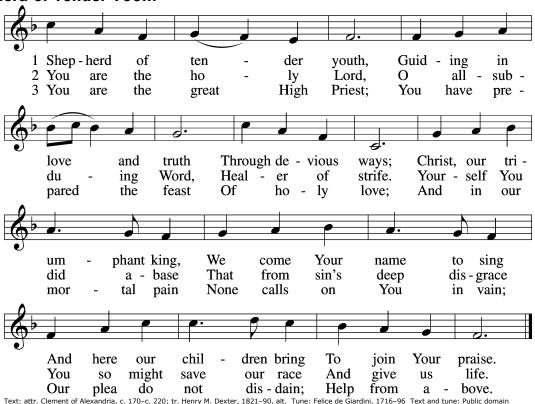
Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end. And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son who with the Father and the Son together.

from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Shepherd of Tender Youth



Sermon

Please stand

Prayers

We pray for our sick and hospitalized.

We pray for individuals and families to experience healing where it is needed.

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Preface

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And also with you.
- **P** Lift up your hearts.
- **C** We lift them to the Lord.
- **P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- **C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.
- P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who on this day overcame death and the grave and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus



Words of Institution

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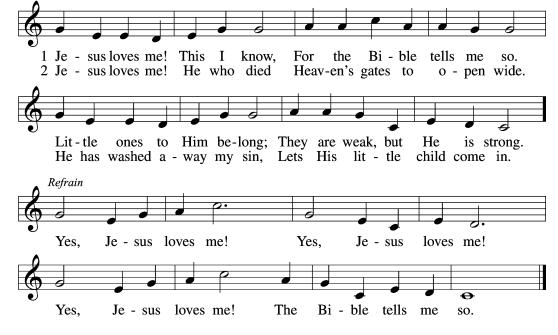
- The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C Amen.



Please be seated

Communion

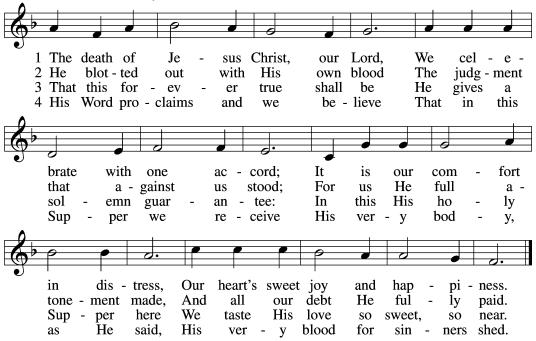




- Jesus loves me! He's my guide,
 Always walking by my side,
 He will love and comfort me
 Throughout life's tempestuous sea. *Refrain*
- 4 Jesus loves me; He is mine.
 He fulfilled God's grand design,
 Died upon a cursed tree,
 Brought eternal life to me. *Refrain*
- Jesus loves me, so I sing
 In both joy and suffering.
 Ever thankful I will be
 For His boundless love to me. *Refrain*

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The Death of Jesus Christ, Our Lord



- We dare not ask how this can be, But simply hold the mystery And trust this word where life begins: "Given and shed for all your sins."
- 8 Help us sincerely to believe
 That we may worthily receive
 Your Supper and in You find rest.

Amen! They who believe are blest.

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Please stand

Dismissal





C Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and proud-ly bear His name.



He re-calls His prom-is - es and leads His peo-ple forth in joy



Post-Communion Collect

A Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

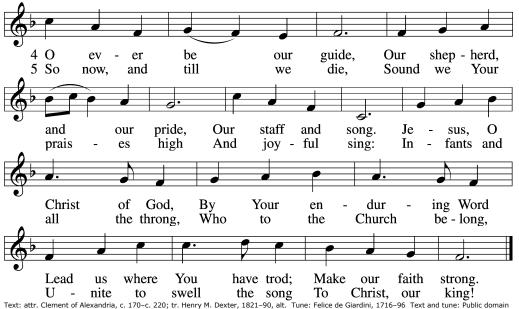
Benediction

- The Lord bless you and keep you.

 The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

 The Lord look upon you with favor and H give you peace.
- C Amen.

Shepherd of Tender Youth



Postlude

SERMON NOTES

Main Idea: Faith development starts at home. Families are the first place where faith is nurtured, and the church comes alongside to equip, support, and encourage them. This week highlights the importance of raising children to know and follow Jesus, while inviting families to create rhythms of faith that impact generations.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

KIDS MINISTRY

NO QUEST on Sunday, August 31 – Enjoy the Labor Day weekend!

September Quest Groups

Quest Groups (Birth–6th Grade) meet on Sunday mornings from 9:30–10:30 AM in the Kids Ministry hallway! This month, our kids are learning how God can give you courage when you don't feel ready. Questions? Contact Desiree Shaw (dshaw@stpeters-columbus.org)



My Best For You

The My Best For You program will be held on September 19 & 20. This program exists to bring parents and their upper elementary and middle schoolaged children together by laying a foundation of truth for our sexuality. Scan the QR code to register.

Kids Ministry Play & Grow Fall Dates

Upcoming Events for kids birth-PreK with their grown-ups:

Regular Dates: September 12 & 26, October 24, November 7 & 21, December 5 & 19 @ 9:15am - Meeting in the Kids Ministry rooms

Field Trip (Police Station): September 19 @ 9:30AM - Columbus Police Department Join St. Peter's Kids for a fun family field trip this September to the Columbus Police Department. The tour will begin at the police lobby. She will show the group around the station, answer questions, and will show the group a police patrol vehicle up close!

If you would like notifications, contact Katey at kmeadows@stpeters-columbus.org.

YOUTH MINISTRY

NO TREK and VENTURE Sun, Aug 31 - Enjoy Labor Day weekend!

VENTURE (9th-12th Graders): Sun, Sep 7 at St. Peter's, 6-8pm. Join us for dinner, games, worship, and small group time. Questions: Mark Kelly mark.m.kelly59@gmail.com or Lisa Witte lwitte@stpeters-columbus.org

TREK Color War (7th-8th Graders): Sun, Sep 7, 4-5:30pm at St. Peter's in The Den. Join us for crazy Color War games. Wear a white t-shirt, and bring a towel. Invite a friend! Bethany Hayes bhayes@stpeters-columbus.org

Explore Family Lunch - Sun, Sep 7, 12:00 PM at St. Peter's in The Den. Join us for our monthly check-in. Please bring your Guided By Truth journal, a pen or pencil, and any questions you might have. Questions: Bethany Hayes bhayes@stpeters-columbus.org

CONCERT SERIES We will kick off ou



We will kick off our 2025/2026 Concert Series with Jazz Me, Baby! on Sunday, September 14 @ 3:30pm. In the late 1990's there was a resurgence of interest in Big Band and Swing music. Groups like The Brian Setzer Orchestra and Cherry Poppin' Daddies had hits on the pop charts. Many of the Big Bands were finding it increasingly difficult to book jobs as their primary audience was less likely to want to drive after dark. Understanding this trend, a group of friends

who had played music together in the 1980's and 90's decided that there might be interest in hearing this music without having to coordinate the logistics of a 17 piece big band. "Jazz Me Baby" was born as an opportunity for them to just enjoy playing music together. In the entirety of this group's existence, they have never played a "formal concert." This group has always provided the background music as you have eaten your lunch, enjoyed a birthday, anniversary or wedding reception, a Christmas party, a hog roast, the 4-H fair or the farmer's market. At this concert, they are inviting you to come along as they play familiar jazz standards that maybe you have not heard for a while. "Jazz Me Baby" has just concluded their residency at the Columbus Farmer's Market. Members include Keith Burton on trumpet, Scott Hobson on saxophone, Brad Schrock on trombone, Mark Echard on bass, Tom Lego on drums, and Lindsey Fugill on keys. This concert is free and takes place in the St. Peter's Sanctuary.

AUTO MAINTENANCE DAY

The fall event is in need of volunteers for Saturday, September 20, (Rain Date: October 4) from 6:30am-2:00pm in the Den parking lot. Even if you don't know how to "spin a wrench" we can partner you with regular volunteers that teach the basics and enable you to give back to those in need.



There are two ways you can make an impact:

- 1. RSVP and attend for any 3-4 hour block that is convenient for you
- 2. Spread the word and encourage others to volunteer

To RSVP scan the QR code. Questions: Ben Eckert at benjamin.eckert1@outlook.com

CANCER CARE MINISTRY

St. Peter's Cancer Care ministry will host its' annual Anointing Night service on Tuesday, September 9th, 2025. The evening will begin with a pasta dinner starting at 6:00 pm in Room 2164 (India Room) followed by a service in the sanctuary. This is a service of encouragement, prayer and worship culminating with anointing over each receiver and their caregivers at the kneeling rail by all the pastors and elders. If possible, please let us know how many in your group might be joining us for this special blessing. Please call or text either Claudette Hayward at 812-371-2049 or Brenda Sullivan at 812-343-1990 with this information.

OFFICES CLOSED LABOR DAY

The offices will be closed on Monday, September 1 in observance of the holiday.

THE COFFEE MUG WALL

During our *Life to the Fullest* series, you'll notice a wall of coffee mugs in the church lobby. They're more than mugs—they're a way to say, "We're glad you're here." If you've invited someone to worship, choose a mug from the wall and gift it to them. And if you came on your own today, we know it's not always easy to walk into a church where you don't know anyone—so please take a mug as our way of saying, "You belong here." As the weeks go on, keep an eye on the wall. With each mug disappearing, it becomes a visual reminder of how God is at work—drawing people to Himself through relationships and invitation.



LIVING GENEROUSLY THROUGH THRIVENT ACTION TEAMS

Thrivent members you have the opportunity to impact the ministries of St. Peter's and those in the community by utilizing your Thrivent Action Team option (at least one action team per Thrivent member, two depending on level of membership with Thrivent). As a new season of ministry begins in August these are some of the ministries that could benefit from your generosity: Grilled Cheese Thursday (food/supplies); Kids' Ministry (snacks/teaching supplies/special events); Youth Ministry (snacks/supplies for Trek and Venture meetings/events); 8th grade Concession Fundraiser (food/supplies); Angels of Love (supplies such as Bibles, pens, window tags, gifts); Concert Series (food for receptions); LWML (Advent by Candlelight food/supplies and supplies for Servant Saturdays). For assistance in applying for a Thrivent Action Team contact Karen Pinnow: 812-371-4757 or karen.pinnow@att.net. If applying on your own please let Karen know what event and date you are applying for to avoid duplication of applications which will minimize denials.

SERVE PUERTO RICO 2026



St. Peter's is again planning to send a mission team to Puerto Rico to serve their community in various ways. The trip will be January 24-31, 2026. An information meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 16, at 7pm at George Denholm's home. Contact George for more information at gdenholm@stpeters-columbus.org.

SLEEP IN HEAVENLY PEACE BUILD DAY

We're partnering with Sleep in Heavenly Peace to build beds for kids in our community who don't have one of their own. This is a tangible opportunity to live out our faith and help end child bedlessness. Together we can say, "No more kids sleep on the floor in our town." Join us for one of two Build Days at St. Peter's: Saturday, September 6 or Sunday, September 7, both from noon to 4:00 p.m. No experience needed—just scan the QR code to sign up and make a difference.



SERVING

Preacher: Pastor John Cordrey

Worship Leader: Pastor Adam Rodriguez

Organist: Lindsey Fugill

WEEKLY WORSHIP SERVICES

Contemporary: 6pm Saturdays and 10:45am Sundays Traditional: 8am Sundays and 7pm Wednesdays

TO SUBMIT A PRAYER REQUEST

Call 812-372-1571 x2121 or complete the Prayer Request Form at: stpeterscolumbus.org

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We celebrate God's blessing of 70 years of marriage to Ron and Charlotte Pardieck on Sept. 4.

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