

Those for Whom We Pray

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Attention St. Peter's Readers: advance copies of lessons are on the bulletin board to better prepare for reading the lessons. Please take those for the week(s) you are responsible.



St. Clairsville Lutheran Parish

Messiah, Bedford – 10:30 a.m.

WELCOME VISITORS!

We're glad to have you worship with us today.

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SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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Prelude

**+Brief Order for Confession and
Forgiveness:** page 94

+Gathering Song:

+Greeting: page 98

+Kyrie: page 98

+Song of Praise #848

+Prayer of the Day: insert

First Reading: insert

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm: insert (*read responsively*)

Second Reading: insert

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

+Gospel Acclamation: page 102

+Gospel: insert

Children's Sermon

Sermon

+Hymn of the Day

+Apostles' Creed: page 105

+Prayers of Intercession: insert

+Peace: page 106

OFFERING

+Offertory: hymn #182 (Let the Vineyards Be
Fruitful Lord)

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Announcements and Blessings

+Sending Hymn

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Postlude

+Please stand as you are able

Announcements:

- Messiah is making health kits. We need toothbrushes, bath size soap, band-aids (all regular size ¾” x 4”) You may donate money or buy the items, keep your receipts & give them to us. Thank You.
- We are collecting soap for Lutheran World Relief. Please bring soap to the church.
- Organizational meeting 7:30 tonight at St. Peter’s for anyone who signed up to help at the pig roast. Everyone is welcome even if you didn’t signup ☺.
- Pig Roast Saturday, July 30th, 1:00 at St. Peter’s. Covered dish. Everyone is welcome. Youth sleep over Friday night for ages 7 & up, younger children may stay with a parent or older sibling.
- Happy Birthday to Nathan Custer & Mary Henderson.

A Let us bring forth what is old and true, with what is new and potentially helpful for the healing of the sick (*especially*). May love, tenderness, and prayer be effective alongside medical procedures. God of love,

C **hear our prayer.**

A May we, trained for the kingdom of heaven, rejoice in the fellowship of (*names, and all*) the saints who have gone before us, and cling to the hope of that blessed place. God of love,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Receive our prayers, holy God, and give us all we need for this day and the days to come, through the power of the Holy Spirit and in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

C **Amen**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P O God, your ears are open always to the prayers of your servants. Open our hearts and minds to you, that we may live in harmony with your will and receive the gifts of your Spirit; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

FIRST READING: 1 Kings 3:5-12

At Gibeon the LORD appeared to Solomon in a dream by night; and God said, "Ask what I should give you." ⁶And Solomon said, "You have shown great and steadfast love to your servant my father David, because he walked before you in faithfulness, in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart toward you; and you have kept for him this great and steadfast love, and have given him a son to sit on his throne today. ⁷And now, O LORD my God, you have made your servant king in place of my father David, although I am only a little child; I do not know how to go out or come in. ⁸And your servant is in the midst of the people whom you have chosen, a great people, so numerous they cannot be numbered or counted. ⁹Give your servant therefore an understanding mind to govern your people, able to discern between good and evil; for who can govern this your great people?"

¹⁰It pleased the LORD that Solomon had asked this. ¹¹God said to him, "Because you have asked this, and have not asked for yourself long life or riches, or for the life of your enemies, but have asked for yourself understanding to discern what is right, ¹²I now do according to your word. Indeed I give you a wise and discerning mind; no one like you has been before you and no one like you shall arise after you."

PSALM: Psalm 119:129-136

Your de- | crees are wonderful; *
therefore I obey them with | all my heart.

¹³⁰**When your word goes forth | it gives
light;***

it gives understanding | to the simple.

¹³¹I open my | mouth and pant; *

I long for | your commandments.

¹³²**Turn to | me in mercy, ***

**as you always do to those who | love your
name.**

¹³³Steady my footsteps | in your word; *

let no iniquity have dominion | over me.

¹³⁴**Rescue me from those | who oppress me, *
and I will keep | your commandments.**

¹³⁵Let your countenance shine up- | on your servant *
and teach | me your statutes.

¹³⁶**My eyes shed | streams of tears, *
because people do not | keep your law.**

SECOND READING: Romans 8:26-39

The Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. ²⁷And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.
the master of a household who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old."

THE PRAYERS

A Gathered, enlightened, and empowered to serve, let us pray for the church, the nations, and all people seeking God's mercy and care.

A God of heaven and earth, as we have discovered the treasure of your heavenly reign, may we joyfully dedicate our lives to sharing it with others. God of love,

C **hear our prayer.**

A Instill in us the breathless wonder of your word; keep us steadfast in keeping your commandments and teaching your word to our children. God of love,

C **hear our prayer.**

A Open our ears to hear your call to seek justice in every arena of life, that the poorest among us may be lifted up in fairness and mercy. God of love,

C **hear our prayer.**

A As a mustard seed is planted and grows into a great shrub, let us dare small beginnings, which by your Spirit's power can become great ventures for blessing many people. God of love,

C **hear our prayer.**

²⁸We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose. ²⁹For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn within a large family. ³⁰And those whom he predestined he also called; and those whom he called he also justified; and those whom he justified he also glorified.

³¹What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? ³²He who did not withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us, will he not with him also give us everything else? ³³Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. ³⁴Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us.

³⁵Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? ³⁶As it is written,
"For your sake we are being killed all day long;
we are accounted as sheep to be
slaughtered."

³⁷No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. ³⁸For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, ³⁹nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

GOSPEL: Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

[Jesus] put before the crowds another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field; ³²it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches."

³³He told them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened."

⁴⁴"The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and hid; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.

⁴⁵"Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; ⁴⁶on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it.

⁴⁷"Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and caught fish of every kind; ⁴⁸when it was full, they drew it ashore, sat down, and put the good into baskets but threw out the bad. ⁴⁹So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous ⁵⁰and throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

⁵¹"Have you understood all this?" They answered, "Yes." ⁵²And he said to them, "Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like