Those for Whom We Pray

Jim Mock	Virginia Mock	Clarissa Miller
Kalfas Family	Gary Turner	Grace Hershberger
Carrol Williams	Sarah Pruszynski	Terry Fyock
Bob Kagarise	Tommy Osman	Ed Figura
Colleen Figura	Mitch Cable	Levi Bowman
Maddie Letsche	Donna Shannon	Guy Mellott
Eva Miller	Larry Claycomb	Delasko Family
Amy Holdsworth	Rick Vogelsberger	Tom Eschmann
Addie Campitell	Taylor Kring	J. D. Hallis
Liam Norris	Landon Norris	Randy Aurandt
Kyllie Onxst	Martin Woods	Kathy Stehly
Owen College	Tina Masters	Dave Jenkins
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Nathan Custer	Jeremy Boyce	Jason Browne
Lela Browne	David Custer	Kristin Custer
Scott R. Barefoot	Chris Bowen	Sean Danowski
Eric Mannion	Steve B. Domonkos J	Ir. Steven Faul
Troy Hershberger	Rebecca Thevenot	Stephen Shaffer
Johnathan Douglass	Dustin Bingham	Kevin Dively
Landon Persavich	Jacoby Brady	Tina Masters
Jason Winesickle	Christopher Faul	Brandon Hebert

Kyler Claar Christopher Ickes Please see the bulletin board for the prayer list with numbers before the names. The names with a # 11 in front of them will be removed on December 29th. If you want it on longer, please call the office. Thank you.

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Announcements:

- New Year's Day Jt. Service 10:00 at Messiah.
- Save the Date! Messiah's annual congregational dinner is Sunday, January 15th.
- Happy Birthday to Kevin Young, Adam Osman, Charles Maxwell Jr. Nikolas Custer and Deborah Winesickle.

St. Clairsville Lutheran Parish

Messiah & St. Peter's Joint Service at St. Peter's, St. Clairsville - 10:00 a.m.

WELCOME VISITORS!

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

December 25, 2011

NATIVITY OF OUR LORD, CHRISTMAS DAY

Rev. Donna J. Wolfinger – 276-3036 P. O. Box 488 Osterburg, PA 16667 Office Hours Tues. 9-12 & Thurs. 9-11:30 Phone 276-3070 sclpoffice@pennswoods.net www.stclairsville-lutheranparish.net Prelude

+Brief Order for Confession and Forgiveness: page 56 +Opening Hymn: 45 Oh, Come, All Ye Faithful +Greeting: page 57 +Hymn of Praise pages 58-59 (Glory to God in the Highest) +Salutation: page 62 +**Prayer of the Day:** insert First Lesson: insert **Psalm:** insert (*read responsively*) Second Lesson: insert +Verse: page 62 +Gospel: insert **Children's Sermon** Sermon +Hymn of the Day 71 Angels We Have Heard on High +Apostles' Creed: page 65

+**Prayers:** insert +Peace: page 66 **OFFERING** +Offertory: page 66 (Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful Lord) +Offertory Prayer page 67 +Great Thanksgiving pages 68-71 +Lord's Prayer: page 71 Communion Lamb of God: page 72 +Post Communion Canticle: page 72 (Thank the Lord) +Post Communion Prayer: page 74 +Benediction: page 74 **Announcements and Blessings** +Sending Hymn: 70 Go Tell It On The Mountain +Dismissal: page 74 Postlude +Please stand as you are able

A That children in all circumstances—those who go to bed hungry and those who live in abundance; those without parents and those with families to protect them; those who live in fear and those who live in safety—might receive the care they need. God of our salvation,

C have mercy and hear us.

A That Jesus' willingness to take on our humanity might give us an example of faithful and obedient service. God of our salvation,

C have mercy and hear us.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

A That in yearning for the heavenly Jerusalem, we, along with the redeemed of the Lord from every time and place, might live as heirs according to the hope of eternal life. God of our salvation,

C have mercy and hear us.

P Confident that you establish righteousness and justice in the world, we commend to you all for whom we pray; through your Son and our redeemer, Jesus Christ.

C Amen

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Almighty God, you have made yourself known in your Son, Jesus, redeemer of the world. We pray that his birth as a human child will set us free from the old slavery of our sin; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. C **Amen**

FIRST READING: Isaiah 62:6-12

Upon your walls, O Jerusalem, I have posted sentinels; all day and all night they shall never be silent. You who remind the LORD, take no rest. ⁷and give him no rest until he establishes Jerusalem and makes it renowned throughout the earth. ⁸The LORD has sworn by his right hand and by his mighty arm: I will not again give your grain to be food for your enemies, and foreigners shall not drink the wine for which you have labored; ⁹but those who garner it shall eat it and praise the LORD, and those who gather it shall drink it in my holy courts.

¹⁰Go through, go through the gates, prepare the way for the people;
build up, build up the highway, clear it of stones, lift up an ensign over the peoples.
¹¹The LORD has proclaimed to the end of the earth:
Say to daughter Zion, "See, your salvation comes;
his reward is with him, and his recompense before him."
¹²They shall be called, "The Holy People, The Redeemed of the LORD";
and you shall be called, "Sought Out, A City Not Forsaken."

PSALM: Psalm 97

The LORD is king; let the | earth rejoice;* **let the multitude of the | isles be glad.** ²Clouds and darkness are | round about him,* **righteousness and justice are the foundations | of his throne.** ³A fire | goes before him*

and burns up his enemies on | every side. ⁴His lightnings light | up the world;*

the earth sees it and | is afraid. ⁵The mountains melt like wax at the presence | of the LORD,* at the presence of the LORD of \mid the whole earth.

⁶The heavens de- | clare his righteousness,*

and all the peoples | see his glory.

¹⁵When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us." ¹⁶So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger.¹⁷When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child; ¹⁸and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them. ¹⁹But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart. ²⁰The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.

THE PRAYERS

A Pondering the mystery of the Word made flesh, let us bring before the throne of God our prayers on behalf of the church, the world, and all people in need. *A brief silence.*

A That the church would faithfully announce the good news of Jesus' birth and freely offer God's gifts of grace to a broken and sinful world. God of our salvation,

C have mercy and hear us.

A That leaders throughout the world would desire and work for the end of hostilities, so that there might be peace and goodwill among all people. God of our salvation,

C have mercy and hear us.

⁷Confounded be all who worship carved images and delight | in false gods!*

Bow down before him, | all you gods. ⁸Zion hears and is glad, and the cities of Ju- | dah rejoice,*

because of your judg- | **ments, O LORD.** ⁹For you are the LORD, most high over | all the earth;*

you are exalted far a- | bove all gods. ¹⁰The LORD loves those | who hate evil;*

he preserves the lives of his saints and delivers them from the hand | of the wicked.

¹¹Light has sprung up | for the righteous,* and joyful gladness for those who | are truehearted.

¹²Rejoice in the | LORD, you righteous,* and give thanks to his | holy name.

SECOND READING: Titus 3:4-7

When the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, ⁵he saved us, not because of any works of righteousness that we had done, but according to his mercy, through the water of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit. ⁶This Spirit he poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior, ⁷so that, having been justified by his grace, we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

GOSPEL: Luke 2:[1-7] 8-20

[In those days a decree went out from Emperor Augustus that all the world should be registered. ²This was the first registration and was taken while Quirinius was governor of Syria. ³All went to their own towns to be registered. ⁴Joseph also went from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to the city of David called Bethlehem, because he was descended from the house and family of David. ⁵He went to be registered with Mary, to whom he was engaged and who was expecting a child. ⁶While they were there, the time came for her to deliver her child. ⁷And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in bands of cloth, and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn.]

⁸In that region there were shepherds living in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night.

⁹Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. ¹⁰But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid; for see I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: ¹¹to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord. ¹²This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger." ¹³And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying,

¹⁴"Glory to God in the highest heaven,

and on earth peace among those whom he favors!"