

Those for Whom We Pray

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If you have any changes for the prayer list, please call the office.
Thank you.

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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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THIRTEENTH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST

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Prelude

+Brief Order for Confession and

Forgiveness: page 94

+Gathering Song:

+Greeting: page 98

+Song of Praise #848

+Prayer of the Day:

☞ God of all creation, you reach out to call people of all nations to your kingdom. As you gather disciples from near and far, count us also among those who boldly confess your Son Jesus Christ as Lord.

C Amen

FIRST READING: Joshua 24:1-2a, 14-18

Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel to Shechem, and summoned the elders, the heads, the judges, and the officers of Israel; and they presented themselves before God. ²And Joshua said to all the people,

¹⁴ "Now therefore revere the LORD, and serve him in sincerity and in faithfulness; put away the gods that your ancestors served beyond the River and in Egypt, and serve the LORD. ¹⁵Now if you are unwilling to serve the LORD, choose this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your ancestors served in the region beyond the River or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are living; but as for me and my household, we will serve the LORD."

¹⁶Then the people answered, "Far be it from us that we should forsake the LORD to serve other gods; ¹⁷for it is the LORD our God who brought us and our ancestors up from the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, and who did those great signs in our sight. He protected us along all the way that we went, and among all the peoples through whom we passed; ¹⁸and the LORD drove out before us all the peoples, the Amorites who lived in the land. Therefore we also will serve the LORD, for he is our God."

PSALM: Psalm 34:15-22

The eyes of the LORD are up- | on the righteous,*
and his ears are open | to their cry.

¹⁶The face of the LORD is against those | who do
evil,*

**to root out the remembrance of them | from
the earth.**

¹⁷The righteous cry, and | the LORD hears them*
and delivers them from | all their troubles.

¹⁸The LORD is near to the | brokenhearted*
**and will save those whose spir- | its are
crushed.**

¹⁹Many are the troubles | of the righteous,*
**but the LORD will deliver him out | of them
all.**

²⁰He will keep safe | all his bones;*
not one of them | shall be broken.

²¹Evil shall | slay the wicked,*
**and those who hate the righteous | will be
punished.**

²²The LORD ransoms the life | of his servants,*
**and none will be punished who | trust in
him.**

SECOND READING: Ephesians 6:10-20

Be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his
power. ¹¹Put on the whole armor of God, so that you
may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil.

¹²For our struggle is not against enemies of blood
and flesh, but against the rulers, against the
authorities, against the cosmic powers of this present
darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the
heavenly places. ¹³Therefore take up the whole armor

of God, so that you may be able to withstand on that
evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm.

¹⁴Stand therefore, and fasten the belt of truth around
your waist, and put on the breastplate of
righteousness. ¹⁵As shoes for your feet put on
whatever will make you ready to proclaim the gospel
of peace. ¹⁶With all of these, take the shield of faith,
with which you will be able to quench all the
flaming arrows of the evil one. ¹⁷Take the helmet of
salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the
word of God.

¹⁸Pray in the Spirit at all times in every prayer and
supplication. To that end keep alert and always
persevere in supplication for all the saints. ¹⁹Pray
also for me, so that when I speak, a message may be
given to me to make known with boldness the
mystery of the gospel, ²⁰for which I am an
ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it
boldly, as I must speak.

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+ GOSPEL: John 6:56-69

[Jesus said,] ⁵⁶ "Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. ⁵⁷Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. ⁵⁸This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever." ⁵⁹He said these things while he was teaching in the synagogue at Capernaum.

⁶⁰When many of his disciples heard it, they said, "This teaching is difficult; who can accept it?" ⁶¹But Jesus, being aware that his disciples were complaining about it, said to them, "Does this offend you? ⁶²Then what if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? ⁶³It is the spirit that gives life; the flesh is useless. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life. ⁶⁴But among you there are some who do not believe." For Jesus knew from the first who were the ones that did not believe, and who was the one that would betray him. ⁶⁵And he said, "For this reason I have told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted by the Father."

⁶⁶Because of this many of his disciples turned back and no longer went about with him. ⁶⁷So Jesus asked the twelve, "Do you also wish to go away?"

⁶⁸Simon Peter answered him, "Lord, to whom can we go? You have the words of eternal life. ⁶⁹We have come to believe and know that you are the Holy One of God."

Children's Sermon

Sermon

+Hymn of the Day

+Apostles' Creed: page 105

+Prayers of Intercession:

A With the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

A brief silence.

A For the church, wherein the Word of eternal life makes a home: that the Spirit will be known in all it does. Gracious God,

C **hear our prayer.**

A For the earth and its people: that the riches of creation will be cherished, cultural traditions will be honored, and the turmoil of nations will cease. Gracious God,

C **hear our prayer.**

A For those who hold power and wealth: that the welfare of wanderers, exiles, refugees, and children will move their hearts and bind their minds to God's will. Gracious God,

C **hear our prayer.**

A For all people in need (especially): that those without food will be filled with good things, that those without health will find comfort, and that those without safety will be clothed in God's grace.

Gracious God,

C **hear our prayer.**

A For this faith community: that the prayers of each of its members will bring stability and vigor to our common ministry. Gracious God,

C **hear our prayer.**

Here other intercessions may be offered.

A For the saints among us today and in the past, that our vision may be enriched by theirs. Gracious God,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Into your hands, O God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C **Amen**

+**Peace:** page 106

OFFERING

+**Offertory: hymn #182**

(Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful Lord)

+**Offertory Prayer** page 107

+**Great Thanksgiving** pages 107-108

+**Lord's Prayer:** page 112

Communion

+**Post Communion Hymn:** 313

+**Post Communion Prayer:** page 114

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Announcements and Blessings

+**Sending Hymn**

+**Dismissal:** page 115

+Please stand as you are able

Announcements:

- ⌚ Thank you to everyone who took the time to make our **Pampered Chef** Fund Raiser for Messiah's Building Fund a success and thanks to those who didn't need any Pampered Chef, but gave a donation for the fund raiser.
Thank you to Priscilla Hauser for being the perfect chef and donating part of your earnings to the Building Fund.
Thank you to the ladies of Messiah for setting up, providing the food for the party and cleaning up. We raised \$424 from our party and \$830 from donations for our building fund.
We can accomplish anything, when we work together! Jessie Pruszynski
- ⌚ St. Peter's is still collecting food for the local food bank. Please bring all non-perishable food items to the church.
- ⌚ The new Voter ID law requires a valid driver's license or passport to vote. For more information call 1-866-687-8683.
- ⌚ Happy Birthday to Stephen Shaffer, Marjorie Crist, Marsha Beard, Ryan Miller, Meagan Custer, Lisa Chamberlain, Judy Ickes and Margaret Domonkos.

Monthly Schedule

Outreach Sunday – 1st Sunday

St. Peter's WELCA meeting – 1st Sunday

Parish Council meeting – 2nd Sunday 7:00

Healing Hearts spousal bereavement support group –
2nd Wednesday 7:00 at St. Peter's

St. Peter's Council meeting - 3rd Monday

Comforting Friends – 3rd Tuesday, 7:00 at Trinity
Reformed Church, Osterburg

Messiah WELCA – 4th Tuesday

New Paris Food Bank
Pick up dates

MONDAY

September 17th

October 15th

November 12th

December 17th