

## Those for Whom We Pray

Jim Mock	Virginia Mock	Kalfas Family
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Sarah Pruszynski	Terry Fyock	Tommy Osman
Ed Figura	Colleen Figura	Maddie Letsche
Eva Miller	Jordan Delasko	Rick Vogelsberger
Tom Eschmann	Owen College	Tom Ritchey
Liam Norris	Landon Norris	Greathouse Family
Tom Shaffer	Linda Greathouse	Don Titmus
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Michelle Collier	Elizabeth	Betty May
Dick May	Eleanor Foor	Florence Zimmerman

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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.

December 2, 2012

### **FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT**

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## Prelude

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+Gathering Song:

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+Prayer of the Day:

☞ Stir up your power, O Lord, and come. Protect us by your strength and save us from the threatening dangers of our sins, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **C Amen**

## FIRST READING: Jeremiah 33:14-16

The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. <sup>15</sup>In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. <sup>16</sup>In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this is the name by which it will be called: "The LORD is our righteousness."

Lighting of Advent Candles: #257 stanza 1

## PSALM: Psalm 25:1-9

To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul; my God, I put my | trust in you;\*

**let me not be humiliated, nor let my enemies triumph | over me.**

<sup>2</sup>Let none who look to you be | put to shame;\*

**let the treacherous be disappointed | in their schemes.**

<sup>3</sup>Show me your | ways, O LORD,\*

**and teach | me your paths.**

<sup>4</sup>Lead me in your | truth and teach me,\*

**for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all | the day long.**

<sup>5</sup>Remember, O LORD, your compas- | sion and love,\*

**for they are from | everlasting.**

<sup>6</sup>Remember not the sins of my youth and | my transgressions;\*

**remember me according to your love and for the sake of your good- | ness, O LORD.**

<sup>7</sup>Gracious and upright | is the LORD;\*

**therefore he teaches sinners | in his way.**

<sup>8</sup>He guides the humble in | doing right\*

**and teaches his way | to the lowly.**

<sup>9</sup>All the paths of the LORD are | love and faithfulness\*

**to those who keep his covenant and his | testimonies.**

## **SECOND READING: 1 Thessalonians 3:9-13**

How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy that we feel before our God because of you? <sup>10</sup>Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you face to face and restore whatever is lacking in your faith.

<sup>11</sup>Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you. <sup>12</sup>And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we abound in love for you. <sup>13</sup>And may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

**Gospel Acclamation** pg. 102

## **+ GOSPEL: Luke 21:25-36**

[Jesus said:] <sup>25</sup>"There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. <sup>26</sup>People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. <sup>27</sup>Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in a cloud' with power and great glory. <sup>28</sup>Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near."

<sup>29</sup>Then he told them a parable: "Look at the fig tree and all the trees; <sup>30</sup>as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. <sup>31</sup>So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. <sup>32</sup>Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. <sup>33</sup>Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

<sup>34</sup>"Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day catch you unexpectedly, <sup>35</sup>like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. <sup>36</sup>Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man."

## **Children's Sermon**

### **Sermon**

**+Hymn of the Day**

**+Nicene Creed:** page 104

**+Prayers of Intercession:**

**A** With longing for the fullness of redemption, let us pray for the church, the world, and all people according to their needs.

*A brief silence.*

**A** For all the baptized, that our eyes may be alert to Christ's presence, and our hearts make a home for his word: God of hopefulness,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**A** For leaders of government, and especially those newly elected, that they may walk humbly with God, doing justice and loving kindness: God of hopefulness,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**A** For those who, like Francis Xavier, have spread the gospel to people in distant lands: God of hopefulness,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**A** For those who are sick and for those recovering from illness (*especially*), that they may know the healing love of Christ: God of hopefulness,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**A** For our guests at worship, that the grace and love of Jesus Christ may keep them now and in the coming week: God of hopefulness,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

*Here other intercessions may be offered.*

**A** In thankfulness for loved ones and all who have gone before us, with whom we await the great heavenly feast: God of hopefulness,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** God of salvation, hear the prayers we make in the name of Jesus Christ, whose coming is certain and whose day draws near.

**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:**

- ⌚ Parish Council meeting at 6:00, tonight at St. Peter's to deal with the Parish budget.
- ⌚ From Pastor Donna:  
There is no cell phone reception in the parsonage, I don't use the phone when driving or visiting. Please use the home number (276-3036) for messages.  
Pastor Donna will be off duty during the weeks of Dec. 4 and Dec. 18 (weekdays only). Dug will be taking calls and will arrange coverage as needed.
- ⌚ Messiah WELCA Christmas party Wednesday, December 5<sup>th</sup>, noon at the church. Bring a covered dish. No gifts, please bring a non-perishable food item or monetary donation for the Bedford County food bank. Everyone is welcome.
- ⌚ Parish Children's Christmas program Dec. 16<sup>th</sup>, 7 p.m. at St. Peter's. Practice 7:00 every Sunday, at St. Peter's.
- ⌚ Happy Birthday to Constance Ickes, Byron Draeger, Erica Antonson, Doris Draeger, Joann Hammond, Crystal Musselman, Addison Grace Osman, Connie Bixel and Roy Claycomb.

## Monthly Schedule

St. Peter's Bible Study every Tuesday or Thursday  
10-noon at Mary Kay Osman's

Outreach Sunday – 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday

St. Peter's WELCA meeting – 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday

Parish Council meeting – 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday 7:00

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

St. Peter's Council meeting - 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday

Comforting Friends – 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday, 7:00 at Trinity  
Reformed Church, Osterburg

Messiah WELCA – 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday

### **Please Mark Your Calendar**

Future **blood drives** at St. Peter's are scheduled for  
**December 5<sup>th</sup>** and **January 30<sup>th</sup>** from **12-6PM**.  
Volunteers are always needed.

St. Peter's ladies will hold their annual **Christmas party** on **Thursday, December 6, at 6PM** at the church. **We have moved the party to Thursday night because of the Bloodmobile on Wednesday.**

All women of the church are invited. It will be a covered dish supper. 2012 Secret Sisters will exchange cards to reveal themselves, and new 2013 Secret Sisters will be assigned. Bring a \$5 donation of items for Pennknoll residents – lotion, tissues, shampoo, etc. Entertainment will be provided! We will also be filling Christmas Stockings for the children. Anyone who would like to bring treats for the children please bring them to the church by December 2<sup>nd</sup>. We will be doing 20 stockings.

St. Peter's **Christmas brunch** will be held on **Sunday, December 9<sup>th</sup>**, immediately after the church service. The ladies will provide the food, and a free will offering basket will be available. The Women's Group will match the donations up to \$200; this money will be given to the general fund for the upkeep of the church.

**The Parish Children's Christmas Program** was a huge success last year, and this year's program is planned for December 16, Sunday at 7PM at St. Peter's. A family fellowship time will immediately follow. All children are welcome to participate. Practices are 7:00 every Sunday at St. Peter's.

New Paris Food Bank  
Pick up date  
MONDAY December 17<sup>th</sup>

