

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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FOURTH SUNDAY IN ADVENT

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Prelude

+Confession and Forgiveness: page 94

+Gathering Song:

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+Prayer of the Day: **℟** Stir up your power, Lord Christ, and come. With your abundant grace and might, free us from the sin that binds us, that we may receive you in joy and serve you always, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen**

FIRST READING: Micah 5:2-5a

But you, O Bethlehem of Ephrathah, who are one of the little clans of Judah, from you shall come forth for me one who is to rule in Israel, whose origin is from of old, from ancient days.

³Therefore he shall give them up until the time when she who is in labor has brought forth; then the rest of his kindred shall return to the people of Israel.

⁴And he shall stand and feed his flock in the strength of the LORD,

in the majesty of the name of the LORD his God. And they shall live secure, for now he shall be great to the ends of the earth;

⁵and he shall be the one of peace.

Lighting of Advent Candles: #257 stanza 4

PSALM 80:1-7

Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, leading Joseph | like a flock;*

shine forth, you that are enthroned up- | on the cherubim.

²In the presence of Ephraim, Benjamin, | and Manasseh,*

stir up your strength and | come to help us.

³Restore us, O | God of hosts;*

show the light of your countenance, and we | shall be saved.

⁴O LORD | God of hosts,*

how long will you be angered despite the prayers | of your people?

⁵You have fed them with the | bread of tears;*

you have given them bowls of | tears to drink.

⁶You have made us the derision | of our neighbors,*
and our enemies laugh | us to scorn.

⁷Restore us, O | God of hosts;*

show the light of your countenance, and we | shall be saved.

SECOND READING: Hebrews 10:5-10

Consequently, when Christ came into the world, he said,

"Sacrifices and offerings you have not desired,
but a body you have prepared for me;
⁶in burnt offerings and sin offerings
you have taken no pleasure.

⁷Then I said, 'See, God, I have come to do your will, O God'

(in the scroll of the book it is written of me)."

⁸When he said above, "You have neither desired nor taken pleasure in sacrifices and offerings and burnt offerings and sin offerings" (these are offered according to the law), ⁹then he added, "See, I have come to do your will." He abolishes the first in order to establish the second. ¹⁰And it is by God's will that we have been sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.

Gospel Acclamation pg. 102

+ GOSPEL: Luke 1:39-45 [46-55]

In those days Mary set out and went with haste to a Judean town in the hill country, ⁴⁰where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth.

⁴¹When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leaped in her womb. And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit ⁴²and exclaimed with a loud cry, "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb.

⁴³And why has this happened to me that the mother of my Lord comes to me? ⁴⁴For as soon as I heard the sound of your greeting, the child in my womb leaped for joy. ⁴⁵And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfillment of what was spoken to her by the Lord."

⁴⁶And Mary said,

"My soul magnifies the Lord,

⁴⁷and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior,

⁴⁸for he has looked with favor on the lowliness of his servant.

Surely, from now on all generations will call me blessed; ⁴⁹for the Mighty One has done great things for me, and holy is his name.

⁵⁰His mercy is for those who fear him
from generation to generation.

⁵¹He has shown strength with his arm;

he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts.

⁵²He has brought down the powerful from their thrones,

and lifted up the lowly;

⁵³he has filled the hungry with good things,
and sent the rich away empty.

⁵⁴He has helped his servant Israel,
in remembrance of his mercy,

⁵⁵according to the promise he made to our ancestors,

to Abraham and to his descendants forever."

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 the church in every place, that with Mary and Elizabeth we would be prepared for your arrival into our lives: God of hopefulness,

C **hear our prayer.**

A For peace among nations, and especially for peacekeeping forces serving in regions of conflict (*names*), that human divisions might be overcome: God of hopefulness,

C **hear our prayer.**

A For those who are poor and homeless in our community, that the church may assist them in meeting their needs: God of hopefulness,

C **hear our prayer.**

A For the sick and all who suffer (*especially*), that they might find relief: God of hopefulness,

C **hear our prayer.**

A For greeters and readers, for ushers and nursery keepers, and for all whose serving enables our praise today we give thanks: God of hopefulness,

C **hear our prayer.**

Here other intercessions may be offered.

A We remember those who have died and are at rest in your arms of mercy. Bring us with them to joyous life in your presence: 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**

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OFFERING

+Offertory: hymn #182

(Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful Lord)

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Communion

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Announcements and Blessings

+**Sending Hymn**

+**Dismissal:** page 115

+Please stand as you are able

Announcements:

- 🕒 Christmas Eve services
Messiah – 6:00 p.m.
St. Peter's – 8:30 p.m.
- 🕒 One of the poinsettias at the front of the sanctuary is given in memory of the wedding anniversary of Ray & Catherine Sellers who were married Dec. 22, 1928. Given by Gary & Anna Belle Sellers and Don & Ruby Lough.
- 🕒 Future **blood drive** at St. Peter's is scheduled for **January 30th** from **12-6PM**. Volunteers are always needed.
- 🕒 Happy Birthday to Pat Clemson, Magaly Ickes, Mike Peterson, Kevin Young, Adam Osman, Charles Maxwell Jr. Nikolas Custer and Deborah Winesickle

Parish Office Hours for the next TWO weeks:

Tuesday, Dec. 25th CLOSED

Thursday, Dec. 27th – 9-2:30

Tuesday, Jan. 1st CLOSED

Thursday, Jan. 3rd – 9-2:30

Monthly Schedule

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

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