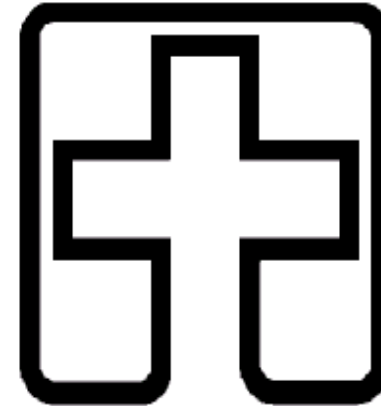


### **Those for Whom We Pray**

Virginia Mock	Kalfas Family	Sarah Pruszynski
Terry Fyock	Tommy Osman	Ed Figura
Colleen Figura	Maddie Letsche	Eva Miller
Rick Vogelsberger	Tom Eschmann	Tom Shaffer
Linda Greathouse	Betty Hoagland	Jaden Brown
Gloria Geisel	Carol Greathouse	Bro Greathouse
Peg Henry	Sherrri Nicodemus	Bobby Mellott
Gloria Carter	MarianneWindows	John Will Family
Christy Buchanan	Chris Zeigler	Carol Cessna
Roger Beutman	June Schwirian	Mary Brady
Sally Ross	Carrie College	Walter Mellott
Jeff Whisel	Ulrich Family	John Hillegas
Marie Coghlan	Chris Mindala	Mark Yoder
Debbie Winesickle		



### **Serving in the Military:**

Nathan Custer	Jeremy Boyce	Jason Browne
Lela Browne	David Custer	Kristin Custer
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Dustin Bingham	Kevin Dively	Jacoby Brady
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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

St. Peter's  
at St. Clairsville - 9:00 a.m.

**WELCOME VISITORS!**

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

December 1, 2013

### **FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

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## Gathering

### Prelude

#### +Brief Order for Confession and Forgiveness:

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#### +Opening Hymn:

#559 Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

#### +Greeting: page 57

#### +Kyrie: page 57

#### +Salutation: page 62

#### +Prayer of the Day:

P Stir up your power, Lord Christ, and come. By your merciful protection save us from the threatening dangers of our sins, and enlighten our walk in the way of your salvation, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C Amen**

### FIRST READING: Isaiah 2:1-5

The word that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem.

<sup>2</sup>In days to come

the mountain of the LORD's house shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be raised above the hills; all the nations shall stream to it.

<sup>3</sup>Many peoples shall come and say, "Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob; that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths."

For out of Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.

<sup>4</sup>He shall judge between the nations, and shall arbitrate for many peoples; they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more.

<sup>5</sup>O house of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the LORD!

### Lighting of Advent Candle: #34 stanza 1

Oh Come, Oh Come, Emmanuel

## **PSALM: Psalm 122**

I was glad when they said to me,\*

**"Let us go to the house of the LORD."**

<sup>2</sup>Now our feet are standing\*

**within your gates, O Jerusalem.**

<sup>3</sup>Jerusalem is built as a city\*

**that is at unity with itself;**

<sup>4</sup>to which the tribes go up, the tribes of the LORD,\*

**the assembly of Israel, to praise the name of the LORD.**

<sup>5</sup>For there are the thrones of judgment,\*

**the thrones of the house of David.**

<sup>6</sup>Pray for the peace of Jerusalem:\*

**"May they prosper who love you.**

<sup>7</sup>Peace be within your walls\*

**and quietness within your towers.**

<sup>8</sup>For my brethren and companions' sake,\*

**I pray for your prosperity.**

<sup>9</sup>Because of the house of the LORD our God,\*

**I will seek to do you good."**

## **SECOND READING: Romans 13:11-14**

Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; <sup>12</sup>the night is far gone, the day is near.

Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; <sup>13</sup>let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. <sup>14</sup>Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

+Verse: page 62

## **+Gospel: Matthew 24:36-44**

Jesus said to the disciples, "About that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. <sup>37</sup>For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. <sup>38</sup>For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark, <sup>39</sup>and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so too will be the coming of the Son of Man. <sup>40</sup>Then two will be in the field; one will be taken and one will be left. <sup>41</sup>Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken and one will be left. <sup>42</sup>Keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. <sup>43</sup>But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. <sup>44</sup>Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour."

## Children's Sermon

### Sermon

+Hymn of the Day #32 Fling Wide the Door

+Apostles' Creed: page 65

#### +Prayers:

A Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

*A brief silence.*

A Let us pray for the church, that as the Advent candles glow more brightly, our hearts may be awakened to see the unity we share with Christians of every land and tongue who proclaim Emmanuel, God with us. O giver of hope,

**C hear our prayer.**

A Let us pray for the nations of the world, that where nation lifts up sword against nation, a new day will dawn and peace will reign. O giver of hope,

**C hear our prayer.**

A Let us pray for those who labor in the night. We give thanks for the work of health care professionals, law officers, firefighters, emergency dispatchers, and all who serve while we sleep. O giver of hope,

**C hear our prayer.**

A Let us pray for all who are ill or in special need (*especially*). We give thanks for all who bring them joy, especially those who take communion to the homebound, those who visit the sick, and those who volunteer in outreach ministries. O giver of hope,

**C hear our prayer.**

A Let us pray for this assembly, that in our faith, in our worship, and in our deeds of love we may be awake to the coming of our Savior. O giver of hope,

**C hear our prayer.**

*Here other intercessions may be offered.*

A Let us give thanks for the witness of those faithful servants whose earthly life has ended (*especially*), and ask that we may be kept in fellowship with them now and to eternity. O giver of hope,

**C hear our prayer.**

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

+Peace: page 66

## OFFERING

+Offertory: page 66

+Offertory Prayer page 67

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## Communion

+Post Communion Canticle:  
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+Sending Hymn:  
#315 Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

+Dismissal: page 74

## Postlude

+Please stand as you are able

## Announcements:

- The Lutheran World Relief quilts & health kits are being sent to the Philippines.
- Worship with Holy Communion Schedule:  
Sundays at St. Peter's at 9:00am, at Messiah at 10:30am, and Wednesday evening at 5:30pm at St. Peter's. Sunday School classes meet at Messiah at 9:30am and at St. Peter's at 10:15am.
- Practice for the Christmas program 6:00 tonight at St. Peter's.
- Bedford Hoss's fundraiser to benefit Mark Yoder Family today. Tickets are in each church.
- St. Peter's WELCA Christmas party is December 4<sup>th</sup> at 6:00. Please bring a personal care item for residents of Carroll's Rest Home. Covered dish.
- St. Peter's Christmas Brunch (provided by ladies group; donations accepted & will be matched up to \$300 by the ladies to go to the General Fund) immediately after church December 8<sup>th</sup>.
- Donations of treats for children's Christmas stockings are due by Sunday, December 15<sup>th</sup>.
- Children's Christmas program is Sunday, December 22<sup>nd</sup>, 6:00 at St. Peter's.

- Christmas Eve service December 24<sup>th</sup> 6 p.m. at Messiah and 8:30 p.m. at St. Peter's.
- There will be **NO Quiet Hour** service on Wednesday, Dec. 25<sup>th</sup> & Jan. 1<sup>st</sup>.
- Happy Birthday to Ladonna Miller, Byron Draeger, Erica Antonson, Doris Draeger, Joann Hammond, Crystal Musselman, Addison Grace Osman and Connie Biselx.

Non-perishable food items will be delivered to New Paris food bank on Monday December 16.

### **Bloodmobile at St. Peter's Dates for 2014**

January 15<sup>th</sup>

March 26<sup>th</sup>

May 28<sup>th</sup>

July 23<sup>rd</sup>

Please mark your calendars.  
We need donors & volunteers  
to keep this a successful bloodmobile.

### **Monthly Schedule**

#### **NEW WORSHIP SERVICE SCHEDULED**

Every Wednesday evening "Quiet Hour" service of Holy Communion will be celebrated in the sanctuary of St. Peter's at 5:30 p.m.

Souper Wednesday - 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday 6:00pm  
at St. Peter's

St. Peter's Bible Study every 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  
after the service

Parish Council meeting – 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday 7:00  
(odd months only 3,5,7...)

St. Peter's Council meeting - 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday 7:00

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

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