

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

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Roger Beutman	June Schwirian	Mary Brady
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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 8, 2013

### **SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

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## Prelude

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

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+**Opening Hymn:**

+**Greeting:** page 98

+**Kyrie:** page 98

+**Prayer of the Day:**

P Stir up our hearts, Lord God, to prepare the way of your only Son. By his coming nurture our growth as people of repentance and peace; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen

**FIRST READING: Isaiah 11:1-10**

A shoot shall come out from the stump of Jesse,  
and a branch shall grow out of his roots.

<sup>2</sup>The spirit of the LORD shall rest on him,  
the spirit of wisdom and understanding,  
the spirit of counsel and might,  
the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD.

<sup>3</sup>His delight shall be in the fear of the LORD.

He shall not judge by what his eyes see,  
or decide by what his ears hear;

<sup>4</sup>but with righteousness he shall judge the poor,  
and decide with equity for the meek of the earth;

he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth,  
and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked.

<sup>5</sup>Righteousness shall be the belt around his waist,  
and faithfulness the belt around his loins.

<sup>6</sup>The wolf shall live with the lamb,  
the leopard shall lie down with the kid,  
the calf and the lion and the fatling together,  
and a little child shall lead them.

<sup>7</sup>The cow and the bear shall graze,  
their young shall lie down together;  
and the lion shall eat straw like the ox.

<sup>8</sup>The nursing child shall play over the hole of the asp,  
and the weaned child shall put its hand on the adder's den.

<sup>9</sup>They will not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain;

for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the LORD

as the waters cover the sea.

<sup>10</sup>On that day the root of Jesse shall stand as a signal to the peoples;

the nations shall inquire of him,  
and his dwelling shall be glorious.

**Lighting of Advent Candle: #257 stanza 2**

**PSALM: Psalm 72:1-7, 18-19**

Give the king your justice, O God,\*

**and your righteousness to the king's son;**

<sup>2</sup>that he may rule your people righteously\*

**and the poor with justice;**

<sup>3</sup>that the mountains may bring prosperity to the people,\*

**and the little hills bring righteousness.**

<sup>4</sup>He shall defend the needy among the people;\*

**he shall rescue the poor and crush the oppressor.**

<sup>5</sup>He shall live as long as the sun and moon endure,\*

**from one generation to another.**

<sup>6</sup>He shall come down like rain upon the mown field,\*

**like showers that water the earth.**

<sup>7</sup>In his time shall the righteous flourish;\*

**there shall be abundance of peace till the moon shall be no more.**

<sup>18</sup>Blessed be the Lord GOD, the God of Israel,\*

**who alone does wondrous deeds!**

<sup>19</sup>And blessed be his glorious name forever,\*

**and may all the earth be filled with his glory. Amen. Amen.**

**SECOND READING: Romans 15:4-13**

Whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, so that by steadfastness and by the encouragement of the scriptures we might have hope. <sup>5</sup>May the God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus, <sup>6</sup>so that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

<sup>7</sup>Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. <sup>8</sup>For I tell you that Christ has become a servant of the circumcised on behalf of the truth of God in order that he might confirm the promises given to the patriarchs, <sup>9</sup>and in order that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written,

"Therefore I will confess you among the Gentiles, and sing praises to your name";

<sup>10</sup>and again he says,

"Rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people";

<sup>11</sup>and again, "Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles, and let all the peoples praise him";

<sup>12</sup>and again Isaiah says, "The root of Jesse shall come, the one who rises to rule the Gentiles; in him the Gentiles shall hope."

<sup>13</sup>May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

**+Gospel Acclamation: page 102**

## +Gospel: Matthew 3:1-12

In those days John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness of Judea, proclaiming, <sup>2</sup>"Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near." <sup>3</sup>This is the one of whom the prophet Isaiah spoke when he said,

"The voice of one crying out in the wilderness:

'Prepare the way of the Lord,  
make his paths straight.' "

<sup>4</sup>Now John wore clothing of camel's hair with a leather belt around his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey. <sup>5</sup>Then the people of Jerusalem and all Judea were going out to him, and all the region along the Jordan, <sup>6</sup>and they were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins.

<sup>7</sup>But when he saw many Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism, he said to them, "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? <sup>8</sup>Bear fruit worthy of repentance. <sup>9</sup>Do not presume to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our ancestor'; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. <sup>10</sup>Even now the ax is lying at the root of the trees; every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.

<sup>11</sup>"I baptize you with water for repentance, but one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize

you with the Holy Spirit and fire. <sup>12</sup>His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor and will gather his wheat into the granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

## Children's Sermon

### Sermon

### +Hymn of the Day

+Apostles' Creed: page 105

### +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 Prepare the church for your coming, gracious God. Inspire the whole church, in all of its marvelous diversity, to remain united in our common mission of proclaiming the love of Christ. O giver of hope,

C **hear our prayer.**

A Prepare the nations for your coming, gracious God. Enlighten the world's leadership to strive toward a vision of peace, where the wolf shall live with the lamb. O giver of hope,

C **hear our prayer.**

A Prepare those who are outcast for your coming, gracious God. Shine the beacon of your hope on those who are lonely and forgotten, and who are victims of violence and injustice, that they too may know your joy. O giver of hope,

C **hear our prayer.**

A Prepare those who suffer for your coming, gracious God. Encircle those who are ill with a mantle of healing and hope (*especially*). O giver of hope,

C **hear our prayer.**

A Prepare this community of faith for your coming, gracious God. Empower us to embody Christ's presence through our care for those who are less fortunate than ourselves. O giver of hope,

C **hear our prayer.**

*Here other intercessions may be offered.*

A Prepare our hearts for your coming, gracious God. Keep us in unity with those who have died in the faith (*especially*) and who now rest in the joy and peace of your presence. 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 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 Canticle:**

#313 O Lord, Now Let Your Servant

+**Post Communion Prayer:** page 114

+**Benediction:** page 114

## **Announcements and Blessings**

+**Sending Hymn**

+**Dismissal:** page 115

## **Postlude**

+Please stand as you are able

## Announcements:

- Messiah's November financial statement:  
Income \$3,986  
Expenses 3,397  
Year to date over budget by \$2,128
- 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.
- 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 Roy Claycomb, Denise Kagarise and Ernie Draeger.
- Happy Anniversary to David & Lynda Miller.

Non-perishable food items are being collected at St. Peter's and will be delivered to New Paris food bank on Monday December 16

## 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 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday 6:00

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

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

**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