

Those for Whom We Pray

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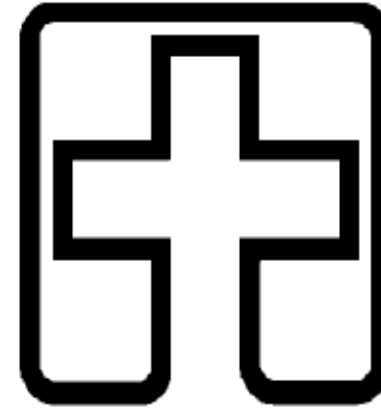
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St. Clairsville Lutheran Parish

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

WELCOME VISITORS!

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

December 22, 2013

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

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Gathering

Prelude

+**Brief Order for Confession and Forgiveness:**
page 56

+**Opening Hymn:**
#30 Come Thou Long-Expected Jesus

+**Greeting:** page 57

+**Kyrie:** page 57

+**Salutation:** page 62

+**Prayer of the Day:**

P Stir up your power, Lord Christ, and come.
With your abundant grace and might, free us from
the sin that hinders our faith, that eagerly we may
receive your promises, for you live and reign with
the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and
forever.

C Amen

FIRST READING: Isaiah 7:10-16

The LORD spoke to Ahaz, saying, ¹¹Ask a sign of the LORD your God; let it be deep as Sheol or high as heaven. ¹²But Ahaz said, I will not ask, and I will not put the LORD to the test. ¹³Then Isaiah said: "Hear then, O house of David! Is it too little for you to weary mortals, that you weary my God also? ¹⁴Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign. Look, the young woman is with child and shall bear a son, and shall name him Immanuel. ¹⁵He shall eat curds and honey by the time he knows how to refuse the evil and choose the good. ¹⁶For before the child knows how to refuse the evil and choose the good, the land before whose two kings you are in dread will be deserted."

Lighting of Advent Candle: #34 stanza 4

Oh Come, Oh Come, Emmanuel

PSALM: Psalm 80:1-7, 16-18

Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, leading Joseph like a flock;* **shine forth, you that are enthroned upon 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.

¹⁶Let your hand be upon the man of your right hand,*

the son of man you have made so strong for yourself.

¹⁷And so will we never turn away from you;*

give us life, that we may call upon your name.

¹⁸Restore us, O LORD God of hosts;*

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

SECOND READING: Romans 1:1-7

Paul, a servant of Jesus Christ, called to be an apostle, set apart for the gospel of God, ²which he promised beforehand through his prophets in the holy scriptures, ³the gospel concerning his Son, who was descended from David according to the flesh ⁴and was declared to be Son of God with power according to the spirit of holiness by resurrection from the dead, Jesus Christ our Lord, ⁵through whom we have received grace and apostleship to bring about the obedience of faith among all the Gentiles for the sake of his name, ⁶including yourselves who are called to belong to Jesus Christ,

⁷To all God's beloved in Rome, who are called to be saints: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

+Verse: page 62

+Gospel: Matthew 1:18-25

Now the birth of Jesus the Messiah took place in this way. When his mother Mary had been engaged to Joseph, but before they lived together, she was found to be with child from the Holy Spirit. ¹⁹Her husband Joseph, being a righteous man and unwilling to expose her to public disgrace, planned to dismiss her quietly. ²⁰But just when he had resolved to do this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, "Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife, for the child conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. ²¹She will bear a son, and you are to name him Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins." ²²All this took place to fulfill what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet:

²³"Look, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall name him Emmanuel," which means, "God is with us."

²⁴When Joseph awoke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him; he took her as his wife, ²⁵but had no marital relations with her until she had borne a son; and he named him Jesus.

Children's Sermon

Sermon

+Hymn of the Day

#415 God of Grace and God of Glory

+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 O Wisdom, come! Fill us with your presence, that the church everywhere may taste Christ's presence in word proclaimed, bread broken, and wine poured. O giver of hope,

C **hear our prayer.**

A O Ruler of nations, come! Unite the peoples of every continent so that hatred and division may be no more. Teach our world's leaders the ways of peace. O giver of hope,

C **hear our prayer.**

A O Lord of might, come! Fill us all with respect for your law and even greater love for your grace, that like Joseph we may treat others with the same mercy we receive from you. O giver of hope,

C **hear our prayer.**

A O Dayspring, come! Remind all who endure the nighttime of suffering that the day of your love and care dawns upon us. Comfort all who wait for healing and hope (*especially*). O giver of hope,

C **hear our prayer.**

A O Key of David, come! Open wide the doors of this congregation, that all may be welcomed with warmth and hospitality. O giver of hope,

C **hear our prayer.**

Here other intercessions may be offered.

A O Emmanuel, come! Fill us with the undying hope that comes to all who know that God is with us. We give thanks for the faithful saints who now dwell in God's presence forever (*especially*). 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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+**Lord's Prayer:** page 71

Communion

+**Post Communion Canticle:**

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Announcements and Blessings

+**Sending Hymn:**

#71 Angels We Have Heard on High

+**Dismissal:** page 74

Postlude

+Please stand as you are able

Announcements:

- The offering for December 8th was \$1,202.
- 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.
- Children's Christmas program is 6:00 tonight at St. Peter's.
- Christmas Eve service December 24th 6 p.m. at Messiah and 8:30 p.m. at St. Peter's.
- There will be **NO Quiet Hour** service on Wednesday, Dec. 25th & Jan. 1st.
- Sunday, January 5th, during the service, St. Peter's will have Installation of Council members & Steward of Acolytes.
- Happy Birthday to Pat Clemson, Magaly Ickes, Mike Peterson, Kevin Young, Adam Osman and Charles Maxwell Jr.
- Happy Anniversary to Galen & Tina Henderson and Dean & Kathy Claycomb.

Parish Office Hours for one week only:

Monday, December 23rd, 9-2:30

**Closed, Tuesday, December 24th
and Thursday, December 26th**

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 - 3rd Wednesday 6:00pm
at St. Peter's

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

Outreach Sunday – 1st Sunday

St. Peter's WELCA meeting – 1st Sunday
after the service

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

St. Peter's Council meeting – 2nd Sunday 6:00

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

Messiah WELCA – 4th Tuesday

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

January 15th

March 26th

May 28th

July 23rd

Please mark your calendars.

We need donors & volunteers
to keep this a successful bloodmobile.