

Those for Whom We Pray

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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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+Song of Praise #848

+Prayer of the Day:

P O God of justice and love, you illumine our way through life with the words of your Son. Give us the light we need, and awaken us to the needs of others, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **C**

Amen

FIRST READING: Joshua 24:1-3a, 14-25

1 Then Joshua assembled all the tribes of Israel at Shechem. He summoned the elders, leaders, judges and officials of Israel, and they presented themselves before God. 2 Joshua said to all the people, "This is what the LORD, the God of Israel, says: 'Long ago your forefathers, including Terah the father of Abraham and Nahor, lived beyond the River and worshiped other gods. 3 But I took your father Abraham from the land beyond the River and led

him throughout Canaan and gave him many descendants.

14 "Now fear the LORD and serve him with all faithfulness. Throw away the gods your forefathers worshiped beyond the River and in Egypt, and serve the LORD. 15 But if serving the LORD seems undesirable to you, then choose for yourselves this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your forefathers served beyond the River, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land you are living. But as for me and my household, we will serve the LORD." 16 Then the people answered, "Far be it from us to forsake the LORD to serve other gods! 17 It was the LORD our God himself who brought us and our fathers up out of Egypt, from that land of slavery, and performed those great signs before our eyes. He protected us on our entire journey and among all the nations through which we traveled. 18 And the LORD drove out before us all the nations, including the Amorites, who lived in the land. We too will serve the LORD, because he is our God." 19 Joshua said to the people, "You are not able to serve the LORD. He is a holy God; he is a jealous God. He will not forgive your rebellion and your sins. 20 If you forsake the LORD and serve foreign gods, he will turn and bring disaster on you and make an end of you, after he has been good to you." 21 But the people said to Joshua, "No! We will serve the LORD." 22 Then Joshua said, "You are witnesses

against yourselves that you have chosen to serve the LORD." "Yes, we are witnesses," they replied.

23 "Now then," said Joshua, "throw away the foreign gods that are among you and yield your hearts to the LORD, the God of Israel." 24 And the people said to Joshua, "We will serve the LORD our God and obey him." 25 On that day Joshua made a covenant for the people, and there at Shechem he drew up for them decrees and laws.

PSALM: Psalm 70

Be pleased, O God, to deliver me;*

O LORD, make haste to help me.

²Let those who seek my life be ashamed and altogether dismayed;*

let those who take pleasure in my misfortune draw back and be disgraced.

³Let those who say to me "Aha!" and gloat over me turn back,*

because they are ashamed.

⁴Let all who seek you rejoice and be glad in you;*

let those who love your salvation say forever, "Great is the LORD!"

⁵But as for me, I am poor and needy;*

come to me speedily, O God.

⁶You are my helper and my deliverer;*

O LORD, do not tarry.

SECOND READING: 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

We do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, about those who have died, so that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. ¹⁴For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died. ¹⁵For this we declare to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will by no means precede those who have died. ¹⁶For the Lord himself, with a cry of command, with the archangel's call and with the sound of God's trumpet, will descend from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. ¹⁷Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up in the clouds together with them to meet the Lord in the air; and so we will be with the Lord forever.

¹⁸Therefore encourage one another with these words.

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+**GOSPEL: Matthew 25:1-13**

Jesus said to the disciples: "Then the kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. ²Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. ³When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them;

⁴but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. ⁵As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. ⁶But at midnight there was a shout, 'Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.'

⁷Then all those bridesmaids got up and trimmed their lamps. ⁸The foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' ⁹But the wise replied, 'No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves.' ¹⁰And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet; and the door was shut. ¹¹Later the other bridesmaids came also, saying, 'Lord, lord, open to us.' ¹²But he replied, 'Truly I tell you, I do not know you.' ¹³Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour."

Children's Sermon

Sermon

+Hymn of the Day

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+Prayers:

A Lord Lord God Almighty, as you intervene in the affairs of nations, because you care what nations do, guard and protect us from one another.

Loving God, you hear our prayers:

C You live among us.

A Heavenly Father, simple love between Ruth and Naomi is used by you for greater purposes. No one but you could know that Ruth would be King David's grandmother! Help us believe in your providence.

Loving God, you hear our prayers:

C You live among us.

A Holy Spirit, one God, as we rely on you alone for justice, mercy and truth in this world, hear our praise for your goodness. Loving God, you hear our prayers:

C You live among us.

A Lord Jesus Christ, high priest, in the very presence of God in heaven on our behalf, we eagerly wait for your return with salvation in hand. Loving God, you hear our prayers: **C You live among us.**

A Lord Jesus Christ, like the widow in the temple who gave all she had, inspire us to give without worry about the worthiness of churches, states,

institutions or individuals. Receive our gifts as love offerings.

Loving God, you hear our prayers:

C You live among us.

A Have mercy on all whom we name in prayer, O Lord. You alone know what is best for each: _____.

Loving God, you hear our prayers:

C You live among us.

P The love of God has won. The new life has begun.

C Amen.

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OFFERING

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Announcements:

Next Sunday November 16th Judges 4:1-7, Psalm 90:1-12, 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11, Matthew 25:14-30

- **Worship with Holy Communion Schedule:**
Sundays at St. Peter's at 9:00am, at Messiah at 10:30am. Sunday School classes meet at Messiah at 9:30am and at St. Peter's at 10:15am.
- If you would like Communion on Wednesday evening, please contact Pastor Donna by noon that day at 276-3036.
- Singers, actors, and actresses needed! Practice for the children's Christmas play will begin Sunday, Nov. 16th from 2 p.m. –3 p. m. at St. Peter's. There will be practice every Sunday afternoon till Dec. 21st. The performance will be at St. Peter's Sun. Dec. 28th at 7p.m. Cookies and punch will be served immediately

afterwards. Santa will also make a visit. All interested, please join us Sun. Nov. 16th from 2-3 p.m.

- Messiah is taking donations of non-perishable items to donate to the Bedford Food Bank from now till a week before Christmas. We know that with the holidays coming that everyone can use a helping hand. God calls us to reach out and help our neighbors.
- Messiah has purchased supplies for health kits. If you would like to donate money towards the kits, please give the money to Ruby.
- Messiah WELCA is selling Tastefully Simple. Orders are due November 30th to Christine.
- Happy Birthday to Christine Frazier, Paul Hengst, Robert Way and Cena Musselman.
- Happy Anniversary to Steve & Diane Feather.

Non-perishable food items are being collected at St. Peter's and will be delivered to New Paris food bank on the following Mondays.

November 17 December 15

**Bloodmobile at St. Peter's
December 3rd 12:30-6**

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

Monthly Schedule

Every Wednesday evening "Quiet Hour" service of Holy Communion will be celebrated in the sanctuary of St. Peter's at 5:30 p.m. Contact Pastor Donna by noon on Wednesday if you want Communion that evening 276-3036.

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

Exercise Fellowship Group –

Monday - Regular Exercise 6:30-7:30PM

Tuesday - Very Gentle Exercise 1-1:40PM

Thursday - Gentle Exercise 6PM & Regular Exercise 6:30-
7:30PM at St. Peter's