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Eva Miller	Tom Eschmann	Tom Shaffer
Linda Greathouse	Betty Hoagland	Jaden Brown
Peg Henry	June Schwirian	Marie Coghlan
Chris Mindala	Sue Weyant	Dawn Ickes
Ben Greathouse	Kitty Swaynos	Ted Figura
Mike Horowitz	Evonne Horowitz	Carl Coghlan
Shirley Lashinsky	Debbie Winesickle	Clarence Park
Dalton Rogers	Unspoken	Harold Hengst
Lynn	Mitch Carr	Christina Claycomb
Ed & Carol Shields	Jim Vincent	Gladys Brown
Steve Domonkos Jr.	Denise Fleck	Laura Fleck
Pam Shaffer		

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#### St. Clairsville Lutheran Parish

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

#### WELCOME VISITORS! We're glad to have you worship with us today.

March 15, 2015

#### FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

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#### Prelude

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## +Opening Hymn:

#250 Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty

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## +Prayer of the Day:

**P** O God, rich in mercy, by the humiliation of your Son you lifted up this fallen world and rescued us from the hopelessness of death. Lead us into your light, that all our deeds may reflect your love, 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: 2 Samuel 7:1-15a

7 Now when the king was settled in his house, and the LORD had given him rest from all his enemies around him, <sup>2</sup> the king said to the prophet Nathan, "See now, I am living in a house of cedar, but the ark of God stays in a tent." <sup>3</sup>Nathan said to the king, "Go, do all that you have in mind; for the LORD is with you."

<sup>4</sup>But that same night the word of the LORD came to Nathan: <sup>5</sup>Go and tell my servant David: Thus says the LORD: Are you the one to build me a house to live in? <sup>6</sup>I have not lived in a house since the day I brought up the people of Israel from Egypt to this day, but I have been moving about in a tent and a tabernacle. <sup>7</sup>Wherever I have moved about among all the people of Israel, did I ever speak a word with any of the tribal leaders<sup>[a]</sup> of Israel, whom I commanded to shepherd my people Israel, saying, "Why have you not built me a house of cedar?" <sup>8</sup>Now therefore thus you shall say to my servant David: Thus says the LORD of hosts: I took you from the pasture, from following the sheep to be prince over my people Israel; <sup>9</sup> and I have been with you wherever you went, and have cut off all your enemies from before you; and I will make for you a great name, like the name of the great ones of the earth. <sup>10</sup> And I will appoint a place for my people Israel and will plant them, so that they may live in their own place, and be disturbed no more; and evildoers shall afflict them no more, as formerly, <sup>11</sup> from the time that I appointed judges over my people Israel; and I will give you rest from all your enemies.

Moreover the LORD declares to you that the LORD will make you a house.<sup>12</sup> When your days are fulfilled and you lie down with your ancestors, I will raise up your offspring after you, who shall come forth from your body, and I will establish his kingdom.<sup>13</sup> He shall build a house for my name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever.<sup>14</sup> I will be a father to him, and he shall be a son to me. When he commits iniquity, I will punish him with a rod such as mortals use, with blows inflicted by human beings.<sup>15</sup> But I will not take<sup>[b]</sup> my steadfast love from him,

#### PSALM: Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22

1 O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever.
2 Let the redeemed of the Lord say so, those he redeemed from trouble
3 and gathered in from the lands, from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.
17 Some were sick through their sinful ways,

and because of their iniquities endured affliction;

18 they loathed any kind of food,

and they drew near to the gates of death. 19 Then they cried to the Lord in their trouble, and he saved them from their distress;

- 20 he sent out his word and healed them, and delivered them from destruction.
- 21 Let them thank the Lord for his steadfast love, for his wonderful works to humankind.
- 22 And let them offer thanksgiving sacrifices, and tell of his deeds with songs of joy.

#### SECOND READING: Ephesians 2:1-10

You were dead through the trespasses and sins <sup>2</sup>in which you once lived, following the course of this world, following the ruler of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work among those who are disobedient. <sup>3</sup>All of us once lived among them in the passions of our flesh, following the desires of flesh and senses, and we were by nature children of wrath, like everyone else. <sup>4</sup>But God, who is rich in mercy, out of the great love with which he loved us <sup>5</sup>even when we were dead through our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ--by grace you have been saved--<sup>6</sup>and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, <sup>7</sup>so that in the ages to come he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. <sup>8</sup>For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God--<sup>9</sup>not the result of works, so that no one may boast. <sup>10</sup>For we are what he has made us, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand to be our way of life.

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## +GOSPEL: John 3:14-21

[Jesus said:] <sup>14</sup> "Just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, <sup>15</sup>that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

<sup>16</sup> "For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

<sup>17</sup> "Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. <sup>18</sup>Those who believe in him are not condemned; but those who do not believe are condemned already, because they have not believed in the name of the only Son of God. <sup>19</sup>And this is the judgment, that the light has come into the world, and people loved darkness rather than light because their deeds were evil. <sup>20</sup>For all who do evil hate the light and do not come to the light, so that their deeds may not be exposed. <sup>21</sup>But those who do what is true come to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that their deeds have been done in God."

## **Children's Sermon**

## Sermon

## +Hymn of the Day

WOV #660 I Want Jesus to Walk with Me

## +Apostles' Creed page 65

## +Prayers:

A As we journey through this season of repentance and renewal, let us turn to God who mercifully gives us new life.

A Let us pray for patience on our journey through these Lenten forty days. Give strength to all servants of the church who lead people on the way of the cross. Hear us, O God;

## C your mercy is great.

A Let us pray for a way of life centered in works of justice and peace for people of all races and nationalities. Hear us, O God;

## C your mercy is great.

A Let us pray for farmers and all who prepare the soil for planting, that the seeds they sow may lead to a bountiful harvest. Hear us, O God;

## C your mercy is great.

A Let us pray for those who are sick, for those who have suffered natural disasters, and for all who cry out to you (*especially*). Hear us, O God; C your mercy is great. A Let us pray for all preparing to affirm their faith, for those preparing for baptism and communion, and for all who seek to deepen their spiritual awareness, that their faith would be strengthened in this season. Hear us, O God;

### C your mercy is great.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

A Let us pray in thanksgiving for the members of this congregation who have died, and all the blessed dead who now live in the light of your eternal love. Hear us, O God;

C your mercy is great.

P Merciful God, hear our cry when we call to you; renew and uphold us with your Spirit, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen.

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# OFFERING

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**Announcements and Blessings** 

## +Sending Hymn:

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## Postlude

+Please stand as you are able

## Announcements:

- The offering for March 8<sup>th</sup> was \$1,566. Next Sunday, March 22<sup>nd</sup> Jeremiah 31:31-34, Psalm 51:1-12, Hebrews 5:5-10, John 12:20-33
  - NO Wednesday evening Lenten services. Maundy Thursday service April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 7:30 at St. Peter's. Good Friday service April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 7:30 at Messiah.

- 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.
- St. Peter's Church Council is sponsoring a Dance on Saturday, March 21<sup>st</sup> from 6-8:30 p.m. in the church hall. Admission & refreshments are free

   donations accepted. Everyone is welcome to attend & bring a friend for a fun evening of fellowship.
- Woodmen Relay for Life Basket Raffle to benefit Relay for Life, Sunday March 22<sup>nd</sup> at Bedford Legion, doors open at 1:00, refreshments provided. Tickets are \$20 per person. Everyone is welcome.
- Palm Sunday Brunch after worship on March 29<sup>th</sup>. Everyone is welcome.
- Annual Kids Easter Egg Hunt will be held on March 29<sup>th</sup> following the brunch. Please have all treats to the church by March 22<sup>nd</sup>.
- Happy Birthday to Juda Duncan, Duane Miller, Mindy Henderson and Albert Custer.
- Happy Anniversary to Chuck & Sandy Corle and Scott & Denise Stoudnour.

## New Parish office hours: THURSDAY 8-12:30

#### **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 meets at the church every Tuesday 2-3:30 PM (after very gentle exercise)

> > 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  $-2^{nd}$  Sunday 6:00

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

Messiah WELCA – 4<sup>th</sup> 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

Non-perishable food items will be delivered to New Paris food bank on the following Mondays. March 17 April 7