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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 6, 2016

FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

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Prelude

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+Opening Hymn:

#499 Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

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+Prayer of the Day:

P God of compassion, you welcome the wayward, and you embrace us all with your mercy. By our baptism clothe us with garments of your grace, and feed us at the table of 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: Joshua 5:9-12

The LORD said to Joshua, "Today I have rolled away from you the disgrace of Egypt." And so that place is called Gilgal to this day.

10While the Israelites were camped in Gilgal they kept the passover in the evening on the fourteenth day of the month in the plains of Jericho.

11On the day after the passover, on that very day, they ate the produce of the land, unleavened cakes and parched grain. 12The manna ceased on the day they ate the produce of the land, and the Israelites no longer had manna; they ate the crops of the land of Canaan that year.

PSALM: Psalm 32

- 1 Happy are those whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.
- 2 Happy are those to whom the Lord imputes no iniquity,

and in whose spirit there is no deceit.

- 3 While I kept silence,
 - my body wasted away through my groaning all day long.
- 4 For day and night your hand was heavy upon me; my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer.
- 5 Then I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not hide my iniquity;
- I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord," and you forgave the guilt of my sin.
- 6 Therefore let all who are faithful offer prayer to you; at a time of distress, the rush of mighty waters shall not reach them.
- 7 You are a hiding place for me; you preserve me from trouble; you surround me with glad cries of deliverance.

8 I will instruct you and teach you the way you should go;

I will counsel you with my eye upon you.

9 Do not be like a horse or a mule, without understanding,

whose temper must be curbed with bit and bridle, else it will not stay near you.

10 Many are the torments of the wicked, but steadfast love surrounds those who trust in the Lord.

11 Be glad in the Lord and rejoice, O righteous, and shout for joy, all you upright in heart.

SECOND READING: 2 Corinthians 5:16-21

From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. ¹⁷So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! ¹⁸All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation; ¹⁹that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us. ²⁰So we are ambassadors for Christ, since God is making his appeal through us; we entreat you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God.

21 For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

+Verse: page 62

+GOSPEL: Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

Now all the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to [Jesus.] ²And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them."

3So he told them this parable: 11"There was a man who had two sons. 12The younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of the property that will belong to me.' So he divided his property between them. ¹³A few days later the younger son gathered all he had and traveled to a distant country, and there he squandered his property in dissolute living. ¹⁴When he had spent everything, a severe famine took place throughout that country, and he began to be in need. 15So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed the pigs. ¹⁶He would gladly have filled himself with the pods that the pigs were eating; and no one gave him anything. ¹⁷But when he came to himself he said, 'How many of my father's hired hands have bread enough and to spare, but here I am dying of hunger!

¹⁸I will get up and go to my father, and I will say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; ¹⁹I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me like one of your hired hands." ' ²⁰So he set off and went to his father. But while he was still far off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion; he ran and put his arms around him and kissed him. 21Then the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' 22But the father said to his slaves, 'Quickly, bring out a robe-the best one-and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. 23And get the fatted calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate; ²⁴ for this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found!' And they began to celebrate.

25"Now his elder son was in the field; and when he came and approached the house, he heard music and dancing. ²⁶He called one of the slaves and asked what was going on. ²⁷He replied, 'Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fatted calf, because he has got him back safe and sound.' ²⁸Then he became angry and refused to go in. His father came out and began to plead with him. ²⁹But he answered his father, 'Listen! For all these years I have been working like a slave for you, and I have never disobeyed your command; yet you have never given me even a young goat so that I might celebrate with my friends.

30But when this son of yours came back, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fatted calf for him!' 31Then the father said to him, 'Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. 32But we had to celebrate and rejoice, because this brother of yours was dead and has come to life; he was lost and has been found.' "

Children's Sermon

Sermon

- **+Hymn of the Day** #448 Amazing Grace
- +Nicene Creed page 64

+Prayers:

A As we seek in this Lenten time to grow in our faith, let us pray for the life of the world.

A brief silence.

A That the church in every place work faithfully in its ministry of reconciliation, as ambassadors for Christ, let us pray to the Lord. C **Lord, have mercy.**

A That those preparing for baptism be welcomed like the prodigal, with celebration and rejoicing for the forgiveness and new life, let us pray to the Lord. C **Lord, have mercy.** A That the governments of the world may be just and fair, from presidents to tax collectors, from ambassadors to civil servants, let us pray to the Lord. C **Lord, have mercy.**

A That those who are estranged might find reconciliation through Christ and that we might be generous toward them with our inheritance from God, let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

A That God's wings of healing might hover over those who are weak and ill *(especially)*, let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

A That this congregation might be like manna in the land, providing relief for those in need, let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

A That we together with all the faithful departed *(especially)* might celebrate the new creation that is ours in Christ Jesus, let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

P Grant these prayers, merciful God, and all that we need, as we eagerly await the Easter feast; through Jesus Christ our Lord. C Amen

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OFFERING

+Offertory: page 67 (What Shall I Render)

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Postlude +Please stand as you are able

Announcements:

Offering February 28th - \$728.77

Next Sunday, March 13th, Isaiah 43:16-21, Psalm 126, Philippians 3:4b-14, John 12:1-8

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 want Communion, contact Pastor Donna.

- St. Peter's WELCA meeting today after church.
- St. Peter's WELCA Claysburg Pizza & Stromboli **Delivery on WEDNESDAY, March 9**th.
- We are collecting treats to fill Easter eggs for our hunt on Palm Sunday.
- Daylight Saving Time begins at 2:00 AM on Sunday, March 13th. Turn clocks ahead ONE hour before bed Saturday night.
- Regular exercise group, Monday & Thursday 6:30 at St. Peter's. All are welcome.
- Next Bloodmobile March 30th 12:30-6 at St Peter's
- Happy Birthday to Danielle Dawson, Vesta Musselman, Traci Osman, Tina Gutshall, Casey Shaffer and Kely Dapper.
- Happy Anniversary to Jim & Deborah Winesickle and Gary & Annabell Sellers.

Monthly Schedule

Every Tuesday "Quiet Hour' service of Holy Communion will be celebrated in the sanctuary of St. Peter's at approximately 3:45 p.m. Contact Pastor Donna if you want Communion that afternoon 276-3036.

St. Peter's Bible Study meets at the church every Tuesday 2-3:30 PM

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

Messiah Council Meeting – 2nd Sunday 6:00

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

Messiah WELCA – 4th Tuesday