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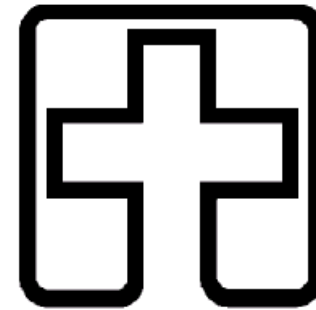
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### St. Clairsville Lutheran Parish

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

**WELCOME VISITORS!**

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

August 7, 2016

### **TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

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## **Prelude**

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

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**+Opening Hymn:** #561 For the Beauty of the Earth

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**+Kyrie:** page 57

**+ Hymn of Praise** page 58 (Glory to God)

**+Salutation:** page 62

### **+Prayer of the Day:**

**P** Almighty God, you sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your church. Open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may be ready to receive you wherever you appear, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C Amen**

## **FIRST READING: Genesis 15:1-6**

After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision, "Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great." <sup>2</sup>But Abram said, "O Lord GOD, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?" <sup>3</sup>And Abram said, "You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir." <sup>4</sup>But the word of the LORD came to him, "This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir." <sup>5</sup>He brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them." Then he said to him, "So shall your descendants be." <sup>6</sup>And he believed the LORD; and the LORD reckoned it to him as righteousness.

**PSALM: Psalm 33:12-22**

12 Happy is the nation whose God is the Lord,  
**the people whom he has chosen as his heritage.**

13 The Lord looks down from heaven;  
**he sees all humankind.**

14 From where he sits enthroned  
**he watches all the inhabitants of the earth**

15 he who fashions the hearts of them all,  
**and observes all their deeds.**

16 A king is not saved by his great army;  
**a warrior is not delivered by his great strength.**

17 The war horse is a vain hope for victory,  
**and by its great might it cannot save.**

18 Truly the eye of the Lord is on those who fear him,  
**on those who hope in his steadfast love,**

19 to deliver their soul from death,  
**and to keep them alive in famine.**

20 Our soul waits for the Lord;  
**he is our help and shield.**

21 Our heart is glad in him,  
**because we trust in his holy name.**

22 Let your steadfast love, O Lord, be upon us,  
**even as we hope in you.**

**SECOND READING: Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16**

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. <sup>2</sup>Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. <sup>3</sup>By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so

that what is seen was made from things that are not visible.

<sup>8</sup>By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; and he set out, not knowing where he was going. <sup>9</sup>By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. <sup>10</sup>For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. <sup>11</sup>By faith he received power of procreation, even though he was too old—and Sarah herself was barren—because he considered him faithful who had promised. <sup>12</sup>Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, "as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore."

<sup>13</sup>All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth, <sup>14</sup>for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. <sup>15</sup>If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. <sup>16</sup>But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

**+Verse:** page 62

**+GOSPEL: Luke 12:32-40**

[Jesus said:] <sup>32</sup>"Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. <sup>33</sup>Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. <sup>34</sup>For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

<sup>35</sup>"Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; <sup>36</sup>be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. <sup>37</sup>Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. <sup>38</sup>If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves.

<sup>39</sup>"But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. <sup>40</sup>You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour."

**Children's Sermon**

**Sermon**

**+Hymn of the Day**

#448 Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound

**+Apostles' Creed** page 65

**+Prayers:**

A Confident in God's steadfast love through Jesus Christ and guided by the Holy Spirit, let us pray for the church, the world, and all people according to their needs.

*A brief silence.*

A Let us pray for the church, that as we wait in hope for the return of our master, we will be found to be faithful servants of Christ in the world. God of grace,  
C **let our prayer come before you.**

A Let us pray for all those who promote the health and safety of others in our country and our community, that they would experience joy in their service to others. God of grace,  
C **let our prayer come before you.**

A Let us pray for all those who are living without hope: the homeless, the mentally ill, those with chronic illness, the childless, and for the sick (*especially*), that they may not be afraid but may come to know that it is the Father's good pleasure to give them the kingdom. God of grace, C **let our prayer come before you.**

A Let us pray for those from our congregation vacationing, that they may obtain rest from their labors and renewal of their spirits. God of grace,

**C let our prayer come before you.**

*Here other intercessions may be offered.*

A Let us give thanks for all those whose faith sustained them even as they longed for their heavenly home, especially Dominic, renewer of the church (*and names*). Sustain our faith and grant us your unfailing treasure in heaven. God of grace,

**C let our prayer come before you.**

P Teach us to pray, O God, and grant to all for whom we pray the good gifts that you have promised, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C Amen**

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## **OFFERING**

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## **Postlude**

+Please stand as you are able

## Announcements:

Offering July 31<sup>st</sup> - \$1,141

August 14<sup>th</sup> - Jeremiah 23:23-29, Psalm 82,  
Hebrews 11:29-12:2, Luke 12:49-56

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.

- Reminder: Spare change is accepted every Sunday and much appreciated.
- Loose change in the offering plate will be used to pay the electric bill. Change can be given any Sunday and the total for each month will be matched (up to \$30.00) by individual members. The list of those who will match is posted on the bulletin board. The matching check (cash, etc.) is due by the first Sunday of the next month.
- Bloodmobile October 5<sup>th</sup> 12:30-6 at St. Peter's. Please donate.
- Allegheny Lutheran Social Ministries Annual Auxiliary Appeal – Please return your completed forms and donations to Fay Dellinger before September 1, 2016. (You may send it to the address on the form if you want to.)
- Happy Birthday to William Ickes, Nicky Young, Jack Monsour, and David Custer.
- Happy Anniversary to Bud & Mary Henderson.

- The Harold W. Hengst Scholarship will be available again for the academic year 2016/2017 in the amount of \$700.00. This scholarship is available to any full time student who is a member of or whose parents or grandparents are members of St. Peters Church. Application deadline is September 4, 2016. Details and applications are available in the narthex or from Keith Bowser.

## 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.

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

Messiah 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

