

Those for Whom We Pray

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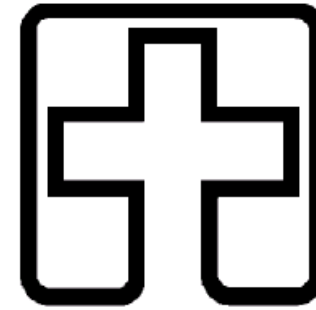
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St. Clairsville Lutheran Parish

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

WELCOME VISITORS!

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

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TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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Prelude

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+Hymn of Praise page 60 (This is the Feast)

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+Prayer of the Day:

P Righteous God, our merciful master, you own the earth and all its peoples, and you give us all that we have. Inspire us to serve you with justice and wisdom, and prepare us for the joy of the day of your coming, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen

FIRST READING: Zephaniah 1:7, 12-18

7 Be silent before the Lord God! For the day of the Lord is at hand; the Lord has prepared a sacrifice, he has consecrated his guests.

12 At that time I will search Jerusalem with lamps, and I will punish the people who rest complacently on their dregs, those who say in their hearts,

"The Lord will not do good, nor will he do harm." 13 Their wealth shall be plundered, and their houses laid waste. Though they build houses, they shall not inhabit them; though they plant vineyards, they shall not drink wine from them.

14 The great day of the Lord is near, near and hastening fast; the sound of the day of the Lord is bitter, the warrior cries aloud there. 15 That day will be a day of wrath, a day of distress and anguish, a day of ruin and devastation, a day of darkness and gloom, a day of clouds and thick darkness, 16 a day of trumpet blast and battle cry against the fortified cities and against the lofty battlements. 17 I will bring such distress upon people that they shall walk like the blind; because they have sinned against the Lord, their blood shall be poured out like dust, and their flesh like dung. 18 Neither their silver nor their gold will be able to save them on the day of the Lord's wrath; in the fire of his passion the whole earth shall be consumed; for a full, a terrible end he will make of all the inhabitants of the earth.

PSALM: Psalm 90:1-12

1 Lord, you have been our dwelling place

in all generations.

2 Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever you had formed the earth and the world,

from everlasting to everlasting you are God.

3 You turn us back to dust and say,

"Turn back, you mortals."

4 For a thousand years in your sight are like yesterday when it is past,

or like a watch in the night.

5 You sweep them away;

they are like a dream, like grass that is renewed in the morning;

6 in the morning it flourishes and is renewed;

in the evening it fades and withers.

7 For we are consumed by your anger;

by your wrath we are overwhelmed.

8 You have set our iniquities before you,

our secret sins in the light of your countenance.

9 For all our days pass away under your wrath;

our years come to an end like a sigh.

10 The days of our life are seventy years or perhaps eighty, if we are strong;

even then their span is only toil and trouble; they are soon gone, and we fly away.

11 Who considers the power of your anger?

Your wrath is as great as the fear that is due you.

12 So teach us to count our days

that we may gain a wise heart.

SECOND READING: 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

1 Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you. 2 For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night.

3 When they say, "There is peace and security," then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! 4 But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; 5 for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness.

6 So then let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober; 7 for those who sleep sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. 8 But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. 9 For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, 10 who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. 11 Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

+Verse: page 62

+GOSPEL: Matthew 25:14-30

14 "For it is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; 15 to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. 16 The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more talents. 17 In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents.

18 But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. 19 After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. 20 Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, "Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents." 21 His master said to him, "Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master." 22 And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, "Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents." 23 His master said to him, "Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master." 24 Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, "Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; 25 so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours." 26 But his master replied, "You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? 27 Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. 28 So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. 29 For to all those who have, more will

be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. 30 As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'

Sermon

+Hymn of the Day #409 Praise and Thanksgiving

+Creed p.64 or 65

+Prayers:

A Open to the gifts of the Holy Spirit, we pray for the church, the world, and all of God's creation.

A brief silence.

A We pray for the church. Enliven its witness in ecumenical ministries, feeding programs, and new ventures. Open our hearts to friendships that share faith, and open our mouths to share your good news. Lord, in your mercy,

C Hear our prayer.

A We pray for parks and open spaces, for clean air and clear water. Help us protect places where we are reminded of God's work in creation and find renewal. Lord, in your mercy,

C Hear our prayer.

A We pray for those who have been and are still today enslaved, trafficked, or oppressed. Make clear the needs of those who are silenced by suffering, that we may listen and bring an end to exploitation. Lord, in your mercy,

C Hear our prayer.

A We pray for those who cry out for healing, hope, or help, and for those for whom we have promised to pray (*especially*). Bring relief to caregivers and surround those who are lonely with your powerful presence.

Lord, in your mercy,

C Hear our prayer.

A We pray for this congregation and the talents and treasures each person brings. Bring new talents to blossom among us, as we encourage and build one another. Lord, in your mercy,

C Hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered

A Lord, our dwelling place in all generations, we remember with thanksgiving all who have died in you (*especially*). Teach us to count our days as gifts from you. Lord, in your mercy,

C Hear our prayer

P Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting the power of Christ, and the gifts of the Spirit. **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

- Happy Birthday to Will Ickes, Katherine Deremer, Don Feathers, Thelda Fleegle, Theresa Leppert, Jim Imler, Melissa Smith, ZJanet Bowser and Mark Bromley.

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 – 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

Bible Study 2nd & 4th Wednesday 1-2:30 at St. Peter’s

Exercise Group Mondays & Thursdays, 6:30 at St. Peter’s

Corn Hole Tournaments Wednesdays, 6:00 at St. Peter’s

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

Messiah WELCA – 4th Tuesday

Announcements:

November 26th - Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24, Psalm 95
Ephesians 1:15-23, Matthew 25:31-46

Offering November 12th - \$770

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 9:00am and at St. Peter's at 10:15am. If you want Communion, contact Pastor Donna.

NOTICE Anyone who works with children, representing St. Peter’s, needs to have copies of clearances on file with the council. This is required by the Allegheny Synod of the ELCA and Pennsylvania State Law. Please have copies of your clearances turned in by January 1, 2018.

If you would like a copy of the details and instructions for obtaining the needed documents, they are available from Pastor Donna. The clearances for volunteers are simpler than those needed for employment.

- St. Peter’s collected 54 shoe boxes for Samaritan’s Purse Christmas Child project. Thank you to all who participated! This surpassed last year’s total of 46.
- St. Peter’s collected 95 bars of soap for Lutheran World Relief.
- St. Peter’s Women’s Christmas Party will be Thursday, December 7th, 6:00 at the church. More info to follow... The date change is due to the Bloodmobile at the church on December 6th.