

Those for Whom We Pray

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If you have any changes for the prayer list, please call the office.
Thank you.

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St. Clairsville Lutheran Parish

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

WELCOME VISITORS!

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

December 2, 2012

FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT

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Prelude

+Brief Order for Confession

and Forgiveness: page 56

+Opening Hymn #32 Fling Wide the Door
(found in both red & green hymnals)

+Greeting: page 57

+Kyrie: page 57

+Salutation page 62

+Prayer of the Day:

P Let us pray.

Stir up your power, O Lord, and come. Protect us by your strength and save us from the threatening dangers of our sins, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **C Amen**

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 33:14-16

The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. ¹⁵In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. ¹⁶In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this is the name by which it will be called: "The LORD is our righteousness."

Lighting of Advent Candles: 34 stanza 1

Oh Come, Oh Come, Emmanuel

PSALM: Psalm 25:1-9

To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul; my God, I put my | trust in you;*

let me not be humiliated, nor let my enemies triumph | over me.

²Let none who look to you be | put to shame;*

let the treacherous be disappointed | in their schemes.

³Show me your | ways, O LORD,*

and teach | me your paths.

⁴Lead me in your | truth and teach me,*

**for you are the God of my salvation;
in you have I trusted all | the day long.**

⁵Remember, O LORD, your compas- | sion and love,*

for they are from | everlasting.

⁶Remember not the sins of my youth and | my transgressions;*

**remember me according to your love
and for the sake of your good- | ness, O**

LORD.

⁷Gracious and upright | is the LORD;*

therefore he teaches sinners | in his way.

⁸He guides the humble in | doing right*

and teaches his way | to the lowly.

⁹All the paths of the LORD are | love and faithfulness*

to those who keep his covenant and his | testimonies.

SECOND READING: 1 Thessalonians 3:9-13

How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy that we feel before our God because of you? ¹⁰Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you face to face and restore whatever is lacking in your faith.

¹¹Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you. ¹²And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we abound in love for you. ¹³And may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

+Verse page 62

+Gospel : Luke 21:25-36

P: The holy gospel according to Luke, the 21st chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said:] ²⁵"There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the

waves. ²⁶People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. ²⁷Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in a cloud' with power and great glory. ²⁸Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near."

²⁹Then he told them a parable: "Look at the fig tree and all the trees; ³⁰as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. ³¹So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. ³²Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. ³³Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

³⁴"Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day catch you unexpectedly, ³⁵like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. ³⁶Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man."

P: The gospel of our Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Children's Sermon

Sermon

+**Hymn of the Day** (insert) He Came Down
(found in red hymnal only) (please return insert to
pew folder)

+**Nicene Creed:** page 64

+Prayers:

A With longing for the fullness of redemption, let
us pray for the church, the world, and all people
according to their needs.

A brief silence.

A For all the baptized, that our eyes may be alert
to Christ's presence, and our hearts make a home for
his word: God of hopefulness,

C **hear our prayer.**

A For leaders of government, and especially
those newly elected, that they may walk humbly with
God, doing justice and loving kindness: God of
hopefulness,

C **hear our prayer.**

A For those who, like Francis Xavier, have
spread the gospel to people in distant lands: God of
hopefulness,

C **hear our prayer.**

A For those who are sick and for those recovering
from illness (*especially*), that they may know the
healing love of Christ: God of hopefulness,

C **hear our prayer.**

A For our guests at worship, that the grace and
love of Jesus Christ may keep them now and in the
coming week: God of hopefulness,

C **hear our prayer.**

Here other intercessions may be offered.

A In thankfulness for loved ones and all who
have gone before us, with whom we await the great
heavenly feast: God of hopefulness,

C **hear our prayer.**

P God of salvation, hear the prayers we make in
the name of Jesus Christ, whose coming is certain
and whose day draws near.

C **Amen**

+**Peace:** page 66

OFFERING

+**Offertory:** (Let the Vineyards) page 66

+**Offertory Prayer** page 67

+**Great Thanksgiving** pages 68-71

+Lord's Prayer: page 71

Communion

Lamb of God: page 72

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+Post Communion Prayer: page 74

+Benediction: page 74

Announcements and Blessings

+Sending Hymn:

#221 Sent Forth by God's Blessing
(found in both red & green hymnals)

+Dismissal: page 74

Postlude

+Please stand as you are able

Announcements:

🕒 From Pastor Donna:

There is no cell phone reception in the parsonage; I don't use the phone when driving or visiting. Please use the home number (276-3036) for messages.

Pastor Donna will be off duty during the weeks of Dec. 4 and Dec. 18 (weekdays only). Dug will be taking calls and will arrange coverage as needed.

- 🕒 Parish Council meeting 6:00 tonight at St. Peter's to deal with the Parish budget.
- 🕒 Messiah WELCA Christmas party Wednesday, December 5th, noon at the church. Bring a covered dish. No gifts, please bring a non-perishable food item or monetary donation for the Bedford County food bank. Everyone is welcome.
- 🕒 Parish Children's Christmas program Dec. 16th, 7p.m. at St. Peter's. Practice every Sunday at 7:00.
- 🕒 Happy Birthday to Constance Ickes, Byron Draeger, Erica Antonson, Doris Draeger, Joann Hammond, Crystal Musselman, Addison Grace Osman, Connie Bixel and Roy Claycomb.

Monthly Schedule

St. Peter's Bible Study every Tuesday or Thursday
10-noon at Mary Kay Osman's

Outreach Sunday – 1st Sunday

St. Peter's WELCA meeting – 1st Sunday

Parish Council meeting – 2nd Sunday 7:00

Healing Hearts spousal bereavement support group –
2nd Wednesday 7:00 at St. Peter's

St. Peter's Council meeting - 3rd Monday

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

Messiah WELCA – 4th Tuesday

New Paris Food Bank

Pick up date

MONDAY

December 17th

Please Mark Your Calendar

St. Peter's ladies will hold their annual **Christmas party on Thursday, December 6, at 6PM** at the church. **We have moved the party to Thursday night because of the Bloodmobile on Wednesday.** All women of the church are invited. It will be a covered dish supper. 2012 Secret Sisters will exchange cards to reveal themselves, and new 2013 Secret Sisters will be assigned. Bring a \$5 donation of items for Pennknoll residents – lotion, tissues, shampoo, etc. Entertainment will be provided! We will also be filling Christmas Stockings for the children. Anyone who would like to bring treats for the children please bring them to the church by December 2nd. We will be doing 20 stockings.

Future **blood drives** at St. Peter's are scheduled for **December 5th** and **January 30th** from **12-6PM**. Volunteers are always needed.

St. Peter's **Christmas brunch** will be held on **Sunday, December 9th**, immediately after the church service. The ladies will provide the food, and a free will offering basket will be available. The Women's Group will match the donations up to \$200; this money will be given to the general fund for the upkeep of the church.

The Parish Children's Christmas Program was a huge success last year, and this year's program is planned for Sunday, December 16, at 7PM at St. Peter's. A family fellowship time will immediately follow. Practices are 7:00 every Sunday at St. Peter's. All children are welcome to participate.