

Those for Whom We Pray

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St. Clairsville Lutheran Parish

Messiah, Bedford – 10:30 a.m.

WELCOME VISITORS!

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

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FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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Prelude

+Opening Hymn:

+Greeting: page 98

+Song of Praise #848

+Prayer of the Day:

P Almighty God, your Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life. Give us grace to love one another, to follow in the way of his commandments, and to share his risen life with all the world, for he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen

FIRST READING: Acts 7:55-60

Filled with the Holy Spirit, [Stephen] gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. ⁵⁶"Look," he said, "I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!" ⁵⁷But they covered their ears, and with a loud shout all rushed together against him. ⁵⁸Then they dragged him out of the city and began to stone him; and the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul. ⁵⁹While they

were stoning Stephen, he prayed, "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit."

⁶⁰Then he knelt down and cried out in a loud voice, "Lord, do not hold this sin against them." When he had said this, he died.

PSALM: Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16

In you, O LORD, have I taken refuge; let me never be put to shame;*

deliver me in your righteousness.

²Incline your ear to me;*

make haste to deliver me.

³Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe, for you are my crag and my stronghold;*

for the sake of your name, lead me and guide me.

⁴Take me out of the net that they have secretly set for me,*

for you are my tower of strength.

⁵Into your hands I commend my spirit,*

for you have redeemed me, O LORD, O God of truth.

¹⁵My times are in your hand;*

rescue me from the hand of my enemies, and from those who persecute me.

¹⁶Make your face to shine upon your servant,*

and in your loving-kindness save me."

SECOND READING: 1 Peter 2:2-10

Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation--³if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

⁴Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and ⁵like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.⁶For it stands in scripture:

"See, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious; and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame." ⁷To you then who believe, he is precious; but for those who do not believe, "The stone that the builders rejected has become the very head of the corner," ⁸and "A stone that makes them stumble, and a rock that makes them fall." They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do. ⁹But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. ¹⁰Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

+Gospel Acclamation: page 102

GOSPEL: John 14:1-14

[Jesus said to the disciples:] "Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. ²In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you?

³And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. ⁴And you know the way to the place where I am going." ⁵Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?" ⁶Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. ⁷If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him."

⁸Philip said to him, "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." ⁹Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? ¹⁰Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. ¹¹Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. ¹²Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. ¹³I will

do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. ¹⁴If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it."

Children's Sermon

Sermon

+Hymn of the Day

+Nicene Creed: page 104

+Prayers:

A Heavenly Father, even as Stephen could see the Lord Jesus Christ seated at your right hand, fill us with courage to look heavenward when all the world rejects our witness.

Set our minds on heavenly things:

C Fill us with your joy.

A Heavenly Father, you are our rock of refuge. Our times are in your hands. Guide us with your steadfast love even as you listen to our prayers. Set our minds on heavenly things:

C Fill us with your joy.

A Living Stone, Lord Jesus Christ, be our cornerstone. You have chosen us to be your people, and we have tasted your goodness and have received your mercy.

Set our minds on heavenly things:

C Fill us with your joy.

A Lord Jesus, Son of the Father, you speak of the Father's house as your home and our home. Be the Way, the Truth and the Life for each of us.

Set our minds on heavenly things:

C Fill us with your joy.

A Holy Spirit, help us understand Jesus' good news that He is in the Father and the Father is in Him. May we rejoice to know that Jesus was always about the Father's business.

Set our minds on heavenly things:

C Fill us with your joy.

A All the world seems to be at odds, Lord Jesus Christ, unable to accept your deep involvement in our daily lives. Do not let us sink into the abyss of disbelief.

Set our minds on heavenly things:

C Fill us with your joy.

A Heavenly One, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, care for those among us with special needs. Be father and mother, sister and brother, friend and healer to all whom we now name before you: _____. Set our minds on heavenly things:

C Fill us with your joy.

P Help us listen closely to your Word, even as you listen to our prayers.

C Amen.

+**Peace:** page 106

OFFERING

+**Offertory: hymn #182** (Let the Vineyards Be
Fruitful Lord)

+**Offertory Prayer** page 107

+**Great Thanksgiving** pages 107-108

+**Lord's Prayer:** page 112

Communion

+**Post Communion Canticle:**

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Announcements and Blessings

+**Sending Hymn**

+**Dismissal:** page 115

Postlude

+Please stand as you are able

Announcements:

- **Worship with Holy Communion Schedule:**
Sundays at St. Peter's at 9:00am, at Messiah at 10:30am, and Wednesday evening at 5:30pm at St. Peter's. Sunday School classes meet at Messiah at 9:30am and at St. Peter's at 10:15am.
- Joint Parish Council meeting is **CANCELED** for tonight.
- Our very own Christine Frazier will be singing the National Anthem 6:00 tonight at the Altoona Curve. There will be fireworks after the game.
- The next Souper Wednesday will be on May 21, 6:00pm at St. Peter's.
- Attention Synod Delegates and others:
Bedford Conference Spring Caucus (pre-synod gathering) will be held Mon. May 19th at Zion, Everett beginning at 7:00 p.m. Congregation delegates are requested to attend, all others are welcome.
- Exercise Fellowship at St. Peter's will meet on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 6-6:30pm with

gentle exercises. Then the 6:30-7:30 aerobic exercises and/or light strength training will continue. You are welcome to join the 6pm half-hour as your gentler exercise time or you could attend it as a warm-up for the second session or you could just attend the second session. We have healthy exercise for everyone and plenty of fellowship. Everyone is welcome.

- St. Peter's has adopted a highway. We will meet on Saturday, June 7th, 9:00am at the church. Rules and equipment will be given out at that time. Rain date is June 14th. Children must be supervised by an adult. Please plan to attend.
- St. Clairsville Lutheran Parish's Vacation Bible School will be June 18, 19, and 20, 2014 at Messiah Lutheran Church. Beginning at noon on the 18th and ending at 7:00 p.m. on the 20th. Cost to sponsor a child is \$15. Any ??? call Christine Frazier 623-9683
- Happy Birthday to Fay Dellinger, Paula Dawson, Liz Baldinger, Gary Wissinger, Shannon Dapper and Rita Walker.
- Happy Anniversary to Pat & Joan Buck and Robert & Dottie Bromley.

Non-perishable food items are being collected at St. Peter's and will be delivered to New Paris food bank on the following Mondays.

June 16

July 14

Bloodmobile at St. Peter's Dates for 2014

May 28th July 23rd

Please mark your calendars.
We need donors & volunteers
to keep this a successful bloodmobile

Monthly Schedule

NEW WORSHIP SERVICE SCHEDULED

Every Wednesday evening "Quiet Hour" service of Holy Communion will be celebrated in the sanctuary of St. Peter's at 5:30 p.m.

Souper Wednesday - 3rd Wednesday 6:00pm
at St. Peter's

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

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

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

Messiah WELCA – 4th Tuesday

Exercise Group Tues. & Thurs. 6:00-7:30
at St. Peter's.