

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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FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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Prelude

swear an oath, and said, 'You must not get a wife for my son

+Brief Order for Confession and Forgiveness:

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+Opening Hymn:

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+Song of Praise #848

+Prayer of the Day:

P You are great, O God, and greatly to be praised. You have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless until they rest in you. Grant that we may believe in you, call upon you, know you, and serve you, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen

FIRST READING: Genesis 24:34-38, 42-49, 58-67

34 So he said, "I am Abraham's servant. 35 The LORD has blessed my master abundantly, and he has become wealthy. He has given him sheep and cattle, silver and gold, menservants and maidservants, and camels and donkeys. 36 My master's wife Sarah has borne him a son in her old age, and he has given him everything he owns. 37 And my master made me

from the daughters of the Canaanites, in whose land I live, 38 but go to my father's family and to my own clan, and get a wife for my son.'

42 "When I came to the spring today, I said, 'O LORD, God of my master Abraham, if you will, please grant success to the journey on which I have come. 43 See, I am standing beside this spring; if a maiden comes out to draw water and I say to her, "Please let me drink a little water from your jar," 44 and if she says to me, "Drink, and I'll draw water for your camels too," let her be the one the LORD has chosen for my master's son.' 45 "Before I finished praying in my heart, Rebekah came out, with her jar on her shoulder. She went down to the spring and drew water, and I said to her, 'Please give me a drink.' 46 "She quickly lowered her jar from her shoulder and said, 'Drink, and I'll water your camels too.' So I drank, and she watered the camels also. 47 "I asked her, 'Whose daughter are you?' "She said, 'The daughter of Bethuel son of Nahor, whom Milcah bore to him.' "Then I put the ring in her nose and the bracelets on her arms, 48 and I bowed down and worshiped the LORD. I praised the LORD, the God of my master Abraham, who had led me on the right road to get the granddaughter of my master's

brother for his son. 49 Now if you will show kindness and faithfulness to my master, tell me; and if not, tell me, so I may know which way to turn." 58 So they called Rebekah and asked her, "Will you go with this man?" "I will go," she said. 59 So they sent their sister Rebekah on her way, along with her nurse and Abraham's servant and his men. 60 And they blessed Rebekah and said to her, "Our sister, may you increase to thousands upon thousands; may your offspring possess the gates of their enemies." 61 Then Rebekah and her maids got ready and mounted their camels and went back with the man. So the servant took Rebekah and left. 62 Now Isaac had come from Beer Lahai Roi, for he was living in the Negev. 63 He went out to the field one evening to meditate, and as he looked up, he saw camels approaching. 64 Rebekah also looked up and saw Isaac. She got down from her camel 65 and asked the servant, "Who is that man in the field coming to meet us?" "He is my master," the servant answered. So she took her veil and covered herself. 66 Then the servant told Isaac all he had done. 67 Isaac brought her into the tent of his mother Sarah, and he married Rebekah. So she became his wife, and he loved her; and Isaac was comforted after his mother's death.

PSALM: Psalm 45:10-17

¹⁰ Hear, O daughter, consider and incline your ear;
forget your people and your father's house,
¹¹ **and the king will desire your beauty.**

Since he is your lord, bow to him;
¹² **the people of Tyre will seek your favor**
with gifts, the richest of the people ¹³ **with all**
kinds of wealth.

The princess is decked in her chamber with gold-woven robes;
¹⁴ **in many-colored robes she is led to the**
king; behind her the virgins, her
companions, follow.

¹⁵ With joy and gladness they are led along
as they enter the palace of the king.

¹⁶ In the place of ancestors you, O king, shall have sons;

you will make them princes in all the earth.

¹⁷ I will cause your name to be celebrated in all generations;

therefore the peoples will praise you forever and ever.

SECOND READING: Romans 7:15-25a

In his letter to the Romans, Paul argues that we are made right with God through Christ's action rather than through our own works. To illustrate our need for Christ, he offers us a picture of one who tries to do what is right, only to discover good intentions are not enough.

I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. ¹⁶Now if I do what I do not want, I agree that the law is good. ¹⁷But in fact it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. ¹⁸For I know that nothing good dwells within me, that is, in my flesh. I can will what is right, but I cannot do it. ¹⁹For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I do. ²⁰Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me.

²¹So I find it to be a law that when I want to do what is good, evil lies close at hand. ²²For I delight in the law of God in my inmost self, ²³but I see in my

members another law at war with the law of my mind, making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. ²⁴Wretched man that I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death? ²⁵Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

+Gospel Acclamation: page 102

+GOSPEL: Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

[Jesus spoke to the crowd saying:] "To what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to one another,

¹⁷'We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we wailed, and you did not mourn.'

¹⁸For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, 'He has a demon'; ¹⁹the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, 'Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!' Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds."

²⁵At that time Jesus said, "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; ²⁶yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. ²⁷All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

²⁸"Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest.

²⁹Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. ³⁰For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

Children's Sermon

Sermon

+Hymn of the Day

+Apostles' Creed page 105

+Prayers:

A Heavenly Father, you desire the personal gift of love over the perpetual offering plate, because true love is far more costly than money. Enable us to give heart to the brokenhearted, hope to the those in despair, love to one wounded by hate, and joy to the one who has forgotten how to sing.

Prince of Peace:

C Come, Lord Jesus, come.

A Holy Spirit, as we learn to say "Thank you, Lord" you have taught us to understand that we are in deep

debt to you, yet all you've ever wanted from us is Love.

Prince of Peace:

C Come, Lord Jesus, come.

A Lord God Almighty, able to do what you have promised, give us ears to hear you calling us to be careful caretakers of this earth, and all granted breath upon it.

Prince of Peace:

C Come, Lord Jesus, come.

A Your strong word, Jesus Christ, to the desperate, is always: "Take heart." Keep us from the sin of despair.

Prince of Peace:

C Come, Lord Jesus, come.

A If in this life only we have hope, we are most to be pitied. Nevertheless, we presume upon your love and power to heal and help those whom we name before you: _____.

Prince of Peace:

C Come, Lord Jesus, come.

P Your steadfast love is your daily gift for our daily need. Thank you, loving Lord.

C Amen.

+Peace: page 106

+Please stand as you are able

OFFERING

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

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Communion

+Post Communion Canticle:
#313 O Lord, Now Let Your Servant

+Post Communion Prayer: page 114

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Announcements and Blessings

+Sending Hymn

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Postlude

Announcements:

- Messiah's June Financial statement
Total Income \$2,685
Total Expense 2,976
Year-to-date under budget by \$3,965
June coin collection & match \$124.39
- The next Board meeting for Thrivent will be held July 8 at 6:30 pm at Mt. Zion in Breezewood. ALL Thrivent members are encouraged to come to the meetings to learn more about what we are doing within Bedford County.
- Next Sunday July 13 – Fifth Sunday after Pentecost Lessons: Genesis 25:19-34, Psalm 119:105-112, Romans 8:1-11 and Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23.

- **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.
- We are looking for people interested in providing campership for youth to attend a week at Sequanota. Any amount would be appreciated. Contributions can be placed in the offering plate in envelope designated campership.

- Exercise Fellowship at St. Peter's will meet on Tuesdays and Thursdays 6-7:30. We have healthy exercise and plenty of fellowship. Everyone is welcome.
- Happy Birthday to Gloria Mellott, Dottie Bromley, David Miller, Tim Baumgardner, Chase Barefoot and David Dapper.
- Happy Anniversary to Bob & Sue Way and Albert & Linda Custer.

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

July 14 August 11 September 15

Bloodmobile at St. Peter's Dates for 2014

July 23rd

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

Monthly Schedule

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.