

Those for Whom We Pray

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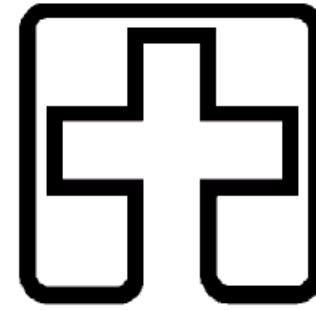
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St. Clairsville Lutheran Parish

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

WELCOME VISITORS!

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

December 28, 2014

FIRST SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS

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Prelude

Brief Order for Confession and Forgiveness:

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+**Opening Hymn:** #39 Joy to the World

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

+**Salutation:** page 62

+**Prayer of the Day:**

P Almighty God, you wonderfully created the dignity of human nature and yet more wonderfully restored it. In your mercy, let us share the divine life of the one who came to share our humanity, Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen

FIRST READING: Isaiah 61:10--62:3

I will greatly rejoice in the LORD,
my whole being shall exult in my God;
for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation,
he has covered me with the robe of righteousness,
as a bridegroom decks himself with a garland,
and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels.
¹¹For as the earth brings forth its shoots,
and as a garden causes what is sown in it to spring
up,
so the Lord GOD will cause righteousness and praise
to spring up before all the nations.
^{62:1}For Zion's sake I will not keep silent,
and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest,
until her vindication shines out like the dawn,
and her salvation like a burning torch.
²The nations shall see your vindication,
and all the kings your glory;
and you shall be called by a new name
that the mouth of the LORD will give.
³You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the
LORD,
and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.

PSALM: Psalm 148

Hallelujah! Praise the LORD from the heavens;*

praise him in the heights.

²Praise him, all you angels of his;*

praise him, all his host.

³Praise him, sun and moon;*

praise him, all you shining stars.

⁴Praise him, heaven of heavens,*

and you waters above the heavens.

⁵Let them praise the name of the LORD;*

for he commanded, and they were created.

⁶He made them stand fast forever and ever;*

he gave them a law which shall not pass away.

⁷Praise the LORD from the earth,*

you sea-monsters and all deeps;

⁸fire and hail, snow and fog,*

tempestuous wind, doing his will;

⁹mountains and all hills,*

fruit trees and all cedars;

¹⁰wild beasts and all cattle,*

creeping things and winged birds;

¹¹kings of the earth and all peoples,*

princes and all rulers of the world;

¹²young men and maidens,*

old and young together.

¹³Let them praise the name of the LORD,*

for his name only is exalted, his splendor is over earth and heaven.

¹⁴He has raised up strength for his people and praise for all his loyal servants,*

the children of Israel, a people who are near him. Hallelujah!

SECOND READING: Galatians 4:4-7

When the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, ⁵in order to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as children. ⁶And because you are children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" ⁷So you are no longer a slave but a child, and if a child then also an heir, through God.

+Verse: page 63

+Gospel: Luke 2:22-40

When the time came for their purification according to the law of Moses, Joseph and Mary brought Jesus up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord ²³(as it is written in the law of the Lord, "Every firstborn male shall be designated as holy to the Lord"), ²⁴and they offered a sacrifice according to what is stated in the law of the Lord, "a pair of turtledoves or two young pigeons."

²⁵Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon; this man was righteous and devout, looking forward to the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit rested on him.

²⁶It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Messiah. ²⁷Guided by the Spirit, Simeon came into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him what was customary under the law, ²⁸Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying,

²⁹ "Master, now you are dismissing your servant in peace, according to your word;

³⁰for my eyes have seen your salvation,

³¹which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples, ³²a light for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to your people Israel."

³³And the child's father and mother were amazed at what was being said about him. ³⁴Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, "This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed ³⁵so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed--and a sword will pierce your own soul too."

³⁶There was also a prophet, Anna the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was of a great age, having lived with her husband seven years after her marriage, ³⁷then as a widow to the age of eighty-

four. She never left the temple but worshiped there with fasting and prayer night and day. ³⁸At that moment she came, and began to praise God and to speak about the child to all who were looking for the redemption of Jerusalem.

³⁹When they had finished everything required by the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. ⁴⁰The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favor of God was upon him.

Children's Sermon

Sermon

+Hymn of the Day #40 What Child Is This

+Apostles' Creed page 65

+Prayers:

A Rejoicing in God's gift of gentle grace, let us pray for the church, the world, and all on whom the light of Christ shines.

A O God, you clothe us with the garments of salvation and cover us with the robe of righteousness. Grant unity to your church as we claim the common clothing that is ours through

baptism into Christ. God of grace, C
hear our prayer.

A O God, your glory is seen by the nations, and your wonders shall be known by all people. Rescue all who are trampled by war and violence, and bring an end to bloodshed and hatred in the world you have made. God of grace, C **hear our prayer.**

A O God, in your presence is healing and wholeness. Touch the lives of all who are sick and sorrowful (*especially*), that they may know the comfort and consolation of your Holy Spirit. God of grace,
C **hear our prayer.**

A O God, you are the hope of every generation. We give you thanks for the elders in our midst who point us to your faithfulness. Remind them of your steadfast and unchanging love. God of grace,
C **hear our prayer.**

A O God, in you we grow in strength and wisdom. Deepen the nurturing love of all fathers, mothers, and guardians of children, a love that is rooted in your fatherly goodness and motherly care. God of grace,
C **hear our prayer.**

A O God, you are the life of the world to come. We commend to your eternal care our beloved dead (*especially*). Keep us united with them always in the communion of saints. God of grace,
C **hear our prayer.**

P Hear our prayers, gracious God, and bathe us always in the light of your Word made flesh, Jesus Christ our Lord.
C **Amen.**

+**Peace:** page 66

OFFERING

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Communion

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Announcements and Blessings

+**Sending Hymn:** #70 Go Tell It On the Mountain

+**Dismissal:** page 74

Postlude

+Please stand as you are able

Announcements:

- The offering for December 21st was \$956.
- Next Sunday January 4, Jeremiah 31:7-14, Psalm 147:12-20, Ephesians 1:3-14, John 1:1-18
- 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 would like Communion on Wednesday evening, please contact Pastor Donna by noon that day at 276-3036.
- Children's Christmas play at St. Peter's tonight at 7p.m. All participants please be there by 6:30.

- St. Peter's Congregational meeting January 4th after church for election of council members & to discuss the 2015 budget.
- Happy Birthday to Charles Maxwell Jr, Nukolas Custer, Deborah Winesickle, Lindy McDonald, Linda Humphrey and Daniel Knisely.

Parish Office hours:

Tuesday, December 30th 8-12:30

Thursday, January 1st **CLOSED**

Please have all announcements into the office by 10:30 a.m. Tuesday. Thank you.

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. Contact Pastor Donna by noon on Wednesday if you want Communion that evening 276-3036.

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 Fellowship Group

Monday - Regular Exercise 6:30-7:30PM

Tuesday - Very Gentle Exercise 1-1:40PM

Thursday - Gentle Exercise 6PM &
Regular Exercise 6:30-7:30PM at St. Peter's

Non-perishable food items will be delivered to New
Paris food bank on the following Mondays.

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