

# *Circleville Church*

*of North Huntingdon, PA*



**GLOBAL**  
**METHODIST CHURCH**

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Worship Services: 9:30 a.m.

Sunday School: 10:45 a.m.

**Rev. Gloria A. Jun, Pastor**

**November 26, 2023**

***Our mission is to share Christ with the world through worship,  
service and witness.***

## THE DIVINE EXCHANGE

1. Jesus was punished...  
**...that I might be forgiven. (Isaiah 53:4)**
2. Jesus was wounded...  
**...that I might be healed. (Isaiah 53:5; Matthew 8:16-17; 1Peter 2:24)**
3. Jesus was made sin with our sinfulness...  
**...that I might be made righteous with His righteousness (2Corinthians 5:21)**
4. Jesus died our death...  
**...that I might receive His life (Hebrews2:9).**
5. Jesus was made a curse...  
**...that I might enter into the blessing (Galatians 3:13)**
6. Jesus endured our poverty...  
**...that I might share His abundance (2Corinthians 8:9).**
7. Jesus bore our shame...  
**...that I might share His glory (Hebrews 12:2)**
8. Jesus endured our rejection...  
**... that I might have His acceptance with the Father (Ephesians1:5-6).**
9. Jesus was cut off by death...  
**...that I might be joined to God eternally (Isaiah 53:8)**
10. Our old man was put to death in Him...  
**...that the new man might come to life in me (Colossians 3:9-10)**

## Christ the King Sunday

Prelude... *“Dreams of Thee”* by Barnum

Fred King, Jr., Accompanist

Welcome and Announcements

John Simpson, Worship Leader

\* Passing of the Peace

\* Ringing of the Bells

\* Litany of Christ’s Kingship:

Leader: We shout “Hallelujah” and worship our God, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit! One-in-three, three-in-one

**People: Hallelujah! Salvation belongs to our God, who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb.**

Leader: Amen! Praise and glory and wisdom and thanks and honor and power and strength be to our God forever and ever.

**People: Amen! You are the Lord, there is no other!**

Leader: The Lamb of God, Jesus, being in very nature God, who made us in his likeness did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage. Jesus made himself nothing, a humble servant, obedient to death, even death on a cross.

**People: Therefore, God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name.**

Leader: That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

**People: Jesus Christ is Lord! All glory to you, Father!**

Leader: In Christ, you are no longer foreigners and strangers, but fellow citizens with God’s people and also members of his household, built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the chief cornerstone.

**People: We are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God’s special possession, that we may declare the praises of him who called us out of darkness into his wonderful light.**

Leader: Once you were not a people, but now you are the people of God; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

**People: Hallelujah! Amen. Come, Holy Spirit! Build your Church!**

Leader: Jesus Christ is the cornerstone; the firm foundation on which we stand!

**People: Hallelujah! Amen. Come, Holy Spirit! Build your Church!**

Leader: Baptized by water and filled with the Holy Spirit and fire, the gates of hell will not overpower it!

**People: Hallelujah! Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.**

\* Hymn of Praise #431 (Hymnal)

*“Let There Be Peace on Earth”*

Prayer Moment:

Nancy Zerbe

Prayers and Praises of the People

After the Joys we say, “Thanks be to God”

After the Concerns we say, “In the Name of Jesus”, Amen.

The Divine Exchange (in the front of the bulletin)

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord’s Prayer

Rev. Gloria A. Jun, Pastor

Leader: Let us pray. Have mercy on us, Lord Jesus.

**People: Your Kingdom come, your will be done.**

Leader: Jesus, you are the Prince of Peace. We pray for our world, that violence may cease to the ends of the earth and nations will not study war anymore.

*Silence for unspoken prayer requests.*

Leader: Have mercy on us, Lord Jesus

**People: Your Kingdom come, your will be done.**

Leader: Jesus, you are the Wonderful Counselor. We pray for our nation. Guide our leaders with your holy wisdom so that peace, justice and righteousness rule in our land for the good of all. *(Silence)*

Have mercy on us, Lord Jesus.

**People: Your Kingdom come, your will be done.**

Leader: Jesus, you are Healer and Redeemer. We pray for those in our congregation and community that need your healing touch—physically, mentally, and spiritually. We especially lift up *(insert names here before silence)*

Have mercy on us, Lord Jesus.

**People: Your Kingdom come, your will be done.**

Leader: Jesus, you are our Provider and the Bread of Life. We pray for the hungry, the naked, and those who are struggling to make ends meet. Fill them with good things and in your mercy do not send them away empty. Give us eyes to see and hearts of compassion to meet the needs of those around us. *(Silence)*

Have mercy on us, Lord Jesus.

**People: Your Kingdom come, your will be done.**

Leader: Jesus, you are the Way, the Truth, and the Life. We lift up those who are in prison, who are struggling with unemployment, and those who are suffering from addiction. Send your Holy Spirit to break chains of bondage and raise them up to new life in your Name. *(Silence)*

Have mercy on us, Lord Jesus.

**People: Your Kingdom come, your will be done.**

Leader: Jesus, you are King and Lord. We pray for ourselves today. Teach us to surrender any areas of our lives that are not fully yielded to your love and mercy. Reveal to us any sin, in thought, word and deed, that does not align with your will and free us to serve you in joyful obedience. *(Silence)*

Have mercy on us, Lord Jesus.

**People: Your Kingdom come, your will be done.**

Leader: We boldly ask all of these things in your name and pray as you taught us.

**Our Father....**

The Presentation of God's Tithes and Our Offerings .

The Offertory... "*Can You Hear Me?*" by Chilcott

\* Offertory Response #95 *"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"*

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

\* Prayer of Thanksgiving

Children's Message... "*The Parable of the Farmer and the Seeds*" Brandon Dempsey

\* Congregational Anthem #710 *"Faith of Our Fathers"*

Scripture Lesson – John 18:33-37 (NRSV) John Simpson, Worship Leader

Message... "" Rev. Gloria A. Jun, Pastor

\* Hymn of Dedication #261 vs. 1, 4, & 5 (Hymnal) *"Lord of the Dance"*

\* Benediction

\* Postlude... "*Inscription of Hope*" by Stroope

(\*Please stand, if able)

### **Memory Verses:**

**This Week:**

**Last Week:** "However, to the one who does not work but trusts God who justifies the ungodly, their faith is credited as righteousness." (NIV)

### **Lectionary Readings:**

**Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24**

**Psalm 100 (UMH 821)**

**Ephesians 1:15-23**

**Matthew 25:31-46**

<b>Ongoing Prayer Needs:</b>	<b>Janine Opfer</b>	<b>Greg Clark</b>
<b>Kathy Irely</b>	<b>Cheryl Sherbine</b>	<b>Darlene Fischer</b>
<b>Jane Jancisin</b>	<b>Carolyn Kalina</b>	<b>Marion Petrovay</b>
<b>Ron &amp; Linda Gongaware</b>	<b>Cora Jean Qualey</b>	<b>Abbey McCoy</b>
<b>Leona Hensler</b>	<b>Barb Petro</b>	<b>Jessie Roycroft</b>
<b>Barb Douglas</b>	<b>Pat Lydon</b>	<b>Joyce &amp; Rick Frischolz</b>

**Statistics:** Attendance last Sunday: 9:30 a.m. 48; Sunday School, 11

**Homebound:** Mrs. Carolyn Kalina, 13249 Lincoln Way, No. Huntingdon, PA 15642

**Birthday:** December 2 – Joyce Frischolz

**Received November 19, 2023**

<b>General Fund</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Received</b>	<b>Status</b>
<b>Last Week</b>	<b>\$ 3,505.00</b>	<b>\$ 2,502.10</b>	<b>-\$ 1,002.90</b>
<b>Year-to-date</b>	<b>\$ 164,735.00</b>	<b>\$ 124,693.37</b>	<b>-\$ 40,041.63</b>
<b>Building Fund</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Received</b>	<b>Status</b>
<b>Last Week</b>	<b>\$ 190.00</b>	<b>\$ 109.00</b>	<b>-\$ 81.00</b>
<b>Year-to-date</b>	<b>\$ 8,930.00</b>	<b>\$ 17,982.95</b>	<b>+\$ 9,052.95</b>

**This Week**

Sunday	We will begin to accept your Christmas cards. See information under Notes of Interest. Deadline to order Poinsettias. See the order form in the bulletin.
Monday	Prayer group, 6:30 p.m. Dartball is away playing Paintertown Lutheran, 7:00 p.m.
Thursday	
Saturday	We will decorate the church for Christmas at 10:00 a.m.

**Looking Ahead:**

December 3	First Sunday in Advent
December 9	Safe Drivers Class, 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Private use of the Fellowship Hall, 1:30-5:30 p.m.
December 10	Friends and Family Sunday Youth Group

**Notes of Interest:**

**Please Note:** We will be locking the front door around 9:45 a.m. on Sunday morning. If you need to leave and come back in, please let someone know so they can open the door for you.

**When making out your offering checks,** please make it payable to Circleville Church.

**Christmas Card Delivery:** We will once again have our Christmas card delivery. For those who are new to Circleville, you address your cards to members in the congregation and then the cards are hand delivered to that person for .25 per card. A list of current, active members will be provided. Cash or checks are accepted. Checks are to be made out to Circleville Church and in the memo line “Christmas Cards”. We will begin accepting cards on November 26<sup>th</sup> and delivery will begin on December 10<sup>th</sup> thru December 31<sup>st</sup>. Please remember, we do not mail any cards. Money received will go to the church roof.

**TOYS FOR TOTS:** There is a collection box in the narthex by the coatrack. Donations are for children newborn to 12 years old. Please place your **unwrapped** donations in the collection box. **Pick up will be the week of December 11.**

**The Food Pantry** – These are items still needed to keep the pantry full.

Items Needed	Items Needed
Velveeta Shells and Cheese	Peanut Butter
Chef Boyardee Pastas	Chicken Noodle or Rice soup
Jelly	Pop-Tarts
Lipton Rice or Noodle mixes	Ramen Noodles
Regular noodles	Salmon
Regular boxes of cereal	Spaghetti Noodles
Instant or regular rice	Canned Potatoes
Idaho Potato Mix	Tuna
Gravy	Instant Oatmeal – in packets
Noodles	Spaghetti Sauce
Applesauce	Tomato Soup
	Cream of Chicken soup

**ChangeForGood collection** next Sunday will be for Wreaths Across America.

## Band Meeting Questions

Each week Methodists would meet together in groups of three to five people of the same gender (known as bands), and ask each person the following four questions:

1. What known sins have you committed since our last meeting?
2. What temptations have you met with?
3. How were you delivered?
4. What have you thought, said, or done, of which you doubt whether it be sin or not?

## Class Meeting Questions

They also had small group meetings so-called class meeting consisted of 12 people with a series of questions.

1. Am I consciously or unconsciously creating the impression that I am better than I am? In other words, am I a hypocrite?
2. Am I honest in all my acts and words, or do I exaggerate?
3. Do I confidentially pass onto another what was told me in confidence? Can I be trusted?
4. Am I a slave to dress, friends, work, or habits?
5. Am I self-conscious, self-pitying, or self-justifying?
6. Did the Bible live in me today?
7. Do I give it time to speak to me every day?
8. Am I enjoying prayer?
9. When did I last speak to someone about my faith?
10. Do I pray about the money I spend?
11. Do I get to bed on time and get up on time?
12. Do I disobey God in anything?
13. Do I insist upon doing something about which my conscience is uneasy?
14. Am I defeated in any part of my life?
15. Am I jealous, impure, critical, irritable, touchy or distrustful?
16. How do I spend my spare time?
17. Am I proud?
18. Do I thank God that I am not as other people, especially as the Pharisee who despised the publican?
19. Is there anyone whom I fear, dislike, disown, criticize, hold resentment toward or disregard? If so, what am I going to do about it?
20. Do I grumble and complain constantly?
21. Is Christ real to me?

## GLOBAL METHODIST CHURCH'S BELIEFS & GOVERNANCE

There are nine parts: Doctrine, Social Witness, Local Church, The Ministry of the Called, The Superintendency, Conferences, Connectional Organization, Judicial Administration, Property. Each week we will review one part until finished. There is more detail in each of these sections, which can be found at <https://globalmethodist.org>



## PART THREE | LOCAL CHURCH

### 304. THE MINISTRY OF THE LAITY

God has entrusted His work in this world to the whole people of God. All Christians are called through their baptism to be in ministry to others, both as individuals and as a part of the church, using the gifts and graces with which they have been equipped by the Holy Spirit. Every layperson bears the responsibility for carrying out the Great Commission (Matthew 28:18-20), but likewise each have been given the power by God to do so. For like the variety of spiritual gifts described in the scriptures, the diversity of our outreach efforts knows no limit either when we serve Christ with joy and thanksgiving. With other heirs of the Protestant Reformation, we embrace the notion of “the priesthood of all believers” and we call upon both laity and clergy to work together in a partnership of servant hood. As suggested in Ephesians 4:12-13, Christ has not given to pastors the task of doing the ministry by themselves, but of equipping those in the church for such works of service, so that “the body of Christ may be built up until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ.”

We believe that it is only as each individual, whether lay or clergy, bears witness to God’s grace that the world may come to know Christ and respond to His invitation to have life in abundance. Each member is therefore expected to be a witness for Christ in the world, a light and leaven in society, and a reconciler in a culture of conflict, identifying with the agony and suffering of the world and radiating and exemplifying the Christ of hope. As the people of God, we must either win the world to Christ, or abandon it to those forces that oppose Him. Beyond the diverse forms of ministry is this ultimate concern: that all persons will be brought into a saving relationship with God through Jesus Christ and be renewed after the image of their creator (Colossians 3:10). This means that all Christians are called to minister wherever Christ would have them serve and witness in deeds and words that heal and free. Toward that end, the full participation of all who believe is vital and cannot be evaded if the gospel is to be heard and received.

# Message of Salvation

*Are you saved?*

*Are you confident that you would go to heaven if you die at this moment?*

*Here is the good news for you.*

## **Everyone dies because of sin, and after that ...**

You will die someday because of sin. You cannot avoid death, and death is not the end, but the beginning of an eternal life. What's important is where and how you will live eternally. With eternal happiness in heaven or eternal suffering in hell? If you deal with your sin, you can enter the heaven and live there eternally. How?

## **Jesus Christ has redeemed your sin.**

Jesus Christ, the Son of God, came to this world and bore the cross shedding his blood to redeem your sin and triumphed in his resurrection. Through his sacrifice, Christ paid off your sin and purchased a place for you in heaven, which he offers as a free gift.

## **If you want for your sins to be forgiven and to be saved ...**

1. Accept Christ's invitation by repenting your sins by asking,  
"Lord, I repent of all my sins. Please forgive all of my iniquities I have committed, and lead me to your kingdom."
2. Confess, "Jesus Christ is my Savior," by praying,  
"Lord, I confess that You are my Savior who can deliver me from the eternal damnation of sin and death. Come into my heart and be my master for my entire life."
3. Rejoice, you are forgiven and given an eternal life without condemnation.
4. Congratulations! You become a child of God and a citizen of Heaven.

## **What's next?**

1. Read the Bible, the Word of God, in which you will find Truth and Peace.
2. Join a local church where you will grow in faith
3. Do good works as much as you can. Sharing God's love for others is a form of worship.

If you, having read this, trusted Jesus for eternal salvation, please let us know. We would like to help you to grow spiritually.

Please contact Pastor Gloria Jun at 724-864-1581 or 410-302-4477.

## **Sermon Notes:**

Scripture – Romans 4:5 (NIV)

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