

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

January 7, 2024

***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 (2 Corinthians 5:21)
4. Jesus died our death...
...that I might receive His life (Hebrews 2:9).
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 (2 Corinthians 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 (Ephesians 1:5-6).
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)

***Indicates for you to stand if able**

Epiphany Sunday
Service of Holy Communion

Prelude... *"I'll Walk with God"* by Webster, Brodsky

Fred King, Jr., Accompanist

Welcome and Announcements

Nancy Goodish, Worship Leader

* Passing of the Peace

* Ringing of the Bells

* Call to Worship:

Leader: Everything that lives is imbued with the spark of God's divine creativity.

People: How majestic is God's name in all the earth!

Leader: The sovereign Spirit of life breathes hope into us to fulfill new possibilities, dreams, and visions.

People: How majestic is God's name in all the earth!

Leader: The creator of all empowers us with love so strong it can silence the voices of fear and vengeance.

People: How majestic is God's name in all the earth!

Leader: May God shine through us like stars of promise, crowning us with the glory of your light.

People: How majestic is God's name in all the earth!

* The Holy Invocation

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* Hymn of Praise #204 sung twice (Hymnal)

"Emmanuel, Emmanuel"

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

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Pastor Jun & Congregation

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

The Presentation of God's Tithes and Our Offerings and ChangeForGood

The Offertory... *“Somebody Bigger Than You and I”* by Lange, Heath and Burke

- * 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... *“God Sends the Holy Spirit”*
(Saddleback Kids)

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Congregational Anthem #393, sung twice, Hymnal
God”

“Spirit of the Living

Scripture Lesson - John 4:19-24 (NIV)

Nancy Goodish, Worship Leader

Message... *“God is Spirit”*

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Service of Holy Communion – The congregation will be invited to the altar

Great Thanksgiving: Pages 15-16 (Hymnal)

Communion song #640 – *“Take Our Bread”* (Hymnal)

(Song will be sung as we share the elements)

- * Hymn of Dedication #635

“Because Thou Hast Said”

- * Benediction

- * Postlude... *“Angels We Have Heard on High”* (Traditional)

Memory Verses:

This Week: “God is spirit, and his worshippers must worship in the Spirit and in truth.” John 4:24 (NIV)

Last Week: “Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful.” Hebrews 10:23 (NIV)

Lectionary Readings:

Genesis 1:1-5

Psalm 29 (Hymnal 761)

Acts 19:1-7

Mark 1:4-11

Ongoing Prayer Needs:	Barb & George Petro	Cora Jean Qualey
Kathy Irey	Pat Lydon	Jessie Roycroft
Jane Jancisin	Greg Clark	Joyce & Rick Frischolz
Barb Douglas	Abbey McCoy	

Statistics: Attendance last Sunday: 9:30 a.m. 38; Sunday School, 9.

Homebound: Mr. and Mrs. George Petro, 11291 Joseph Street, No. Huntingdon, PA 15642

Received December 31, 2023 –

General Fund	Budget	Received	Status
Last Week	\$ 3,505.00	\$ 2,551.00	-\$ 954.00
Year-to-date	\$ 185,765.00	\$ 145,057.12	-\$ 40,707.88
Building Fund	Budget	Received	Status
Last Week	\$ 190.00	\$ 300.00	+\$ 110.00
Year-to-date	\$ 10,070.00	\$ 19,132.65	+\$ 9,062.65

This Week

Sunday	Epiphany Sunday Service of Holy Communion ChangeForGood collection – See Notes of Interest
Monday	Prayer Group, 6:30 p.m. Dartball is home, playing Norwin Alliance, 7:00 p.m.
Tues., Wed., Thurs.	Morning prayers with Pastor Jun, 6-7 a.m.
Saturday	AA meeting, 8:00 p.m.

Looking Ahead:

January 14	Sunday morning prayers, 8:30-9:00 a.m. Friends, Family & Cell Group Youth will meet after worship service.
January 16	Church Council meeting, 7:00 p.m.
January 21	Hoagie orders due.
January 25	Girl Scouts, 6-6:15 p.m.
January 28	We will make hoagies at 7:00 a.m. Pick up hoagies.

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.

Please check the table for any Christmas cards that may be yours.

January ChangeForGood is for the Kenya Provisional Annual Conference. Allegheny West is looking to approve at their conference council that they are our Conference Mission Partnership.

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

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

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

311. DEFINITION OF MEMBERSHIP

The membership of a local Global Methodist church shall include all people who have been baptized and all people who have professed their faith.

1. The baptized membership of a local church shall include all baptized people who have received Christian baptism in the local congregation or elsewhere, or whose membership has been transferred to the local church subsequent to baptism in some other congregation.
2. The professing membership of a local Global Methodist church shall include all baptized people who have come into membership by profession of faith through appropriate services of the baptismal covenant in the ritual or by transfer from other churches and who profess the vows of membership in ¶ 319.
3. For statistical purposes, church membership is equated to the number of people listed on the roll of professing members.
4. All baptized or professing members of any local Global Methodist congregation are members of the Global Methodist Church and members of the church universal.

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: John 4:19-24 (NIV)

¹⁹ “Sir,” the woman said, “I can see that you are a prophet. ²⁰ Our ancestors worshiped on this mountain, but you Jews claim that the place where we must worship is in Jerusalem.”

²¹ “Woman,” Jesus replied, “believe me, a time is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. ²² You Samaritans worship what you do not know; we worship what we do know, for salvation is from the Jews. ²³ Yet a time is coming and has now come when the true worshipers will worship the Father in the Spirit and in truth, for they are the kind of worshipers the Father seeks. ²⁴ God is spirit, and his worshipers must worship in the Spirit and in truth.”

Welcome to 2024!

Did you make your New Year's resolution?

As a part of the "new" Global Methodist Church we should strive to diligently seek God's direction for our outreach and growth. One way to do this is prayer. Prayer works. I have a little plaque that says "prayer changes things". I believe this, but what I have found is that prayer changes "me". It is my prayer that our churches' prayers will touch everyone in our church spilling out to our community.

In the bulletin every week I will have a "topic" for you to pray, hopefully daily, for the entire week. I will have the "topics, or focuses" for the month in the newsletter in case you miss a week at church. Included, I will have scripture that you can use as a prayer or direction.

The month of January our "focus" will be on self. Many try to begin to exercise their bodies in the new year (which is a good thing), and so we will exercise our prayer/spiritual life. February we will "focus" on our church needs.

Please let me know of anything you feel we need to pray for as a total church. Any questions or suggestions, please see me.

I'm truly excited to see where God leads us. His ways are so much grander than anything I could imagine!