

Circleville Church

of North Huntingdon, PA



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Worship Services: 9:30 a.m. Sunday School: 10:45 a.m.

Rev. Gloria A. Jun, Pastor March 24, 2024

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

THE DIVINE EXCHANGE

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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)
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*Indicates for you to stand if able

Palm Sunday

Prelude... "I Sing the Mighty Power of God" by Hayes

Mary Jane Clark, Organist

Introit... "Enter In"

Ladies' Ensemble

Palm Sunday Parade led by Olivia Jones

Welcome and Announcements

Scott Heckert, Worship Leader

- * Passing of the Peace
- * Ringing of the Bells
- * Call to Worship:

Leader: In joy, we gather this day.

People: Hosanna to Jesus, the Christ.

Leader: In remembrance, we gather this day.

People: Hosanna to the son of David.

Leader: In festive celebration and quiet reflection, we gather to worship and pray.

People: Hosanna to the Son of God.

* The Holy Invocation

Rev. Gloria A. Jun, Pastor

* Hymn of Praise #89 vs. 1, 2, & 4 (Hymnal)

"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

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

The Offertory... Variants on "Now the Green Blade Riseth" by Lau

* 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 Story of Easter... The Last Supper" (Saddleback Kids)
Brandon Dempsey

* Congregational Anthem #278 (Hymnal)

"Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"

Scripture Lesson – Matthew 6:16-18 (NIV)

Scott Heckert, Worship Leader

Message... "Upon Our Lord's Sermon on the Mount" (Wesley's sermon 27) Rev. Gloria A. Jun, Pastor

* Hymn of Dedication #473

"Lead Me, Lord"

- * Benediction
- * Postlude ... "Postlude in D" by Simper

Memory Verses:

This Week: "But when you fast, put oil on your head and wash your face, so that it will not be obvious to others that you are fasting, but only to your Father, who is unseen; and your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you." Matthew 6:17-18 (NIV)

Last Week: "When you give, do not let your left hand know what your right hand gives. Your giving should be in secret. Then your Father who sees in secret will reward you." Matthew 6:3-4 (NIV)

Lectionary Readings:

Mark 11:1-11
Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29 (Hymnal 839)
Isaiah 50:4-9a
Psalm 31:9-16 (Hymnal 764)
Philippians 2:5-11
Mark 14:1-15:47 or Mark 15:1-39 (40-47)

Ongoing Prayer Needs:	Barb & George Petro	Cora Jean Qualey
Kathy Irey	Greg Clark	Jessie Roycroft
Jane Jancisin	Abbey McCoy	Barb & Joe Douglas

Statistics: Attendance last Sunday: 9:30 a.m. 42; Sunday School, 9.

Homebound: Mrs. Jane Jancisin, 10552 Roseway Boulevard, North Huntingdon, PA 15642

Received March 17, 2024

General Fund	Budget	Received	Status
Last Week	\$ 3,300.00	\$ 1,676.00	-\$ 1,624.00
Year-to-date	\$ 36,300.00	\$ 25,471.00	-\$ 10,829.00
Building Fund	Budget	Received	Status
Last Week	\$ 190.00	\$ 85.00	-\$ 105.00
Year-to-date	\$ 2,090.00	\$ 1,354.00	-\$ 736.00

This Week

Sunday	Morning Prayers in the Sanctuary, 8:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.
	Prayer Group, 6:30 p.m.
Monday	Dartball is home, playing Lutheran Church of Our Saviour,
	7:00 p.m.
Wednesday	Norwin Community Mid-Week Lenten service every Wednesday during Lent at New Hope Presbyterian Church. Starts at 11:30 with a hymn sing, meditation at 12 noon and lunch available in the social hall at 12:30 p.m.
Tues., Wed., Thurs.	Morning prayers with Pastor Jun, 6:00-7:00 a.m.
Thursday	Maundy Thursday service, 7:00 p.m.
Friday	Good Friday the Walk of the Cross will start at Noon at First Presbyterian Church in Irwin. See the poster in the bulletin
Saturday	AA meeting, 8:00 p.m.

Looking Ahead:

March 31	Easter Sunday – A sunrise service will be held at Redstone on Lincoln Way starting at 6:45 a.m. No sunrise service at Circleville but regular worship service at 9:30 a.m.
April 7	Service of Holy Communion ChangeForGood – See Notes of Interest

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.

"A Faith Reaffirmation Class" (starting April thru June). This class is a pre-requisite for an evangelism course of study in the fall. You can take the class even if you are not interested in the evangelism course. It could possibly be run every other Sunday late afternoon (5:30-6:30 p.m.). We will use the book, "Boundless Love, Unfathomable Grace" by Bok Sup Cho. The cost is \$10.00. Please sign up by March 31st.

DIRECTORIES ARE HERE! Our new 2024 directories are available in the narthex. Please pick up yours at your convenience. When you pick up, please highlight your name so we know who we will need to contact or in the case of shut-ins deliver the directories. If you find a typo, please let Darlene know, and I will send out information on a list of corrections if needed. We hope these help our church family stay in touch and reach out to each other on a regular basis.

Our Christian love and sympathy to the family and friends of Pat Lydon who passed away on March 16, 2024.

ChangeForGood for April 7th is for the family in Jeannette whose lives were devastated by fire. The Father and four of his children were killed in the fire. His wife and two other children are in the hospital. The two children are in ICU. Please pray for this family.

The Food Pantry – These are items still needed to keep the pantry full. We desperately need canned fruit and spaghetti sauce (no spaghetti noodles). Thank you.

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

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

322. MEMBER INVOLVEMENT AND ACCOUNTABILITY

- 1. Each member is called to fulfill their vows of baptism and membership, being faithful by participating in the spiritual formation, worship, stewardship, and service opportunities each church provides. It is the responsibility of each congregation to establish and communicate clear expectations of their members who share in the partnership (koinonia) of the gospel (Philippians 1:5), and the responsibility of each member or partner to strive to meet those expectations.
- 2. The pastor is responsible for ensuring that members are cared for by implementing a discipleship process focused on helping members to "go on to perfection" by loving God with all of their heart, mind, soul, and strength, and by loving their neighbor as themselves. Pastors are

charged with equipping all the members of a congregation to be in ministry by meeting people at their point of need and offering them Jesus (Ephesians 4:11-13).

- 3. All members of the church are called into a loving accountability with one another. If a member neglects the membership vows, however, the congregation shall use every means of encouraging that member to return to an active faith and to lovingly restore them to the fellowship of the church (Matthew 18:15-17). Each local church shall establish a grace-filled process, approved by the presiding elder (district superintendent), to restore negligent members to full participation in the life of the church. Negligent members may be placed on an inactive roll by a two-thirds vote of the church council.
- 4. Members placed on the inactive roll may remain in that status for up to two years while every attempt is made to return them to active membership. Members on the inactive roll are suspended from serving on church committees or voting on church matters during that time. If an inactive member does not complete the restoration process or show evidence of desiring to return to a more active status after two years, then the charge conference, with the recommendation of the pastor, may remove the member by a two-thirds vote.
- 5. Upon the approval of the charge conference congregations may require that individuals' membership be intentionally renewed on a yearly basis. In such churches, congregants who do not choose to renew their commitment may be placed on the inactive roll of the church (¶ 320.3-4) for up to two years, after which the charge conference may, with the recommendation of the pastor, remove their names from the membership roll by a two-thirds vote.

The month of March will be focusing on our church's mission statement.

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

As you know we are in the Lenten season. Two definitions for Lent are: it is a time for fasting (remembering Jesus' 40 days in the wilderness) and preparation and an opportunity to go deeper with God.

May we use this season to "go deeper" with God, individually and as a church - our church

Week of March 24 Holy Week

"The word "holy" has four distinct meanings in the Bible. It can mean to be set apart, perfect, pure, or filled with power. It can also mean to be adored, revered, or feared." (The Holman Bible Dictionary). I think it fits for what we feel this week. For followers of Jesus this week, they probably felt incredibly joy as they entered Jerusalem with a celebration high and shortly after the most unthinkable low. We know the end of the story, but many don't. Pray for all who are not saved. They are missing on the blessings of worshiping the living God! Don't forget to share your faith.

<u>Mark 16:15</u> (ESV)And he said to them, "Go into all the world and proclaim the gospel to the whole creation."

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: Matthew 6:16-18 (NIV)

¹⁶ "When you fast, do not look somber as the hypocrites do, for they disfigure their faces to show others they are fasting. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward in full. ¹⁷ But when you fast, put oil on your head and wash your face, ¹⁸ so that it will not be obvious to others that you are fasting, but only to your Father, who is unseen; and your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you.