

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

April 28, 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**

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Prelude... “*Why We Sing*” by Gilpin

Fred King, Jr., Accompanist

Welcome and Announcements

John Simpson, Worship Leader

* Passing of the Peace

* Ringing of the Bells

* Call to Worship:

Leader: As members of Christ’s tree of life,

People: we are connected, in love, to God.

Leader: As members of Christ’s tree of life,

People: we are connected, in love, to one another.

Leader: As members of Christ’s tree of life,

People: we strengthen our connection through worship.

* The Holy Invocation

Rev. Gloria A. Jun, Pastor

* Hymn of Praise #100 vs. 1, 2, & 3 (Hymnal)

“God, Whose Love Is Reigning o’er Us”

* The Divine Exchange (in your bulletin)

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.

Stewardship Moment – Bruce Kuk

The Presentation of God’s Tithes and Our Offerings

The Offertory... “*The First Thing I Do Every Morning*” by Merrill and Ballantine

* 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 Two Builders"* (Saddleback Kids)
Brandon Dempsey

- * Congregational Anthem #348 vs. 1, 2, & 4 *"Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling"*
- Scripture Lesson –Romans 6:23 (NIV) John Simpson, Worship Leader
- Message... *"God's Mercy Upon Our Sin"* Rev. Gloria A. Jun, Pastor
- * Hymn of Dedication #349 (sung twice) *"Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus"*
- * Postlude... *"You and I Can Change the World"* by Miller

Memory Verses:

This Week: "For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord." Romans 6:23 (NIV)

Last Week: "This is how we know what love is: Jesus Christ laid down his life for us. And we ought to lay down our lives for our brothers and sisters." 1 John 3:16 (NIV)

Lectionary Readings:

Acts 8:26-40
Psalm 22:25-31 (Hymnal 752)
1 John 4:7-21
John 15: 1-8

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

Statistics: Attendance last Sunday: 9:30 a.m. 48; Sunday School, 7

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

Birthdays: **May 3,** Nancy Zerbe; **May 4,** Grace Lee and Karen Thompson

Received April 21, 2024

General Fund	Budget	Received	Status
Last Week	\$ 3,300.00	\$ 2,287.00	-\$ 1,013.00
Year-to-date	\$ 52,800.00	\$ 51,122.85	-\$ 1,677.15
Building Fund	Budget	Received	Status
Last Week	\$ 190.00	\$ 110.00	-\$ 80.00
Year-to-date	\$ 3,040.00	\$ 1,804.00	-\$ 1,236.00

This Week

Sunday	Morning Prayers in the Sanctuary, 8:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. A Faith Reaffirmation class at 5:30 p.m. in the Library.
Monday	Prayer Group, 6:30 p.m.
Thursday	National Day of Prayer
Friday	Escape Room – see the poster in the bulletin.
Saturday	AA meeting, 8:00 p.m.

Looking Ahead:

May 5	Service of Holy Communion ChangeForGood – Miracle Offering at Annual Conference 2024. See information in the bulletin and newsletter. Commitment cards to be returned.
May 10	Covered-dish dinner and game night, 6:00 p.m. See the sign-up sheet. Church will provide the main course and drinks, we ask everyone else to bring a dish to share.
May 12	Mother’s Day Friends and Family Day Hoagie orders are due.
May 19	Pick up hoagies
May 21	Church Council, 7:00 p.m.
May 22-25	Allegheny West Provisional Annual Conference at Mr. Vernon Nazarene University in Mt. Vernon, Ohio. Pray for Pastor Jun, Phyllis Dempsey and Nancy Zerbe who will be attending.

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.

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.

Would you like to share your testimony? In the months of June, September and December, we are asking anyone who would like to share their testimony on the fifth Sunday of those months, to use the sign-up sheet on the table in the narthex.

National Child Abuse Prevention Month

Did you know that April is National Child Abuse Prevention Month? As society changes, so do the dangers to our children. Ministry Safe is offering to EVERYONE (not just members of our church but even to non-believers) a 1 hour informational video of the problems today's children face in society - stranger danger isn't the most common abuse! This free video should be watched by anyone who is around children, wants to help protect children, or simply wants to better understand the dangers children and youth face today. Please watch this video and share this with your family, friends, and neighbors. <https://ministrysafe.com/April/> If you have any questions please contact Darlene 724-309-4277. I will be happy to assist you in viewing this video.

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 needed
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

327. OUTSIDE OF CONGREGATIONAL SETTINGS

Any candidate for church membership who for good reason is unable to appear before the congregation may, at the discretion of the pastor, be received elsewhere in accordance with the rituals of our church. In any such case lay members should be present to represent the congregation. Names of such persons shall be placed on the church roll, and announcement of their reception shall be made to the congregation.

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 6:23 (NIV)

“For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.”

May's ChangeForGood Offering:

Miracle Offering – Annual Conference 2024

A Message from President Pro-Tempore Rev. Jeff Greenway

The Miracle Offering goal for 2024 is \$150,000. Funds will go toward meeting some immediate needs related to our Annual Conference Mission Partnership with the Kenya-Ethiopia Conference. Rev. Wilton Odongo, the President Pro-Tempore, and his leadership have a pressing need for the following:

- 6 motorcycles—these will be used by the Presiding Elders to itinerate in their circuits. The cost of each motorcycle is \$1,500 for a total of \$9,000
- 1 used SUV vehicle to be used by the President Pro Tempore to give him dependable transportation as he itinerates across the country. Persons familiar with Kenya testify this is an absolute necessity. The cost for a used SUV is estimated to be \$35,000.
- Provide the mandatory classes in Global Methodist History, Polity, and Doctrine that 50 pastors in Kenya need to take before they can be ordained next year. The total estimated cost of providing the class for 50 clergy (which includes transportation, tuition, books, lodging, food, and registering the school with the country of Kenya) is \$50,000.

Our Kenya-Ethiopia Mission Partnership Team would also like to develop an escrow of at least \$50,000 to help bridge the gap of needs until we can build the partnership between the circuits in Allegheny West and Kenya-Ethiopia.

The **Miracle Offering Goal is \$150,000**. I believe this is attainable. I've already been informed by three small churches that they've raised enough to pay for a motorcycle each. Another church I know designated 100% of their Easter offering for the Miracle Offering. Another church collected coins during Lent to help pay for a motorcycle. I know of a small group that's decided to provide at least \$300 to help pay for a pastor's education. Amazing!

God bless you in advance for your generosity!