# Circleville Church

## of North Huntingdon, PA



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Rev. Gloria A. Jun, Pastor August 25, 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

## Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude... "Nearer, My God, to Thee" Mason

Mary Jane Clark, Organist

Welcome and Announcements

Nancy Goodish, Worship Leader

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

Leader: God is our sun and our shield.
People: God's glory shines upon us.
Leader: God is our strength and our hope.
People: God's faithfulness guides us.
Leader: God is our hope and our salvation.
People: God's love and mercy welcome us.

\* The Holy Invocation

Rev. Gloria A. Jun, Pastor

\* Hymn of Praise #144 (Hymnal)

"This Is My Father's World"

The Divine Exchange (Page 2 of bulletin)

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

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... "Beyond the Sunset" by Brock

\* 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.

<sup>\*</sup> Prayer of Thanksgiving

## Children's Message... "Jesus and the Woman at the Well" (Saddleback Kids) **Brandon Dempsey**

Scripture Lesson – Esther 4:10-17 (NKJV)

Nancy Goodish, Worship Leader

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

\* Hymn of Dedication #171 (Hymnal)

"There's Something About That Name" "His Name Is Wonderful"

#174 (Hymnal)

#354 vs. 1, 2, 4, & 5 (Hymnal)

"I Surrender All"

## **Memory Verses:**

This Week: "...And so I will go to the king, which is against the law; and if I perish, I perish!" Esther 4:16 (NKJV)

**Last Week:** "Looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of *our* faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God." Hebrews 12:2 (NKJV)

## **Lectionary Readings:**

1 Kings 8:(1, 6, 10-11) 22-30, 41-43 Psalm 84 (Hymnal 804) Ephesians 6:10-20 John 6:56-69

<b>Ongoing Prayer Needs:</b>	<b>George Petro</b>	Barb & Joe Douglas
Kathy Irey	Greg Clark	
Jane Jancisin	Cora Jean Qualey	
Rick Frischolz	Jessie Roycroft	

Statistics: Attendance last Sunday: 9:30 a.m., 33; Sunday School, No Sunday School

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

<sup>\*</sup> Benediction

<sup>\*</sup> Postlude... "Brighten the Corner Where You Are" by Gabriel

Received August 18, 2024

<b>General Fund</b>	Budget	Received	Status
Last Week	\$ 3,300.00	\$ 1,698.00	-\$ 1,602.00
Year-to-date	\$ 108,900.00	\$ 93,606.16	-\$ 15,293.84
<b>Building Fund</b>	Budget	Received	Status
Last Week	\$ 190.00	\$ 110.00	-\$ 80.00
Year-to-date	\$ 6,270.00	\$ 3,796.00	-\$ 2,474.00

## This Week

Monday	Prayer Group, 6:30 p.m.
Friday	Escape Room – If you want to sign-up, call Phyllis, 412-913-3431
Saturday	AA meeting, 8:00 p.m.

**Looking Ahead:** 

September 1	Communion ChangeForGood
September 2	Labor Day – Office closed
September 8	Friends and Family
September 15	Hoagie orders are due.
September 17	Church Council meeting, 7:00 p.m.
September 22	Delivery of 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.

"Our Daily Bread" devotional is in the rack by the greeters' stand. It is for three months. Please take a copy and let Pastor Jun or the office know how you like it. The Upper Room has arrived for July/August. It is also in the rack by Our Daily Bread.

#### T-shirts are here!

We have ordered and received some fantastic t-shirts that we hope will help the community know we are here. Anytime you are serving at a Church event (like Flea Market or Strawberry Festival) where non-members are attending, we would like for you to wear this shirt so people can identify us and ask any questions they have. They also can be worn anytime you are not at the church so that you can witness to people.

The cost of the t-shirts has been covered, so please pick up one on the table by the entrance. If you would like to help defer the costs of the shirts, please include an additional offering in with your general fund offering. We got an amazing deal on these shirts - all sizes were under \$15.

If we run out of shirts, we will be able to place another order later this year as long as we order 24 additional items. These could be long sleeve shirts, hoodies, the same shirts, or a variety

of other options. If you have an interest in placing an order please see Marion. Let's plaster the community with our shirts!

**Prayer Chain e-mail:** After office hours and on the weekends, please send your e-mail prayer requests to Grace's e-mail, iluvlucy57@hotmail.com

**40 Day Prayer Guide** is on the long table in the narthex. Please take a copy.

**Kathy Irey** would like to thank everyone for their indispensable prayers (keep them coming), visits, phone calls, emails, shopping, and yummy food. She has one question. Has Circleville ever considered opening a catering business? Also, Kathy brought back the containers she received food in. The containers are on the shelf above the coat rack.

## Food Pantry items that are needed. Please no spaghetti noodles.

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	Pastas (Ziti, macaroni,
		Rotini etc.)
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 of sections, which each these found more detail in can be at https://globalmethodist.org

## PART THREE | LOCAL CHURCH

## 343. THE CHURCH COUNCIL

- 1. **The church council**, or its equivalent governing body, shall provide for planning and implementing a ministry of evangelizing and spreading scriptural holiness through nurture, outreach, witness, and resources in the local church. It shall also provide for the administration of its organization and temporal life. It shall envision, plan, implement, and annually evaluate the mission and ministry of the church. The church council shall be amenable to and function as the administrative agency of the charge conference.
- 2. **Mission and Ministry**—Nurture, outreach, and witness ministries and their accompanying responsibilities include:
- a) The nurturing ministries of the congregation shall give attention to but not be limited to education, worship, Christian formation, membership care, small groups, and stewardship. Attention must be given to the needs of individuals and families of all ages.
- b) The outreach ministries of the church shall give attention to local and larger community ministries of compassion, justice, and advocacy.

- c) The witness ministries of the church shall give attention to developing and strengthening evangelistic efforts of sharing personal and congregational stories of Christian experience, faith, and service; communications; certified lay ministers; and other means that give expressions of witness for Jesus Christ.
- d) The leadership development and resourcing ministries shall give attention to the ongoing preparation and development of lay and clergy leaders for the ministry of the church.

## 3. Meetings

- a) The council shall meet at least quarterly. The chairperson or the pastor may call special meetings.
- b) It is recommended that the council make decisions by trying to achieve a consensus driven by the Holy Spirit. If, in the opinion of the chair, a consensus cannot be achieved, then the Council may make a decision by voting with a simple majority as the standard.
- 4. Other Responsibilities—It will also be the responsibility of the church council to:
- a) Review the membership of the local church;
- b) Fill interim vacancies occurring among the lay officers of the church between sessions of the annual charge conference;
- c) Establish the budget on recommendation of the Finance Committee or its equivalent body and ensure adequate provision for the financial needs of the church;
- d) Recommend to the charge conference the salary and other remuneration of the pastor(s) and staff members after receiving recommendations from the Pastor-Parish (or Staff-Parish) Relations Committee or its equivalent body;
- e) Review the recommendation of the Pastor-Parish Relations Committee regarding provision of adequate housing for the pastor(s), and report the same to the charge conference for approval. Housing provisions shall comply with the annual conference housing policy and parsonage standards. Housing shall not be considered as part of compensation or remuneration except to the extent provided for in denominational pension and benefit plans.
- 5. **Membership**—The charge conference will determine the size of the church council. Members of the church council shall be involved in the mission and ministry of the congregation. The membership of the council may consist of as few as eight persons or as many as the charge conference deems appropriate. The membership shall include but not be limited to the chairs of the committees responsible for pastor-parish relations, the finances of the church, the management of the church's properties and assets, the lay leader, the lay member(s) of the annual conference, and all appointed clergy.
- 6. **Quorum**—The members present and voting at any duly announced meeting shall constitute a quorum.

## **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:**

<sup>10</sup> Then Esther spoke to Hathach, and gave him a command for Mordecai: <sup>11</sup> "All the king's servants and the people of the king's provinces know that any man or woman who goes into the inner court to the king, who has not been called, *he has* but one law: put *all* to death, except the one to whom the king holds out the golden scepter, that he may live. Yet I myself have not been called to go in to the king these thirty days." <sup>12</sup> So they told Mordecai Esther's words.

<sup>13</sup> And Mordecai told *them* to answer Esther: "Do not think in your heart that you will escape in the king's palace any more than all the other Jews. <sup>14</sup> For if you remain completely silent at this time, relief and deliverance will arise for the Jews from another place, but you and your father's house will perish. Yet who knows whether you have come to the kingdom for *such* a time as this?"

<sup>15</sup> Then Esther told *them* to reply to Mordecai: <sup>16</sup> "Go, gather all the Jews who are present in <sup>[a]</sup>Shushan, and fast for me; neither eat nor drink for three days, night or day. My maids and I will fast likewise. And so I will go to the king, which *is* against the law; and if I perish, I perish!"

<sup>17</sup> So Mordecai went his way and did according to all that Esther commanded <sup>[b]</sup>him.