# 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 November 10, 2024

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

### THE CONFIDENT DECLARATION OF THE DIVINE EXCHANGE

1. Jesus was punished... ... that I am forgiven. (Isaiah 53:5) 2. Jesus was wounded... ... that I am healed. (Isaiah 53:5) 3. Jesus was made sin with our sinfulness... ... that I have been made righteous with His righteousness (2 Corinthians 5:21, Philippians 3:9) 4. Jesus died our death... ... that we share His life (Hebrews 2:9, John 10:10) **5.** Jesus was made a curse... ... that I have entered into spiritual blessings (Galatians 3:13) 6. Jesus became poor on our behalf... ... that I have become rich (2 Corinthians 8:9, John 10:10) 7. Jesus bore our shame... ... that I share His glory (Hebrews 12:2) 8. Jesus endured our rejection... ... that I have His acceptance (Ephesians 1:5-6) 9. Our old self died in Jesus...

... that I have become a new creation (Colossians 3:-10)

Sunday, November 10, 2024

9:30 A.M. Worship Service

#### **Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost**

Prelude... "I Would Be True" by Walter/Peek "Immortal, Invisible" by Smith

Fred King, Jr., Accompanist

Welcome and Announcements

Scott Heckert, Worship Leader

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

Leader: Unless the Lord builds the house, the builders labor in vain.

People: Build us into a spiritual house, O God, and we will be a holy people.

Leader: Unless the Lord guards the city, the guards keep watch in vain.

People: Guard our hearts and minds, that we may walk in your ways.

Leader: Unless the Lord is the center of our worship, our words and praise are in vain.

People: Here and now Holy One, may we taste eternity.

- \* The Holy Invocation
- \* Hymn of Praise #62 vs. 1 & 5 (Hymnal)

"All Creatures of Our God and King"

Praises and Prayers

(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... "In the Cross of Christ I Glory" by Bowring/Conkey

\*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 (Saddleback Kids) Brandon Dempsey

Scripture...Hebrews 4:12 (NKJV)

Scott Heckert, Worship Leader

Message... "Living Word of God"

Rev. Gloria A. Jun, Pastor

\* Hymn of Dedication #3145 (Worship & Song, green book) "Breath of God, Breath of Peace" Pastor Jun will sing the first verse. Congregation to join in on verse 2 and 3.

- \* Benediction
- \* Postlude... "Jesus is All the World to Me" by Thompson

#### **Memory Verses:**

**This Week:** "For the word of God *is* living and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the division of soul and spirit, and of joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart." Hebrews 4:12 (NKJV)

Last Week: "What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us?"

#### **Lectionary Readings:**

Ruth 3:1-5; 4:13-17 Psalm 127 or Psalm 42 (Hymnal 777) Hebrews 9:24-28 Mark 12:38-44

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

Statistics: Attendance last Sunday: 9:30 a.m., 46; Sunday School, 7.

Homebound: Mr. Glenn Neubert, 714 Ellsworth Avenue, Jeannette, PA 15644

Birthdays: November 10, Lori Dempsey

Anniversary: November 15, Jean and Russell Verbanec

#### Received November 3, 2024

General Fund	Budget	Received	Status
Last Week	\$ 3,300.00	\$ 3,957.00	+\$ 657.00
Year-to-date	\$ 141,900.00	\$ 118,621.12	-\$ 23,278.88
<b>Building Fund</b>	Budget	Received	Status
Last Week	\$ 190.00	\$ 245.00	- \$ 55.00
Year-to-date	\$ 8,170.00	\$ 5,306.00	-\$ 2,864.00

#### This Week

Sunday	Friends and Family Sunday
	Hoagie orders due.
	Last day to sign-up for Thanksgiving bags.
	After church: Christmas program rehearsal for all of those with
	speaking parts.
Monday	Veterans' Day
	Dartball is home, away Greensburg, 7:00 p.m.
	Prayer Group, 6:30 p.m.
Thursday	Girl Scouts, 5:30-7:30 p.m.
Saturday	AA meeting, 8:00 p.m.

**Looking Ahead:** 

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November 17	Make hoagies at 7:30 a.m. and distribute them.
	Distribute Thanksgiving bags.
	Poinsettia deadline
	Shoeboxes are due.
November 19	Church Council meeting, 7:00 p.m.
November 28	Happy Thanksgiving
November 29	Office closed.

#### **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.

**Thank you** to Darlene Simpson who cleaned the narthex carpeting and redid the bulletin board above the Welcome Desk. Good job!

**ChangeForGood** collection on November 3 was for the Shoebox Education called The Greatest Journey. We collected \$102.00

#### **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 <a href="https://globalmethodist.org">https://globalmethodist.org</a>

#### PART THREE | LOCAL C<u>HURCH</u>

#### 354. CONGREGATIONAL FIDELITY

Central to the integrity of both local congregations and the Global Methodist Church as a whole, the doctrines and discipline of the denomination as outlined in this Transitional Book of Doctrines and Discipline shall be voluntarily and joyfully embraced and practiced by all. Additionally, local congregations covenant to provide connectional funding as set forth in ¶ 349. Congregations that for reason of conscience find themselves unable to do so are accordingly encouraged to affiliate with another Christian denomination more in keeping with their beliefs or practices under the provisions of ¶ 903. Should a congregation consistently advance doctrines or engage in practices not in conformity with this Transitional Book of Doctrines and Discipline or fail to remit in full the connectional funding set forth in ¶ 349, the Transitional Leadership Council or its successor shall have the authority to effectuate such a change independently, provided that the following provisions are met:

- 1. If the current pastor of the congregation is promoting doctrines or practices contrary to those of the Global Methodist Church, the bishop shall remove the pastor and appoint a pastor who will promote and defend the doctrines and practices of the Global Methodist Church. The bishop shall then allow time for the new pastor to bring the congregation into conformity.
- 2. If step one proves unfruitful or the pastor is not contributing to the problem, the bishop and presiding elder (district superintendent) shall meet with the church council (or its equivalent) or a larger group of the congregation to identify areas of disagreement over Global Methodist Church doctrines or practices, seeking a resolution of such disagreements and restoration of conformity by the local church. The bishop shall winsomely defend and teach the doctrines and practices of the Global Methodist Church in such engagements.
- 3. If the local congregation fails to remit its connectional funding in full as calculated annually, the presiding elder (district superintendent) shall meet with the church council (or its equivalent) to encourage remittance.
- 4. If a resolution of the disagreement proves unattainable or the local church does not remit its connectional funding in full following the meeting with the presiding elder (district superintendent), the local church may be involuntarily disaffiliated from the Global Methodist Church by a two-thirds vote of the Transitional Leadership Council or its successor, by agreement of the bishop, and by an affirmative vote of the cabinet of the conference in which the local church is located.
- 5. The congregation shall receive timely written notice of the involuntary disaffiliation and may appeal the decision to the Connectional Council on Appeals within sixty days, providing whatever explanations or other details to support their case. During the pendency of any appeal, the involuntary disaffiliation shall be stayed. The determination of the Connectional Council on Appeals shall be final. If no appeal occurs or if the involuntary disaffiliation is affirmed on appeal, the disaffiliation shall take effect immediately.

#### Franklin Graham's Samaritans Purse Christmas Shoe Boxes:

The time has come, it's almost here to send some joy and some cheer.

Sunday, **November 17th** is the date to make sure you have all the shoe boxes to the church so we can deliver them to the distribution center.

Use your own shoe box or get one from the display in the Narthex.

Please make sure you have your completed (filled) shoe box(es) to the church by **November 17th.** 

#### **Important things to know:**

Put the tag on each box specifying the age and if it's for a boy or girl. (They are at church in the display if you don't have one.)

Make sure there are no items in the box that are listed in the "Do Not Include"

Include a donation of \$10 for each box you fill to pay for shipping.

You may also include an extra \$6.00 for The Greatest Journey. This is a 12-lesson discipleship course designed for Operation Christmas Child shoebox recipients.

Thank you in advance for being a part of this wonderful outreach project.

Please place all completed boxes under the table in the Narthex.

See the information in the newsletter or on the bulletin board of what to buy and how to pack your shoebox.

Nancy Zerbe

#### **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:**

Hebrews 4:12 (NKJV)

For the word of God *is* living and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the division of soul and spirit, and of joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.

#### <Prayers of God's Word>

Father, thank you for Your words in Scripture that grant us power, holiness, and transformation.

1. **Hebrews 4:12 speaks of** Your Word as living, active, and discerning, reaching the deepest parts of our being.

"For the word of God is alive and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart."

2. **Isaiah 55:11** emphasizes the effectiveness and purposefulness of God's Word—it accomplishes exactly what You intends.

"So is my word that goes out from my mouth: It will not return to me empty, but will accomplish what I desire and achieve the purpose for which I sent it."

Here, we see

3. **Psalm 119:105** describes Your Word as holy guidance, illuminating the path for believers.

"Your word is a lamp for my feet, a light on my path."

4. **2 Timothy 3:16-17 shows that the holiness and utility of Scripture** equip believers for a life of righteousness.

"All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work."

5. **Psalm 12:6** emphasizes the purity and holiness of Your Word, likening it to refined silver and gold.

"And the words of the Lord are flawless, like silver purified in a crucible, like gold refined seven times."

6. **Jeremiah 23:29** illustrates the power of Your Word, comparing it to fire and a hammer that can break even the hardest rock.

"'Is not my word like fire,' declares the Lord, 'and like a hammer that breaks a rock in pieces?'"

7. **Psalm 119:9** reminds us that God's Word is holy and guides us toward a life of purity.

"How can a young person stay on the path of purity? By living according to your word." This

8. **John 17:17 is part of Jesus' prayer for** believers, asking that they be sanctified by the truth of Your Word.

"Sanctify them by the truth; your word is truth."

9. **Matthew 24:35** highlights that Your Word stands forever. "Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will never pass away."

10. **Psalm 19:7-8** reveals the perfection and refreshing nature of Your Word, showing that it brings joy, wisdom, and light.

"The law of the Lord is perfect, refreshing the soul. The statutes of the Lord are trustworthy, making wise the simple. The precepts of the Lord are right, giving joy to the heart; the commands of the Lord are radiant, giving light to the eyes."

Lord, I desire to walk in Your Word, knowing it can make me powerful, holy, and transformed. I commit to reading and meditating on it daily trusting that Your Word works within me. Amen.

#### Circleville Cares Food Pantry News and Updates Thanksgiving

Thanksgiving is right around the corner, and we will be making up bags of food to distribute to people you may know that could benefit. Last year we distributed 14 bags. Below is a list of Thanksgiving items we need for the bags, plus what we normally need for the pantry.

Please see the sign-up sheet and let us know how many food bags you will need for Thanksgiving. If you are providing for a family, please indicate how many adults and how many children are in the family. The sign-up sheet is on the long table in the narthex. You are responsible for delivering the bags.

Last day to sign-up for Thanksgiving bags is today, November 10th. Bags will be distributed on Sunday, November 17th.

Just a note: The Food Pantry is filled every day. The next day it is empty. Your donations of food or money is very important. Thank you to all who donate.

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Velveeta Shells and Cheese	Instant Oatmeal – in packets	Stuffing
Chef Boyardee Pastas	Chicken Noodle or Rice soup	Idaho Potato Mix
Peanut Butter & Jelly	Pop-Tarts	Turkey Gravy
Lipton Rice /Noodle mixes	Ramen Noodles	Cranberries
Regular noodles	Salmon	Corn (not creamed)
Regular boxes of cereal	Canned Potatoes	Applesauce
Instant rice	Tuna	Tuna
Idaho Potato Mix	Spaghetti Sauce No spaghetti noodles or pastas	Green Beans
Gravy	Tomato Soup	Sweet Potatoes
Noodles	Cream of Chicken Soup	Spaghetti Sauce
Applesauce	Canned Fruits (no pears)	\$25 Aldi Gift Card
Canned Corn (no cream)		

### Christmas Poinsettias 2024 Circleville Church

We are ordering Poinsettias (all red) from Laurel Nursery Garden Center in Latrobe. Please include a check made payable to Circleville Church and put in the memo line "Poinsettias" or you may pay by cash. Flowers are \$10 each. Orders must be in by November 17<sup>th</sup>.

Please circle "in Memory of" or "in Honor of".

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