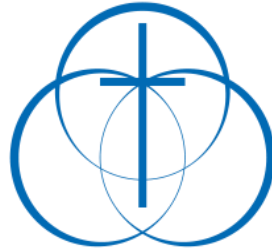


Circleville Church

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Worship Services: 9:30 a.m.

Sunday School: 10:45 a.m.

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December 22, 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)

(*Please stand, if able)

Sunday, December 22, 2024

9:30 A.M. Worship Service

Fourth Sunday in Advent - Love

Prelude... *“O Little Town of Bethlehem”* by Thygerson

Mary Jane Clark, Organist

Welcome and Announcements

John Simpson, Worship Leader

* Passing of the Peace

* Ringing of the Bells

* Lighting of the Fourth Candle of Advent

Ed Hines

This morning we light four candles, the candles of hope, peace and joy and today's candle - Love. This candle reminds us that God so loved the world that He sent His only son, so that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have life everlasting. Today we celebrate God's gift of love and remember that we have been commanded to love others as God loves us.

* Call to Worship:

Leader: Rejoice in the presence and love of Christ.

People: We rejoice in the one who lives in our hearts.

Leader: Rejoice, for Christ brings justice and peace to our world.

People: We rejoice in the one who calls us to justice and peace.

Leader: Rejoice with faith and hope.

People: We rejoice in the one whose promises are true.

* Hymn of Praise #234 (Hymnal)

“O Come, All Ye Faithful”

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... *“The Cradle Song”* by Scott

* 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

Scripture...Luke 1:39-45 (NKJV)

John Simpson, Worship Leader

Message... *“God’s Promise and Blessing Through Mary”*

* Hymn of Dedication #241 (Hymnal)

“That Boy-Child of Mary”

* Benediction

* Postlude... *“Hark! The Herald Angels Sing”* by Mendelssohn

Memory Verses:

This Week: *“For with God nothing will be impossible.”* Luke 1:37 (NKJV)

Last Week: *“In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.”* Genesis 1:1 (NKJV)

Lectionary Readings:

Micha 5:2-5a

Luke 1:46b-55 (UMH 199)

Hebrews 10:5-10

Luke 1:39-45 (46-55)

Ongoing Prayer Needs:	Greg Clark
Kathy Irey	Cora Jean Qualey
Jane Jancisin	Jessie Roycroft
Rick & Joyce Frischolz	

Statistics: Attendance last Sunday: 9:30 a.m., 62; Sunday School, 9

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

Birthdays: **December 22,** Ron Gongaware; **December 25,** Dutch Shick;
December 26, Carol Proctor

Received December 15, 2024

General Fund	Budget	Received	Status
Last Week	\$ 3,300.00	\$ 2,073.00	-\$ 1,227.00
Year-to-date	\$ 165,000.00	\$ 137,360.54	-\$ 27,639.46
Building Fund	Budget	Received	Status
Last Week	\$ 190.00	\$ 160.00	-\$ 30.00
Year-to-date	\$ 9,500.00	\$ 6,527.00	-\$ 2,973.00

This Week

Sunday	Fourth Sunday in Advent Christmas party following the worship service. Christmas cards are being collected. Place your cards in the box provided. See Notes of Interest.
Monday	No Prayer Group until January.
Tuesday	Christmas Eve service, 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday	Merry Christmas!
Saturday	AA's, 8:00 p.m.

Looking Ahead:

January 1	Happy New Year!
January 12	Undecorating the church.

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.

Christmas Card Delivery: We will once again have our Christmas card delivery. For our new church members, you address your cards to members in the congregation and then the cards are hand delivered to them for .25 cents per card. A list of current active members will be provided. **We do not mail any of the cards.**

The Christmas box is in the narthex where you can drop your cards. You may include your donation with the cards (the cards will be checked frequently) or you may place your donation in the offering plate in an envelope marked "Christmas Card Delivery" and your name. Checks can be made out to Circleville Church and mark in the memo line, "Christmas Cards".

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?

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.

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