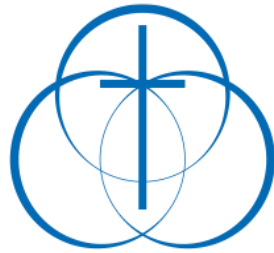


Circleville Church

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Worship Services: 9:30 a.m.

Sunday School: 10:45 a.m.

Rev. Gloria A. Jun, Pastor

March 23, 2025

***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, March 23, 2025

9:30 A.M. Worship Service

Third Sunday in Lent

Prelude... “*Near the Cross*” by Doane
“*The Old Rugged Cross*” by Thygeron

Mary Jane Clark, Organist

Welcome and Announcements

John Simpson, Worship Leader

* Passing of the Peace

As Paul addressed the church at Colosse – “To the Saints and faithful brethren in Christ who are here at Circleville: Grace to you and peace from God our Father. Let us share with one another signs of Christ’s peace.”

* Ringing of the Bells

* Call to Worship:

Leader: The earth is the Lord’s, and the fullness thereof;

People: the world, and they that dwell therein.

Leader: For He has founded it upon the seas,

People: and established it upon the floods.

Leader: Who shall ascend into the hills of the Lord?

People: or who shall stand in His holy place?

All: He that has clean hands, and a pure heart; who has not lifted up his soul unto vanity, nor sworn deceitfully.

* Opening Prayer #2164 (TFWS) (in unison)

“*Sanctuary*”

Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy, tried and true. With thanksgiving, I’ll be a living sanctuary for you.

* Hymn of Praise #64 (Hymnal)

“*Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty*”

Praises and Prayers – Nancy Zerbe

(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... “*Rock of Ages*” by Hastings

* 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 (in unison):
**Lord, may what we offer back to you, of what you have given to us, give you joy.
May it put a smile on Your face – King of Kings and Lord of Lords.
May our tithes and offering be acceptable in your sight.
We thank you and we love you Lord.**

Song of Invitation for Children #2233 (TFWS) *“Where Children Belong”*
**This, this is where children belong,
Welcomed as part of the worshipping throng.
Water, God’s Word, bread and cup, prayer, and song:
This is where children belong.**

Children’s Message... *“Josiah”* (Saddleback Kids) Brandon Dempsey

Anthem... *“How Great Thou Art”* Bell Ringers

Scripture... Hebrews 12:14, Exodus 15:11, Leviticus 19:2, Romans 12:1, 1 Peter 1:15-16,
Matthew 5:48 (See page 8)

Message... *“Scriptural Holiness”* Phyllis Dempsey, Lay Leader

* Hymn of Dedication #395 (Hymnal) *“Take Time to Be Holy”*

* Benediction (in unison):
**The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face to shine upon you, and be
gracious to you; the Lord lift up his countenance upon you, and give your peace. Amen.
Numbers 6:24-26)**

* Postlude... *“Send Forth, O God, Thy Light and Truth”* by Fink

Memory Verses:

This Week: The Divine Exchange

Last Week: “It is for freedom that Christ has set us free. Stand firm, then, and do not let yourselves be burdened again by a yoke of slavery.” Galatians 5:1 (NKJV)

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

Statistics: Attendance last Sunday: 9:30 a.m., 38; Sunday School, 2

Homebound: Ron and Linda Gongaware, 2422 O'Neil Blvd., White Oak, PA 15131

Received March 16, 2025

General Fund	Budget	Received	Status
Last Week	\$ 3,367.00	\$ 1,988.00	-\$ 1,379.00
Year-to-date	\$ 37,037.00	\$ 23,558.00	-\$ 13,479.00
Building Fund	Budget	Received	Status
Last Week	\$ 385.00	\$ 70.00	-\$ 315.00
Year-to-date	\$ 4,235.00	\$ 18,188.00	+\$ 13,953.00

This Week

Sunday	Worship Team meets every Sunday at 9:15 a.m. behind the sanctuary. Anyone wishing to make announcements should also meet at that time. Three & Four year old Sunday School following the worship service. Pick up hoagies
Monday	Prayer Group, 6:30 p.m. Dartball is home, playing Lutheran Church of Our Savior, 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday	Mid-Week Lenten service at New Hope Presbyterian Church, Lincoln Way, North Huntingdon, 11:30 a.m.
Thursday	Girl Scouts, 5:00-6:15 p.m.
Saturday	AA meeting, 8:00 p.m.

Looking Ahead:

March 29	Pastor Jun returns from Korea
April 5	Walk Thru the Bible, 9:00 a.m.
April 6	Communion ChangeForGood will be a donation for the Gideons

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 Food Pantry needs the following: Shells & Cheese, soups (all kinds), cereal, canned potatoes, pineapple, Mandarin oranges, jelly, peanut butter, tuna and **spaghetti sauce**. We **do not need canned vegetables**. We have so many cans, and people are not taking the vegetables.

Walk Thru the Bible sign-up sheet and registration forms are on the table in the narthex. The deadline has been extended.

March newsletter is on the gift table. Please take a copy and sign your name on the sheet provided.

IMPORTANT EMAIL CHANGE!!!! We have great news - the office computer that is on its last leg is being replaced within the next month! When this change occurs, we will no longer be using a United Methodist email. Please update your email address for Grace/office to circlevillechurchgmc@outlook.com This is the same email that you will see on our website and on the front of the weekly bulletin and newsletter.

WHO WOULD HAVE THOUGHT - We have come a long way. Think back to about 2 years ago when we made the decision to disaffiliate and found out the fees we would need to pay to disaffiliate. Logic seemed to say how can we? But God had other plans, and we were able to accomplish this. Soon thereafter we found that the roof of the parsonage needed replaced. Who would have thought we could take on this huge financial burden. But God knew. In 2024 we realized we desperately needed to repair all 3 sections of the church roof to the tune of over \$84,000! Who would have thought that was possible?! God did. Most recently we needed to raise the roof for the last \$18,900 needed to finish the repair. In just 42 days you raised over \$20,600! God is Good - All the time! All the time – God is Good. Who would have thought we could have done all of this, at a time when our membership decreased. But God knew that Circleville Church has good and faithful members and are great stewards of the gifts God gives us. When we called to schedule the final repair for the narthex roof, we found the \$18,900 estimate has increased dramatically. It is now over \$27,000. We will be moving forward with this repair. Your faithfulness especially in these last 2 years has shown that we need to trust that God will provide what we need to be able to continue our ministries here at Circleville. Please continue to pray for the remaining funds needed for this repair. Two years ago, who would have thought we could do what we have done to this point? God knew our hearts.

MEET OTHER GLOBAL METHODISTS AND BECOME RENEWED Annual Conference in 2024 was an amazing event. Those of us that attended left the conference feeling God's presence and on fire for spreading the Good News. Allegheny West Annual Conference 2025 will be held June 18-21. If you feel like you need to be renewed in your faith, there is no better way than to be a part of this Global Methodist movement. Many opportunities exist for you to participate. Over 300 servant volunteer time slots need to be filled to help keep things running smoothly for those delegates who represent us. Volunteer time slots are generally scheduled for 3-hour shifts.

Positions available are Registration/Check-in, First Aid, Golf Cart driver, Ambassador/Director, Greeter/Director, and Clearing Cafeteria tables (30-minute time slot). If you would like more information, reach out to Phyllis, John, or Darlene. If you are ready to sign up to help serve one day at Mount Vernon University in Mt. Vernon OH, go to the website and see what Annual Conference 2025 Start Planting is all about. <https://alleghenywestgmc.org/startplanting/>

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?

Sermon Notes:

Hebrews 12:14: "Make every effort to live in peace with everyone and to be holy"

Exodus 15:11 "Who is like you, O Lord, among the gods? Who is like you, majestic in holiness, awesome in glorious deeds, doing wonders?" Being distinct from the world

Leviticus 19:2

Speak to all the congregation of the people of Israel and say to them, "You shall be holy, for I the Lord your God am holy."

Leviticus 20:26

You shall be holy to me, for I the Lord am holy and have separated you from the peoples, that you should be mine

Romans 12:1

I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship.

1 Peter 1:15-16: "Be holy in all you do, just as God, the One who called you, is holy"

Matthew 5:48

You therefore must be perfect, as your heavenly Father is perfect.

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.